

Northern Territory Youth Round Table

2025 Application Form

Stand Up, Speak Out, Be Heard!

Overview

The Northern Territory (NT) Youth Round Table (Round Table) program gives young Territorians aged 15 to 25 a platform to speak up and be heard on matters important to them!

Throughout the year, representatives from across the NT meet to discuss the issues and challenges young people face, advising the government and stakeholders on policies, programs, and initiatives that ensure the voices of young people are heard.

As a member of the NT Youth Round Table, you will have the chance to develop leadership skills, contribute to real-world change, and build connections with like-minded peers, making a positive impact on both policy and the lives of young Territorians.

Why apply?

If you're passionate about making a positive impact and ensuring the voices of young people heard, this is your chance to get involved and create meaningful change!

Becoming a member of the NT Youth Round Table offers you the opportunity to:

- Make a real difference by sharing your ideas and concerns with decision-makers.
- Develop leadership and communication skills through hands-on experience.
- Build connections with like-minded peers and influential community stakeholders.
- Play a key role in shaping the future of the NT and advocating for young people across the region.

NT Youth Round Table members:

- Speak directly to government, key stakeholders, youth service providers, other young people and the wider community.
- Use their voice to influence positive change.
- Participate in professional skills development workshops and get hands-on experience, including:
 - Communication, public speaking, presentation and writing workshops
 - Media opportunities like social media, radio, interviews, and more!
 - Leadership, networking and team building
 - Project management
 - Event coordination and promotion

To learn more about the NT Youth Round Table, visit - tfhc.nt.gov.au/youth-round-table

Who can apply?

The NT Youth Round Table program is open to all young people (15 to 25 years) living in the NT, passionate about making a difference in their community. Round Table members are representative of the geographic, cultural, and ethnic diversity of the NT.

Members are appointed through an open application process and may include young people from the 2024 program. Selection will consider applicants' skills and experience, and reflect the diversity of young Territorians including geographic, age and cultural representation.

For more information or for assistance in completing the application form, email the Office of Youth Affairs on tfhc.oya@nt.gov.au or call 08 8999 5312.

Please send your completed application form to tfhc.oya@nt.gov.au (att: Emma Harris).

Applications close 11.59pm ACST on Monday 18 November 2024

Personal details					
Title		Given name *			
Family name *			Preferred name		
Date of birth *		Gender *		Pronouns	
Residential address *					
Suburb *		State/Territory *		Postcode *	
Is your postal address the same as your residential address? <i>If not, please include here.</i> *					
Which region of the NT do you represent? *		<input type="checkbox"/> Darwin <input type="checkbox"/> Palmerston and Rural <input type="checkbox"/> Big Rivers		<input type="checkbox"/> Barkly <input type="checkbox"/> East Arnhem <input type="checkbox"/> Central Australia	
Email address *			Contact number *		
Were you born in Australia? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you an Australian citizen/permanent resident? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
How long have you lived in the NT? *			Are you of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
What is your cultural background? *			Is English your first language? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Do you identify as having a disability or mental health condition? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		What other languages do you speak? <i>Please include English if not your first language.</i>		
Emergency contact information					
Title		Given name *			
Family name *			Relationship *		
Contact number *			Email address *		
Residential address *					
Suburb *		State/Territory *		Postcode *	
Education and employment					
Current study *	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior school <input type="checkbox"/> VET/TAFE		<input type="checkbox"/> University <input type="checkbox"/> Not studying		
		Other <i>(please indicate)</i>			
Name of School/Institute/University attending <i>(if applicable)</i>					

Year level (school students) or stage of course (e.g. 2 nd year out of 4 year course)		
Course (if applicable)		
Current employment *	<input type="checkbox"/> Not currently working	<input type="checkbox"/> Part-time
	<input type="checkbox"/> Full-time	<input type="checkbox"/> Casual
	Other (please indicate)	
Role and Organisation (if applicable)		
About you		
Tell us about yourself (your likes, passions, hobbies etc.) (Please limit your response to 150 words) *		
Describe how you work in a team environment. What qualities do you bring to the group? Provide examples of where you worked effectively in a similar situation. (Please limit your response to 150 words) *		
Please list your involvement in community activities, programs or organisations you support/volunteer with. (Please include organisation/event details, your roles and responsibilities, and years active.)		
2025 NT Youth Round Table		
<p>The NT Youth Round Table provides an opportunity for young people to have their views heard by government. Members consult and advise various government departments, community groups and other organisations on key initiatives and strategies and have the opportunity to lead a community-based project throughout their 12-month term. Read more about the NT Youth Round Table here: https://tfhc.nt.gov.au/social-inclusion-and-interpreting-services/office-of-youth-affairs/nt-youth-round-table</p>		
Why do you want to join the 2025 NT Youth Round Table? What skills or experience do you bring to the role? (Please limit your response to 150 words) *		

What do you hope to gain from the 2025 NT Youth Round Table? What skills or experience would you like to develop?
*(Please limit your response to 150 words) **

Time Management and Commitment

The 2025 NT Youth Round Table members will need to be available for the following meetings between March to December 2025:

- *three in-person meetings in Darwin;*
- *one in-person meeting in Alice Springs; and*
- *six online videoconferences (monthly).*

Are you able to attend the four in-person meetings and monthly online videoconferences? *

Yes

No

How do you make time for your commitments, and how would the NT Youth Round Table fit into your schedule? *

NT Youth Strategy Action Plan 2024-2027

The NT Government is committed to ensuring young people in the Territory are safe, healthy and happy, and given the opportunity to thrive. We aim to empower young Territorians and give them the tools and skills to be the driver of their future.

