



# ANYTOWN

A SIX DAY SOCIAL JUSTICE, COMMUNITY BUILDING AND  
LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL AGE YOUTH FROM  
CONNECTICUT AND WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS  
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## Regional ANYTOWN STAFF APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in staffing at ANYTOWN 2010. As you may recall from your own ANYTOWN experience, the counselors, advisors-in-training, and advisors play a crucial role in the overall success of the camp experience. It is under the leadership of the counselors that the delegates are able to bond with each other, open up, and allow themselves to be who they are. In making of an inclusive community, the responsibility falls on all staff members to commit to giving each member of the ANYTOWN community the best experience possible. As you fill out this application form, please take time to think and carefully answer the questions posed. This application will take at least 30 minutes to complete, and incomplete applications will not be considered. As you think about returning to camp, carefully consider the essential role you will be given as a mentor, counselor, role-model, and leader. With the experiential nature of ANYTOWN, we expect our staff members to be peer-leaders, modeling and exhibiting the kind of behavior, attitude, and characteristics that align with the goals of ANYTOWN. As a staff member of ANYTOWN, one of the main goals for us is to empower our delegates to become advocates for inclusion, leaders of change in their communities, and citizen models that strive to respect, understand, and celebrate diversity in everyone. We look for dynamic, caring, and responsible staff that are able to put their idealism and vision into action projects that bring about positive change in their schools and communities. Some other requirements for a position as staff at ANYTOWN are:

- Be able to not just tolerate, but celebrate the unique qualities and differences in all individuals.
- Value team-work, and able to think beyond themselves for the sake of the larger goal.
- Demonstrate an excellent sense of responsibility and passion for social justice.
- Demonstrate leadership skills such as effective communication, facilitation, and mediation skills.
- Demonstrate leadership through participation in activities with the NCCJ and specific ANYTOWN or other social justice clubs at your school/community.
- Be able to give and receive positive and negative feedback constructively.
- Be present for ALL staff training days. (July 10<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 from 9AM-4PM)
- Be present for the ENTIRE duration of camp. (July 31<sup>st</sup> - August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010)

**A good application will include well thought out answers showing why you want to staff at Camp ANYTOWN and what you hope to bring to the community. Late applications and incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

## How to Apply:

Complete all pages of the enclosed application form and return it to:

Muneer Panjwani - ANYTOWN  
1095 Day Hill Road, Ste 100  
Windsor, CT 06095  
Fax: 860-683-1409

## APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 22, 2010

Please answer all questions in as much detail as possible. Incomplete Applications will not be considered.

## Dates to Remember:

**Application Deadline:** June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (Due to the high volume of applications, late applications will not be considered except if you have prior approval by Muneer Panjwani) Applicants are encouraged to apply early as the available spots fill up very quickly.

**Camp Dates:** July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 6, 2010 (Staff are expected to stay for the entire duration of camp including post-ANYTOWN staff meeting. If you cannot attend for the entire week, please do not send your application.)

**Staff Acceptance Notification:** July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

**Parent Orientation Dates:** July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 5:30 PM at NCCJ Office at 1095 Day Hill Road, Windsor, CT. Please RSVP at 860-683-1039 ext. 102

If you would like to attend a parent orientation to share your experience at ANYTOWN with parents of future delegates, please contact Muneer Panjwani. We would love to have you!

Please remember to answer all questions to the best of your ability.



# Camp ANYTOWN

SATURDAY JULY 31, 2010 – FRIDAY AUGUST 6, 2010

REGIONAL ANYTOWN 2010

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY.

## STAFF APPLICATION

Muneer Panjwani  
P: 860-683-1039 ext. 102  
Fax: 860-683-1409  
mpanjwani@nccjctwma.org

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip)  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied to attend ANYTOWN before? \_\_\_\_\_ 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

Have you ever participated in the BRIDGES Program? If yes, when and where? \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
S M L XL XXL

Position Applied for:  Co-Counselor (under 18)  Co-Counselor (over 18)  Advisor

When did you last attend ANYTOWN? Please list month, year, region & position held at ANYTOWN(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**To ensure diversity at ANYTOWN, please check any of the following that apply to you.**  
It is important that you check at least one box in each section. *This information is confidential and will not be disclosed or used for any other purposes.*

