



New Orleans is a city where the full self-expression, leadership, creativity, and culture of all children and youth comes together to create a true community where everyone succeeds.

Greetings Parents & Caregivers!

The words above are the Youth Vision, created by and for young people. With the help of many organizations and individuals that serve, support, and care for New Orleans youth, we aim to engage a network of youth leaders and their ideas to take on actions that uplift this Youth Vision. **Thank you for making that possible.**

Young people haven't often been invited into solution-building spaces. This is their table, and this is their time.

The Youth Voice Working Group is a key part of the Youth Master Plan, a 10-year roadmap for creating and sustaining a New Orleans that supports success for all our city's young people, from birth to 24.

The plan's 30 solutions were developed with young people, parents, caregivers, educators, community leaders and other key stakeholders. These groups are now working together to implement the solutions and monitoring for positive change.

As a member of the Youth Voice Working Group, your young person will work alongside other youth leaders (ages 13-24) from across New Orleans to think creatively and take direct action to enhance opportunities for youth leadership, power-sharing, and decision-making on issues that affect them.

Here's what you can expect for youth members:

- engagement in meaningful activities for building & sharing opportunities & skills
- direct communication about monthly meetings from Youth Master Plan Partner staff, as well as encouragements from the organization they are affiliated with
- a stipend for their expertise, delivered via direct deposit to an account in their name

Here's what we're hoping from you:

- supporting participation and attendance in monthly meetings
- encouraging youth to share their voice and choice. This is their work. We are here to uplift them.

Thank you for supporting your young person's work in moving the Youth Vision forward for all New Orleans youth.

Learn more about the New Orleans Youth Master Plan at nolayoutmasterplan.org

