

YMCA AT VIRGINIA TECH

YTOSS TEAM APPLICATION



APPLYING TO JOIN OUR TEAM

Thank you for your interest in learning more about Ytoss and leadership opportunities within the YMCA at Virginia Tech. We are a cause for strengthening community, working tirelessly to nurture the potential of kids, improve the nation's health and well-being, and give back and support our neighbors. When you volunteer at the Y, you take an active role in bring about meaningful, enduring change right in your own neighborhood.

There is no other volunteer organization quite like the Y. That's because in 10,000 neighborhoods across the nation, we have the presence and partnership to not just promise, but deliver, lasting personal and social change. Each of our volunteers helps move people and communities forward, delivering the benefits of good health, strong connections, greater self-confidence and a sense of security to all who engage in our programs and services.

We hope you will consider joining our team and provide kids, adults, families and communities with the vital support and opportunities to learn, grow and thrive. Please review the application and position description attached to learn more about the benefits and responsibilities of being a member of the 2011-2012 Ytoss team.

After you complete and submit your application and required attachments, we will be contacted to arrange an interview with YMCA staff and Program Leaders so that we are able to answer your questions and provide you with an overview of Ytoss and review the responsibilities of the position you've applied for. Please contact Sheel Patel at sheelpatel@gmail.com if you have any questions during the application process. We look forward to reviewing your application and working together to build strong communities.

WHAT IS YTOSS?

Ytoss is a student-led sustainability program of the YMCA at Virginia Tech, and has been leading campus sustainability efforts since 2005. Our mission is to foster a culture of reduce, reuse and recycle at Virginia Tech, while generating resources to support outreach programs of the YMCA at Virginia Tech. We work with hundreds of dedicated volunteers from Virginia Tech, as well as the Blacksburg community, to collect gently-used items on campus during student move-out and coordinate an annual sale of these items during student move-in.

It's a simple process: Students donate their unwanted, gently-used items at one of our collection points around campus during move-out week in May. These items are cleaned, tested and stored over the summer. Items are then re-sold at a two-day sale on campus during the first two days of student move-in in August.

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TEAM POSITIONS:

- Sheel Patel and Allison Rizzetta, YMCA Program Leaders
- Sarah Hanks, Associate Director
- Denny Cochrane, Sustainability Program Manager
- Natalie Love, Volunteer Recruitment Chair
- Sponsorship Chair
- Off Campus Liaison
- Marketing Chair

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Name: _____ Male Female

Local Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Primary Phone No: _____ Date of Birth: _____ - _____ - _____

Email: _____ VT ID No: _____

Field of Study: _____ Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Ethnicity (optional): Caucasian African American Native American

Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic/Latino American Other: _____

As a member of the Ytoss team you will be responsible for the following:

- Commit approximately five hours per week to planning and preparing for Ytoss;
- Attend weekly Ytoss meetings, beginning in December 2011;
- Develop a plan to achieve specific goals and provide updates as needed to the team;
- Representing the Y and Ytoss professionally, supporting the goals and objectives of the team;
- Assume a leadership role and participate in Ytoss collections (finals week; May 2012);
- Assume a leadership role and participate in the annual Ytoss sale (week of move in; August 2012);
- Continue to be engaged and responsive during the summer months between collection and sale dates (this can be done electronically); and,
- Additional responsibilities, as needed, to accomplish successful Ytoss events during the 2011-2012 academic year.

POSITION DESCRIPTIONS:

Sponsorship Chair

Working in conjunction with the Associate Director, the Sponsorship Chair will research, write and submit grant applications, as well as seek corporate sponsorships – financial and other desired goods – in support of Ytoss. You will be responsible for writing grant proposals along with researching companies to help us gain sponsorships.

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Off-Campus Liaison

The Off-Campus Liaison will be responsible for creating and maintaining contact with apartment complexes and other businesses in order to coordinate partnerships to increase the collection of gently used items. This will include, but is not limited to drafting and presenting partnership agreements, managing relationships, communicating goals, outcomes and impact, as well as coordinating logistical details related collections off-campus.

Marketing Chair

The Marketing Chair will be responsible for the promotion of Ytoss, to include materials related to volunteer recruitment, collections and the annual. The Marketing Chair will be asked to develop a marketing and communications plan, and execute the elements of the plan throughout the year.

PERSONAL RESPONSES:

Please respond to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, limiting each response to no more 500 words:

1. How do you see your specific skill sets and talents applicable to your desired position on the Ytoss team? In addition, how do you believe your strengths contribute to the success and growth of Ytoss?

2. The Y has four core values – caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. These values guide our decisions, behaviors and serves as a common thread that unites our movement. If you were to add a fifth value, what would it be and why is it important to you?

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION ALONG WITH:

- Current resume
- Please provide contact information for two references including name, phone number, email address and relationship

This application is due by **November 9th before 5:00p.m.** Please submit your application to Sheel Patel at the email address provided below. Interviews will be held from **November 14-16th**; you will be contacted to confirm an interview date/time after submitting your application.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Sheel Patel at sheelhpatel@gmail.com

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