The Youth Board serves as a student-led Board of Directors. Members learn about and discuss community needs, volunteer within the county, and fundraise for their grant fund. Guest speakers who have knowledge of community needs often share at meetings. This also provides an opportunity for students to meet diverse contributors in the county and to partner with them on projects such as campaigns and fundraising.

Our Mission
To improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community.

Our Vision
To build a stronger, healthier, more compassionate community in San Luis Obispo County by focusing on education, income, and health.

United Way of San Luis Obispo County is an independent nonprofit organization governed by a board of local volunteers, affiliated by membership with United Way Worldwide focused on addressing local needs as determined by our local communities.
Youth Board

The UWSLO Youth Board fulfills many of the same duties as the United Way of San Luis Obispo County Board of Directors, most notably the distribution of grant funds for youth-oriented projects.

Members of the Youth Board also...
- have the opportunity to hold an Executive Officer position, as well as be involved in other committees.
- learn fundraising, marketing and campaigning strategies.
- meet other involved professionals within the community.
- learn and understand how a Board of Directors functions.

Qualifications and Requirements

High school students of SLO County are eligible to apply. The Youth Board holds meetings on the 1st and 3rd Monday evening of each month, from October until May. Members are allowed to miss up to three meetings, however, attendance is necessary for the group to function at its highest level and students are encouraged to participate in discussions, voice their opinions, share ideas, and offer input. United Way hosts several fundraising and community service events per year, and members are expected to volunteer for at least one of these events per semester.

2017 – 2018 Youth Board Member Application

Please PRINT all information:

Name: ______________________________________________ Birthday: ________________________ Age: ________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________________
City: _____________________________________________________ Zip Code: _____________________________________
Email: _________________________________________________________________________________________________
Home Telephone: ( ) ____________________________________ Cell Phone: ( ) ______________________________
High School Attending: _________________________________________________ Grade in Fall 2017: Fr □ So □ Jr □ Sr □

Please list past and present activities.

Clubs (Year and office held, if applicable): ______________________________________________________________

Sports and Seasons: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Community Service and/or Organizations involved with: __________________________________________________________

How did you hear about us? ________________________________________________________________________________

The United Way Youth Board will meet two times a month from October 2017 to May 2018. Meetings fall on the 1st and 3rd
Monday of each month, and members can miss no more than 3 monthly meetings. (You may be provided with a draft calendar
upon request.) Can you meet this commitment? ___Yes ___No

The United Way Youth Board requires members to help at service and fundraising events throughout the year. Are you willing
to commit to helping with at least two of these events? ___Yes ___No

Please attach an essay explaining your reasons for applying. Include past volunteering experiences, why you are interested in
Youth Board, what you hope to gain from the program, and any other information you believe explains your interest and
qualifications. Please limit your response to one page.

Thank you for your interest in the Youth Board program! Please submit your completed application to the United Way office in
Downtown SLO (1288 Morro Street) by September 15, 2017. This application can also be found online at unitedwayslo.org,
and turned in via email to rcementina@unitedwayslo.org. If you have any questions, call (805) 541-1234, or email.