YOUTH PROGRAMS VOLUNTEER AFFIDAVIT

Volunteer Selection

A key element in any youth protection policy is the selection and screening of adult volunteers. District 5000 strives to select volunteers who demonstrate an interest in youth programs and an aptitude for working with young people. The level of screening may vary, based on the position that the volunteer is interested in and the volunteer’s amount of contact (from incidental/infrequent to frequent) and the type of contact (group vs. individual) with the participants.

All adult volunteers who participate in the Youth Exchange program must complete the SCANEX Youth Volunteer Application/Affidavit, which is available online at http://yehub.net/SNX-volapp; (but, if the volunteer is an adult Youth Exchange host family member or an adult resident, such individual shall instead complete the SCANEX Host Family Application, which is available online at http://yehub.net/SNX-hfapp. All other adult volunteers, who will have unsupervised contact with youth, must complete a Youth Programs Volunteer Affidavit.

All volunteer applicants for positions involving unsupervised contact with youth will be interviewed in person. For potential Youth Exchange host families, at least one in-home interview will be conducted. Personal reference checks will be conducted using this standard set of questions:

- How long have you known this individual? In what capacity?
- Do you think this person is well qualified to work with youth?
- Would you have any reservations about recommending this person to serve as a ____________?
- Can you verify the dates of employment for the following individual?

Confidential information collected during the screening process will be restricted to the Youth Protection Officer.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please complete the Youth Programs Volunteer Affidavit in its entirety and sign.

2. Submit application to host club or other youth program representative.

3. Club representative must forward a copy of Youth Programs Volunteer Affidavit to District Youth Protection Officer, together with the appropriate fee for a criminal background check.
District Youth Protection Officer will process confidential criminal background check, personal reference check and notify volunteer of acceptance or non-acceptance to participate in youth related activities. Volunteers not accepted to participate in youth programs have the right to challenge the decision.
ROTARY DISTRICT 5000 YOUTH PROGRAMS VOLUNTEER AFFIDAVIT

Rotary International District 5000 (“District 5000”) is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for all participants in Rotary activities. Without limiting the foregoing, it is the duty of all Rotarians, Rotarians’ spouses, partners and other volunteers to safeguard to the best of their ability the welfare of and to prevent the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse of children and young people with whom they come into contact.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: _____________ Zip Code: _________________

Mobile Phone: ___________________________ Email: __________________________

Other Phone: __________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth (required for background check): _________________________________

Are you a member of a Rotary club? Yes ☐  No ☐

If yes, please give club name of Club: __________________________________________

I will be working with Youth in the following areas (check all that apply):

☐ Youth Exchange     ☐ Interact/Rotaract     ☐ Camp RYLA

☐ Other Programs (Please List)

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CRIMINAL HISTORY

1. Have you ever been convicted of or plead guilty to any crime(s)? Yes ☐  No ☐

2. Have you ever been subject to any court order involving any sexual, physical or verbal abuse including but not limited to any domestic violence or civil harassment injunction or protective order? Yes ☐  No ☐

If yes on number one or two above, describe in full. Also indicate date(s) or crime(s) and in which country and state each took place. (Attach a separate sheet if necessary).

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WAIVER, CONSENT AND RELEASE

I, the undersigned applicant, hereby certify that all of the statements in this affidavit, and in any attachments hereto, are true, complete and accurate in all respects, and do not contain any misleading information or omit any information that would render the information or attachments misleading in any material respect. I understand that any omission of facts or misrepresentation will result in my elimination from consideration for any volunteer position for the youth programs of District 5000 and its affiliates. I further certify that I understand that it is District 5000’s intent to deny a position to anyone convicted of a crime of violence or a crime against another person. I hereby give my permission to District 5000 to investigate, verify and obtain information given in this affidavit, including, without limitation, searching law enforcement and published records (such as driving records and criminal background checks), contacting my former employers and conducting reference interviews. I understand that this information will be used, in part to determine my eligibility for a volunteer position with District 5000 youth programs. I also understand that as long as I remain a volunteer with any District 5000 youth program, the criminal history records check may be repeated from time to time, at any time. I understand that I will have an opportunity to review the criminal history and that there is a procedure available for clarification, if I dispute the record as received. I further agree to conform to the rules, regulations and policies of District 5000 and its youth programs, as amended from time to time, and understand that my service with any youth program can be modified or terminated, with or without notice or cause, at any time, at the option of either District 5000 or its affiliates, or at my option. I understand and agree that District 5000 or its affiliates may rely upon the foregoing and, in their sole discretion, may decline to accept my application for volunteer services with youth programs, with or without cause.
I, THE UNDERSIGNED APPLICANT, HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE VOLUNTEER AFFIDAVIT, WAIVER, CONSENT AND RELEASE, AND HAVE SIGNED IT VOLUNTARILY.

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Applicant Signature                                          Date

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Applicant Name (Please Print)

SEND COMPLETED AFFIDAVIT AND $10.50 FEE PAYABLE TO "D5000 BACKGROUND CHECK" TO:
[Insert Name of Youth Services Chairperson]
D5000 Youth Services Chairperson
[Insert Mailing Address of Youth Services Chairperson]

For District Use Only:

__________________________ Fee Received (date)
__________________________ Background Check Cleared
__________________________ Background Check Expires