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RIVERSIDE YOUTH COURT VOLUNTEER JUROR TRAINING

RIVERSIDE, CA – Riverside Youth Court is an innovative approach to juvenile justice and acts as an early intervention for first-time offenders of misdemeanor crimes. It is designed to give youth, who have broken the law and admitted their guilt, a second chance.

Riverside Youth Court is accepting applications for its June 10, 2017 Youth Court Volunteer Juror training session. The session runs from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and will be held at the Riverside Police Department's Magnolia Station, 10540 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA 92505.

To be a Riverside Youth Court Volunteer, you must be between the ages of 12 -17 years old with parents' consent. This training is required to be part of the volunteer juror pool. All youth court volunteers will receive training in the juvenile justice system, the concept of restorative justice, and the deliberation process. Each volunteer will receive six hours of community service for attending the training and an additional three hours of community service each time he/she participates in a court session. After receiving this training, volunteers are able to serve as a Juror, Court Clerk, Prosecuting Attorney and Defense Attorney.



Class size is limited to the first 60 people; seats will be given to the first candidates to complete their reservations online at www.rpdonline.org/youthcourt.

Reservations must be submitted by Saturday, June 3, 2017. For more information, please contact Officer Katie Mendonca at (951) 826-5544 or by email at kmendonca@riversideca.gov.