**d) RACE** (please check all that apply)

- African American/Black
- Asian/Asian American
- Biracial/Multiracial
- Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Indigenous/American Indian/Native American Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Jewish
- Latino (a)/Hispanic/Chicano (a)
- Middle Eastern
- Pacific Islander
- South Asian (Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Tibetan, etc.)
- White, Caucasian, European American
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**f) SEXUAL ORIENTATION** (Please check all that apply)

- Heterosexual
- Bisexual
- Pansexual
- Questioning
- Gay
- Lesbian
- Queer
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**b) DISABILITIES**

- Yes  No
- If yes please list: \_\_\_\_\_

**b) SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM:**

- Free  Reduced  Not Applicable

**e) RELIGIOUS IDENTIFICATION**

Please use the line provided to list specific religion

- Agnostic
- Atheist
- Baha'i
- Buddhist
- Christian \_\_\_\_\_
- Hindu: \_\_\_\_\_
- Islam: \_\_\_\_\_
- Jewish: \_\_\_\_\_
- Native American: \_\_\_\_\_
- Pagan/Wiccan/Druid
- Sikhism
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**a) SOCIOECONOMIC CLASS**

YEARLY INCOME:

- Below \$15,000
- \$15,000-\$29,999
- \$30,000-\$49,999
- \$50,000-\$74,999
- \$75,000-\$99,999
- \$100,000-\$199,000
- Above \$200,000

**c) GENDER IDENTITY**

- Woman  Man
- Transgender/Gender Variant
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## CERTIFICATIONS

- |   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counseling/Therapy             | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid/CPR: expiration_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Ropes Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifeguard: expiration_____     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:_____  |

## SKILLS- Please list any skills that you can share with ANYTOWN (feel free to attach any additional information)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Acting  | <input type="checkbox"/> Night Patrol (insomnia ☹) | <input type="checkbox"/> Story Telling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art   | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Ability    | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Fire   | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar  | <input type="checkbox"/> Running                   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking  | <input type="checkbox"/> Singing                   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Gaming: _____                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Knowledge (dance, music, history, etc.): _____ |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Languages Spoken Fluently: _____                        |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking/Facilitation Experience: _____          |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music/Performing Arts: _____                            |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musical Instruments: _____                              |  |  |

We ask that each applicant obtain a recommendation from a teacher, counselor, principal, mentor, supervisor, clergy, or another non-relative adult.

*By recommending this student, I agree that she/he is physically, emotionally, and mentally capable of participating in ANYTOWN as a counselor/advisor. I vouch for this applicant's ability to serve as a responsible peer-leader.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below I understand that if chosen to staff at ANYTOWN, I must attend all staff training days as well as ALL days of ANYTOWN. I certify that all information in this application is true and correct:

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below I give permission for the young person named above to apply as a Staff Member for the NCCJ Camp ANYTOWN 2010 Program:

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardians Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS BELOW THOUGHTFULLY AND COMPLETELY ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER. THERE ARE NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWERS. BE HONEST AND PROVIDE AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE.**

It is highly recommended that you type your answers instead of writing them by hand.

1. Please discuss something you learned as an ANYTOWN participant (as a delegate or a previous staff member) that has stuck with you and why.
2. Serving as a staff member at ANYTOWN is a position that will teach you many things as well as give you an opportunity to teach others. What do you hope to gain from this experience? What do you bring to this experience?
3. Why are you interested in staffing at ANYTOWN? What talents or skills can you bring to this experience?
4. Are there specific areas in which you feel you need more training in?
5. Please tell us about a time when you have taken some sort of action to stop prejudice, discrimination, or some other form of "ism." If you have not taken an action, describe a time when you wish you had taken an action and why you did not.
6. Please talk about one or two social issues that interest you or you want to know more about. Describe the issue, and tell us why it matters to you. If applicable, also tell us what you have done so far to learn more about it and/or take action on it.
7. Have you ever attended any other programs that address diversity, leadership, and youth empowerment since you attended ANYTOWN? Please share what your experience was like.
8. What have you done recently to work towards building an inclusive community that respects and celebrates individual differences? How have you brought your ANYTOWN experience back to your school? (For example: workshops you've been involved in, clubs you are a member of, action projects you have organized, activities you're involved in, etc.)
9. What are some of your strengths? What are some of your weaknesses?

