



Becoming a Youth MOVE National Chapter

The Youth MOVEment

Our Chapter Network is made up of local community and peer-run grassroots organizations and youth dedicated to making their environments safer, more affirming, and connecting peer to peer to strengthen relationships, engage more civically, and become leaders within the workforce. Many of our Chapters do direct service work, directly assisting and supporting their communities in tackling issues such as houselessness, food insecurity, mental health challenges, reform within the criminal legal system, child welfare system, and more. All of which have had an immeasurably positive impact on local communities, counties, regions, states, and youth across this nation.

Benefits

- Access & membership to a National Network of youth leaders and chapters and national trends
- National Leadership Team (Staff) available for Chapter support (such as technical assistance, coaching calls, 1 on 1 meetings)
- Weekly Chapter only e-newsletters full of opportunities, resources, conferences, and funding opportunities
- Exclusive funding opportunities (mini-grants, youth consultant opportunities, etc)
- A variety of toolkits, tipsheets, and trainings
- Youth MOVE branding and marketing support
- And more!

Ready to Join the MOVEment? Become a Chapter Today!

We're always looking to increase our Chapter presence all over the U.S. If you would like your youth group to be a part of a national effort, check out our checklist form below and review it with your group. If you feel that the group is ready to apply, reach out to Chapter Services at info@youthmovenational.org or complete an application using the link below. The Youth MOVE Chapter application process is created to ensure that groups are truly diverse, social justice focused, and youth-driven and ready to successfully engage in our national network of youth advocates.



**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CONTACT US AT**

INFO@YOUTHMOVE NATIONAL.ORG

Do you have what it takes to Motivate Others through Voices of Experience?

Chapter Readiness Checklist

Are you ready to become a Chapter? The checklist below is a guidance tool suggested to complete *prior* to filling out the actual application. The Youth MOVE Chapter application process is created to ensure that groups are truly diverse, social justice focused, and youth-driven and ready to successfully engage in our national network of youth advocates

- ☐ We have a minimum core group of 3 - 5 young people committed to building a chapter whose mission and vision are in alignment with that of [Youth MOVE National](#).
- ☐ We are currently active.
- ☐ We meet at least once a month.
- ☐ We have been meeting regularly for 6 months or more.
- ☐ We have committed youth who have been introduced to what Youth MOVE National is and does.
- ☐ We have identified Chapter Leaders. This can include; Youth Leaders (between ages 14 – 29), elected Officers (Chapter President, Treasurer, etc.), and at least one Youth Advocate (age 16 - 29) to receive YMN information and take on the responsibility of chapter reporting.
- ☐ We have developed a Mission and Vision statement for our group.
- ☐ We have identified potential partners, adult supporters, stakeholders, community members, and organizations who are interested in supporting our process to become and sustain this chapter.
- ☐ We have engaged in [strategic planning](#) and asked ourselves, “Where are we going as a group and how do we plan to get there?”
- ☐ We have connected with the other [Youth MOVE Chapters](#) in our state.
- ☐ We have the ability to access social media platforms for outreach and engagement.
- ☐ We will involve youth voice in the filling out of a [Youth MOVE National Chapter Application](#).
- ☐ We have contacted Youth MOVE National Chapter Services via email or Zoom about our interest in becoming a chapter within the last 6 months.

Other things to consider:

- You do *not* have to check off every item in order to proceed to the application questionnaire.
- Do you already have an existing relationship with a host organization? Work together to determine what your relationship will be.
- We encourage youth voice to be applied throughout the entire application.
- Our Chapter Services team is able to provide 1 free coaching call with your group or organization to provide start-up support or strategic planning.
- Contact a Chapter Services team member at info@youthmovenational.org.

Meet Our Chapters

2024 Chapter of the Year Award - Youth MOVE CO

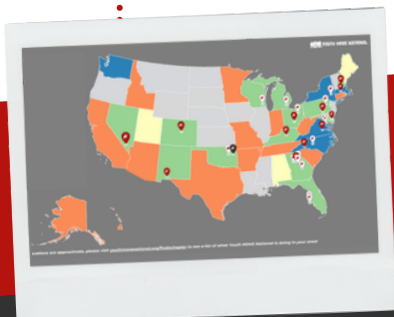
Congratulations to Youth MOVE Colorado for being awarded Chapter of the Year of 2024! Youth MOVE CO engages youth to increase healthy futures in Colorado. We connect, support, and build capacity, expand youth and youth adult advocacy to guide positive changes in policies and programs. They practice authentic youth engagement through youth driven decision making by elevating youth voices of lived experience.

Youth MOVE Nevada Hosts a Podcast!

Our Youth MOVE Nevada chapter has a youth inspired and youth led podcast that explores mental health and youth serving systems. They recognize the power of lived experience and are bringing important youth topics to the table.

Youth MOVE Suncoast Shares Resources & More Across Their Social Media!

Youth MOVE Suncoast is a youth-driven Sarasota chapter dedicated to improving services and systems that support positive growth and development by uniting the voices of those who have lived experience in various systems including mental health, juvenile justice, education, and child welfare. Youth MOVE Suncoast has been sharing resources, inspiration, and more on their social media channels. Give them a follow-on [Instagram](#), [Tiktok](#), [Twitter](#), or [Facebook](#)!



WE HAVE MORE THAN 40 CHAPTERS NATIONWIDE
ALL DOING AMAZING WORK!

FIND OUR CHAPTERS HERE >>