The Youth Strategy aims to address the needs of young people in the Territory to lead enjoyable lives, and be celebrated, socially connected and active participants in their community. The Strategy's recently released 3-year Action Plan sets out actions and practical steps to be taken to guide and strengthen the NT Government's investment and effort in program and service responses in the area of youth. Read the NT Youth Strategy and Action Plan here: youth.nt.gov.au/strategy

Based on the Strategy's Domains, Priorities and Outcomes, what do you think we should prioritise for the next 3 years? What changes do there need to be for young people in the next 3 years? *

How could you, as a young person, contribute to following these priorities? *

What do you identify as the 3 most important issues for young people in the NT? **(Please select 3 options)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mental health | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe spaces for young people | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment and climate change |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diverse range of activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment opportunities | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol and other drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic, family and sexual violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Crime and anti-social behaviour |

Other *(please specify)***How would you make sure that your views, and the views of young people in your community, are put forward to the Government as part of the NT Youth Round Table? *****References**

Please provide us with details of a referee/community member that can support your application. This person may also be contacted about your application and could be a teacher, community member, person you have worked with etc.

Referee's name *		Position/organisation *	
Relationship *		Contact number *	
Email address *			

Other**How did you hear about the NT Youth Round Table? *(Please tick all that apply)***

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth NT website | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster/flyer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social media | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/friend referral |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth NT newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth worker/organisation referral |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School/university | <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth |

Other *(please specify)*

Which social media platforms are you familiar with using? *If you are selected for an interview, you may be required to accept the Office of Youth Affairs into your social media platforms. Participation in the NT Youth Round Table may require you to contribute towards Youth NT social media platforms to develop stories and posts.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> WhatsApp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instagram | <input type="checkbox"/> LinkedIn |

Other *(please specify)***T-shirt size for the 2025 NT Youth Round Table Polo**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra small | <input type="checkbox"/> Large |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra large |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medium | |

Other *(please specify)*

Over to you!

Is there anything else you would like us to know?

Section 9: Consent and Signature

I consent to the reasonable disclosure by the Office of Youth Affairs of the following information about me:

- I confirm that the information I have provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I acknowledge that the NT Youth Round Table is a drug-and-alcohol-free program, and if successful in being recruited to the program, I will not consume drugs or alcohol while I am involved in related activities.
- I agree that if successful I will be required to undertake a Working With Children's Check
- I agree that if successful, I will be available in the lead up to attend all four NT Youth Round Table meetings in 2025.
- I give permission for the release of information as outlined.
- I have attached my letter of support and any additional supporting material.

Applicant to sign and if under 18 years, must have signature from parent or guardian.

Print Name *			
Signature *		Date *	
Parent/Guardian Name <i>(if applicant is under 18 years) *</i>			
Signature *		Date *	

Privacy Notice

Please note that by completing and submitting this application, you are providing personal information to the NT Government's Office of Youth Affairs (OYA) for the purpose of applying to be a part of the NT Youth Round Table in 2025.

Without your personal information, OYA would be unable to process your application for the 2025 NT Youth Round Table. OYA will use the information you provide on this form to determine your suitability for a position in the program.

OYA takes the protection of your personal information very seriously. We collect personal information and protect your privacy in accordance with the provision of the Information Privacy Principles found at Schedule 2 of the Information Act 2002. Your information will only be used for the purpose it was collected and will not be disclosed to a third party unless you have provided your informed consent or if it is required by law. For further information, please contact the Legal and Freedom of Information unit by emailing TFHC.legalservices@nt.gov.au.

Section 11: Submission

For more information about the NT Youth Round Table, visit youth.nt.gov.au. If you have any queries, contact the Office of Youth Affairs on (08) 8999 3862 or email tfhc.oya@nt.gov.au.

Completed applications should be submitted to the Office of Youth Affairs by 11:59pm Monday 18 November 2024 via:

- *Email:* tfhc.oya@nt.gov.au
- *Post:* NT Youth Round Table Coordinator, Office of Youth Affairs, Department of People, Sport and Culture, PO Box 37037, Winnellie NT 0820.
- *Hand Delivery:* NT Youth Round Table Coordinator, Office of Youth Affairs, Department of People, Sport and Culture, Level 1, Building JHV2, Jape Homemaker Village, 356 Bagot Road, Millner NT 0810.

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