



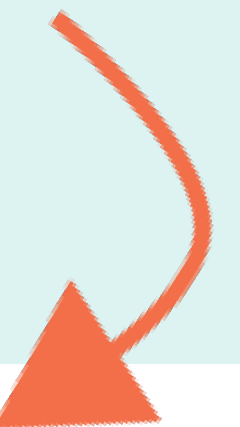
# JOIN THE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

**We have had a Youth Advisory Board at the UK Committee for UNICEF (UNICEF UK) since 2019.**

We are looking for 8 young people from across the UK who are passionate about making the world a better place for children and learning new skills to help them champion children's rights.

## IF YOU ARE:

- ☒ 14 - 18 years-old and living in the UK for the duration of the term
- ☒ Passionate about children's rights
- ☒ Able to commit to fortnightly online meetings and in-person sessions throughout the two-year term
- ☒ Enthusiastic about being a voice for UNICEF UK and influencing our work

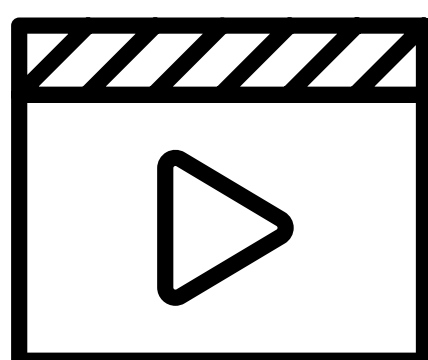


# ABOUT THE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Our work is guided by the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)- an important agreement by countries who have promised to protect children's rights. The UNCRC explains all the rights children have, and the responsibilities of governments.

The Convention explains that children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. It also says that adults should listen and take them seriously, as explained in 'Article 12' of the Convention. At UNICEF UK we have a Youth Advisory Board – to help us work with children and young people in a meaningful way.

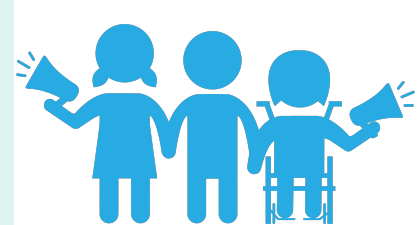
**Youth Advisory Board (YAB) members are passionate about UNICEF's efforts to ensure rights are realised for all children. Our YAB inform and influence our work, bringing youth voice to the heart of the organisation.**



See why our current members think you should apply, [here](#).

## ABOUT THE ROLE

Members of the Youth Advisory Board support UNICEF UK by:



### Being a public voice

Speaking up on behalf of UNICEF UK and other children and young people, about children's rights.



The group will meet fortnightly via video call - to work as a team and learn about UNICEF's work for children around the world.



### Providing insight

Using their knowledge of what appeals to young people to help UNICEF UK make decisions and develop new ideas.



The group will meet in-person throughout the year for workshops and collaborative projects.



### Raising awareness

Using their online and offline networks to help people understand UNICEF UK's work



There will be some work to do outside of the meetings – and lots of opportunities to take part in events.

# WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

## Age

Must be between 14 and 18 years of age at the time of application.

## Children's Rights

An interest in children's rights. Youth Advisory Board members will receive some child rights training, and champion a child rights-based approach in all their activities.

## Citizenship

An interest in, and understanding of, community and citizenship-based activities, including taking part in things like school councils, social action or community groups.

## Communication Skills

Will be an enthusiastic voice for the organisation, sharing UNICEF messaging as well as the Youth Advisory Board's own priorities.

## Commitment

Sign up for a two-year term. Complete onboarding training. Attend and take part in fortnightly video calls, in-person residencies, and group and individual projects.

Young people who have a close family member who works for or is a Trustee for UNICEF UK, are not eligible for this opportunity.



# WHAT CAN WE OFFER YOU?

Be part of UNICEF's efforts to **make a difference** and ensure rights are realised for all children.

**Work as a team and build relationships** with other young people passionate about making a difference to the lives of children, globally.

**Learn new skills**, have new experiences and get involved with lots of opportunities to work with teams across the organisation.

**Help shape** UNICEF UK's work.

**Get support from UNICEF UK colleagues** and regular check-ins with our Youth Voice Specialist.

**All expenses will be covered** including the costs of a personal assistant/carers or interpreter/translator if required



## HOW TO APPLY

To submit your application [visit our website](#).

## "TALK TO YAB" SESSIONS

### Want to find out more?

Meet our current YAB members at one of our optional sessions.

#### Where you can:

- Ask questions about the role or application process.
- Find out what it's like being a YAB member.

#### Sessions will take place online:



7 September 2025  
14 September 2025

**Sign up [here](#)**



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# WHAT TO EXPECT

**1 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
APPLICATIONS OPEN

**7 & 14 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
'TALK TO YAB' ONLINE SESSIONS

**10PM 21 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
APPLICATIONS CLOSE

**WEEK COMMENCING 29  
SEPTEMBER 2025**  
SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS  
INVITED TO INTERVIEW

**6-10 OCTOBER 2025**  
ONLINE INTERVIEWS VIA TEAMS

**13-17 OCTOBER 2025**  
FINAL DECISION EMAILS SENT

**14-16 NOVEMBER 2025**  
IN-PERSON INDUCTION (LONDON)

Thank you for your interest in joining our Youth Advisory Board. If you have any questions concerning this opportunity, please email [youthvoice@unicef.org.uk](mailto:youthvoice@unicef.org.uk)