

YOU CAN APPLY IF YOU:

- ➔ Want to make a difference in your community;
- ➔ Want to participate in a summer residential program with youth from many backgrounds;
- ➔ Are between 15 and 18 years old;
- ➔ Want to become a part of a national and intergenerational community of social justice activists and leaders from across the country.

SUMMER PROGRAM: July 2-23, 2024, Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS:

We want to get to know you! Please complete the Application, the References sheet, the Required Essays, and Fee Waiver Application (if you are requesting financial assistance) **legibly in black or blue ink**. **You can also fill out the application online at <https://encampmentforcitizenship.org/>. The Fee Waiver Application must be downloaded to be filled out.**

Email your scanned application materials to: admin@encampmentforcitizenship.org

Fax: 831-515-6775

Or mail your application to address below (must be received by April 10 to be considered):

Encampment for Citizenship, P.O. Box 1210, Aptos, CA 95001-1210.

Spaces are limited so please return ASAP.

1. When we receive your complete application, we will contact you and your family to talk with you about the program and your interest and to answer any questions you may have.
2. The Admissions Committee will call your references and review your application. Feel free to contact our office for more information.

PROGRAM FORMS: Once we approve your application, we will send you additional program forms, including the standard agreement/social contract, and medical questionnaire. To hold your place in the program, you and your family must return these by the deadlines shown on the forms.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- Application form
- References
- Required Essays
- Feel free to submit samples of your creative work(s)
- Fee waiver application (if applying for a full or partial fee waiver)

Questions? Contact admin@encampmentforcitizenship.org or 831-515-6775.

PROGRAM FEE and FEE WAIVERS: The program fee pays for room, board, activities, staffing, and workshop materials. Personal expenses and travel are *not* included. **Full or partial fee waivers** are based on family need as assessed from the **Fee Waiver Application**.

Program Fee is \$4,500.

Full and partial fee waivers are available.

No one will be turned away due to lack of funds.

Fee Waivers:

Anyone who requests financial assistance must complete the **Fee Waiver Application** and send it along with the application materials. All information will be kept confidential.

Your participation is important! If you want to make a difference in your community, we encourage you to apply. We will make every effort to enable you to attend regardless of your family's financial situation.

ACCEPTANCE DEPOSIT and PROGRAM FEE PAYMENT: When we accept you for the summer program, we will need a deposit to hold your space. This will be applied toward your program fee. A payment schedule will be arranged; all payments must be received before May 15 unless otherwise arranged.

Please donate to help sponsor other Encampers!

Applicant families are invited to donate \$50, \$100, \$500 or whatever amount they can, to the Encampment Sponsorship Fund. This fund helps ensure that Encampers represent a broad range of socio-economic backgrounds.

Donations to the Encampment are tax-deductible.

Contact info@encampmentforcitizenship.org for more information.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Apartment Number _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Your Email _____

Please provide best phone number(s) and 3 possible interview times in the next 4 weeks. If possible, please coordinate with a time where we can speak with your parent/guardian afterwards. _____

Date of Birth ___ / ___ / ___ Place of Birth _____

How do you describe your racial/ethnic/gender identity?

Your answer will help us ensure that the Encampment community includes people from many different backgrounds.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

| Name | Relationship | Occupation |
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Email(s) _____

Please provide best phone number(s) and 3 possible times when we can speak to your parent/guardian about the EFC in the next 4 weeks. What is the best way to set up appointment (email, call, text, etc.); If possible, please coordinate with a time where we can interview you first then your parent/guardian.

On the next page, list your references—you do NOT need letters of reference—we will contact them. It is crucial that we contact your references so please select them carefully and explain to them that we need best phone number and time to reach them.

Adult Reference—A current or past teacher familiar with you and your recent school activities. If a teacher is unavailable, you may substitute another adult, not related to you, as described below.

Adult Reference—Your second adult reference must be an adult not related to you who knows you and your community activities.

Youth Reference—List one youth reference who has known you for at least two years and is familiar with your school and community activities.

1) _____
Name Title How long has s/he known you?

School or Organization

City State Zipcode Email

Please specify best phone number(s) and times to reach this reference:

2) _____
Name Title How long has s/he known you?

School or Organization

City State Zipcode Email

Please specify best phone number(s) and times to reach this reference:

3) _____
Name Title How long has s/he known you?

School or Organization

City State Zipcode Email

Please specify best phone number(s) and times to reach this reference:

We want to get to know you!

Your answers to these questions will help us bring together a group of Encampers committed to social justice and plan exciting activities that build on your strengths and your interests. Please answer every question legibly in ink and use extra paper, if needed.

- 1) Tell us about yourself. Your hobbies and interests. Your talents. What's *important* to you? What's *special* about you?

- 2) Tell us about your family and your community.

- 3) Why do you want to attend the Encampment? What do you hope for? What do you expect?

- 4) What are some personal qualities, knowledge, or experiences that you can share at the Encampment?

- 5) **Tell us about an issue or a problem that you care about.** How does this issue affect you? How does it affect your community? What are your ideas for solving this problem? Who would you want to involve in this solution? Have you been involved in doing anything about an issue that you cared about? If yes, what did you do? How would you do it differently if you were to do it again? If you have an action plan for addressing this issue, please share with us; if not, you will have an opportunity during the summer program to develop one.

- 6) **Your creative works:** Many people "speak" best through music, poetry, stories, pictures, dance, or other creative expressions. Please send us copies of your poems, photos, artwork, video/audio tapes, etc., to help us know more about you. Be sure to keep the original for yourself; submissions will not be returned.