



News Release

GALLATIN COUNCIL AIMS TO ACTIVATE AND EMPOWER YOUTH STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP TO MEET DEMANDS OF YOUNGER CITIZENS

GALLATIN, TN – The City of Gallatin is recruiting young people to form a youth council whose members are interested in learning about local government and sharing their perspective on future development of the city.

“The timing is especially relevant for this year’s youth council as we are developing a comprehensive plan for the city. Community input is an important piece of that process,” said Gallatin Mayor Paige Brown. “These students essentially become ambassadors for future residents of Gallatin.”

Experience-Based Participation

Teens will have the opportunity to bring experiences with youth issues to the forefront where they can make an impact extending beyond their neighborhood.

- Direct input on government policies affecting young people
- Promote messages through shared experiences
- Participate in community service
- Engage social media activities
- Represent students in their schools and neighborhoods
- Advocate for youth with Mayor, City Council, business owners and community groups

The Youth Council will be comprised of 16 members; one from each grade/class from Gallatin High School & Station Camp High School and three “at large” members who may be from different public high schools, private schools or home school.

Requirements for Membership

- Have a Gallatin home address and be between the ages of 14-18
- Attend meetings once per month
- Engage with peers, diverse groups, the Mayor and City Council
- Participate in trainings, conferences and various discussions
- Be prepared to fulfill a one-year term (June – May)

How to Apply:

Complete and submit the Youth Council application along with a letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, or community leader. Teens who are chosen as finalists will be contacted for a required in-person interview at City Hall.

Youth Council Application

<https://www.gallatintn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3485>