



FRIENDS OF FOLSOM PARKWAYS

THE FRIENDS OF FOLSOM PARKWAYS - - STUDENT BOARD MEMBER OPPORTUNITY

The Friends of the Folsom Parkways (FOFP) is an advocacy community-based nonprofit organization founded over 30 years ago to promote trails (bike and walking trails) in Folsom, examining development projects for trail connections, and advocating for preservation of oaks and natural areas in Folsom. The FOFP website is <https://www.friendsoffolsomparkways.org/> and can also be found on Facebook. FOFP coordinates trails and nature area projects to benefit the community. Our membership includes four Folsom City Councilmembers and is growing as FOFP continues to increase its community presence.

Our organization recently completed a Strategic Plan and adopted amendments to its Bylaws. Among the exciting Bylaw changes is to add up to three Youth Director members for our Board of Directors. These are VOTING positions for special young people who would like to be involved in an important organization and represent and advocate the young person's perspective. The Youth description:

Youth Director(s) – A minimum one, no more than three from Folsom-area high schools. May interact with and/or support one or more of the director positions or committees to help advance/achieve various objectives.

What is FOFP looking for?

Character Traits - Enthusiastic, innovative, reliable, a zest for knowledge and a desire to make a difference in his/her community and a commitment for the 2023-24 School year. Applicants are preferred to be Juniors or Seniors in the 23-24 school year. Juniors would have an opportunity to continue for a second year based on interest and performance. We are looking for young people who might have an interest in a further education or perhaps even a career in advocacy, nonprofits, parks and recreation or outdoors pursuits. **Commitment** – The minimum commitment is one board meeting a Month (Second Thursday from 7:00 – 9:00 pm in Folsom) (Attendance is MANDATORY), participation in at least one committee, participation in at least two FOFP events (Trails projects, clean up days, organized bike rides, etc.).

What are the benefits to Board membership?

Membership in the FOFP, engage in a nonprofit board of directors, learn, organize and participate in community projects, meet and engage with civic leaders, and build your college or job resume.

INTERESTED YOUTH DIRECTORS – Complete the application form and email to Bruce Cline at bccline@comcast.net. Applications Requested by **MAY 22, 2023**. Applications will be reviewed, and applicants will be interviewed by a committee of the FOFP Board in May 2023 and approved by the Board in June 2023. The Youth Director Term will run from May 2023 to June 2024.

Friends of Folsom Parkways Youth Director Application

Name:

School Year/Grade (Fall 2023):

Email Address:

Address:

Phone Number:

Reason for interest in the Friends of Folsom Parkways:

Current or prior experience with school or community groups:

Areas of interest associated with community parkways, trails, open space and natural resources (While no Experience is required, list anything else that we might consider):