UK YOUTH

Membership

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UK Youth is a leading national charity committed to ensuring all young people are empowered to build bright futures, regardless of their background or circumstances.

It’s our mission to provide all young people with access to appropriate, high quality services in their local community or online.

Underpinning everything we do are three core values:

1. We work with young people on their terms
2. We are committed to working in partnership
3. We advocate on behalf of young people

We sit at the heart of a national network of members, brought together through the merger of UK Youth and Ambition in 2017 to support an estimated four million young people across the UK.

With our growing network and UK Youth Voice national steering board of young people, we have a unique insight into the needs of the youth sector and remain at the forefront of innovation – piloting new approaches, driving change on a national scale and creating frameworks to allow you to provide the best services for your young people.

Our membership offer has been created with and by our members and showcases our commitment to adapt to the needs of the sector and work with you to best support your young people. We pledge to work with you to strengthen and support your organisation to help all young people to access appropriate, high quality services in their local area.

Be part of something bigger – join the movement of organisations working to build bright futures for all young people.
Diversifying funding:
Unlocking national and regional funding for grassroots programme delivery as well as supporting you to explore innovative and sustainable sources of income.

Building community:
Bringing you together with other members to collaborate and recognise excellence in each other’s services and maximising effectiveness on behalf of young people.

Strengthening quality:
Supporting you to strengthen the quality of services you deliver through training, accreditation, resources and expert advice.

Harnessing impact:
Being at the forefront of effective impact measurement to help you respond to changing needs in the sector and advocate the value of the work you do.

Championing youth:
Working with you and your young people to amplify issues affecting young people and the youth sector today and drive change on a national scale.

We are committed to working with you through five key areas

Last year we invested £4.8 million on direct delivery work to young people across our network. We are dedicated to working together with you to unlock funds to help support the services you deliver.

We do this through:

Delivering skills development programmes
We build high-profile corporate partnerships to co-create and deliver inspiring funded activities, exclusively for our members. We deliver these programmes in five key interest areas to ensure there’s something for every young person:

Arts
Music, media, art, design, drama & dance

STEM
Science, technology, engineering & mathematics

Wellbeing
Sport, nutrition, physical & mental health

Citizenship
Politics, geography, philosophy, history, travel & environment

Enterprise
Finance, management, business, economics & entrepreneurship

Developing sustainable models
We harness your innovation and connect you with opportunities to develop sustainable models of delivery. We share sector expertise, bringing members together and helping you to build your capacity through advice on business planning and governance.

Regular funding news & sector updates
Our dedicated team is able to provide you with expert information, support and continued advice to meet your specific funding needs or challenges.
Strengthening quality

We have a range of products available to support you and your young people, including:

**Ambition Quality**
Ambition Quality is a nationally recognised assurance scheme specifically designed for organisations working with young people to enable you to develop quality provision, achieve lasting improvements and confidently demonstrate the quality of services being delivered to your young people.

**Creating safe spaces**
We developed FutureProof in response to our members’ need for increased training to safeguard their young people. The programme empowers staff to deal with issues affecting young people and identify risks to help keep them safe. FutureProof uses the UK Youth Safe Spaces framework to set a minimum level of practice consistent with operating a safe organisation.

**Recognising the achievements of young people**
Young people are achieving incredible things every day; we believe they should be recognised and celebrated. The UK Youth Achievement Awards have been delivered by youth organisations in our network for over 20 years. They are an ASDAN accredited, youth-led framework which can be applied to any activity using a plan, do and review method.

Harnessing impact

Measuring your impact effectively helps you respond to changing needs in the sector and advocate the value of the work you do.

We share best practice and encourage a consistent and joined up approach to measure impact across the sector.

We provide you with access to support, toolkits and research to measure the impact of the services you deliver. Alongside our values, this framework underpins everything we do and ensures that:

» **We listen to your changing needs**
By sharing your vital insights and identifying gaps in your current services, we can use this data to influence policy decisions on where you need the support most.

» **We support you to find solutions**
We work with you to respond quickly and effectively to your changing needs, from adapting our support to offer new products or services to co-developing programmes and unlocking national funding.

» **We advocate your success**
Our State of the Membership report brings together the collective data from across our membership each year to provide you with access to national data. We use this data and stories from our network to showcase the pivotal role youth services play in society at a national level.
Championing youth

We provide a leading, national, collective voice to champion the sector and amplify your changing needs. We believe that together we can provide a catalyst for change, sharing powerful ideas and building strong evidence to strengthen and grow high quality services for young people across the UK.

You can influence this movement of organisations at a national level by getting involved in:

- Annual Conference
- UK Youth National Advisory Group
- Policy and Strategy Forum
- Regional Networks
- UK Youth Voice

Building community

We recognise the power of our collaborative network and we want to help connect you with others.

We offer a number of opportunities for you to connect and stay connected with a network that has shared aims and values including:

- Specialist member events
  - Our members have priority access to our regular meetings and events across the UK. These have been created to:
    - Keep you up-to-date with key issues across the sector through expert insight
    - Encourage peer to peer sharing of innovation and knowledge
    - Facilitate collaborative working across the membership network
- Exclusive member portal
  - Our members have exclusive access to a members’ only section of our website, with secure communication channels for you to connect with others and promote your services and events. Here you can access quality resources to help build your organisation’s capacity, see opportunities to take part in skills development programmes and find out about the latest policy information and available funding across the sector.
- Account management
  - All members will have access to a named Member Manager who, as your first point of contact, will make regular communication with you, including arranging visits to see your work on the ground, and provide continued support as part of a dedicated service.

We offer special interest groups for you to attend. Themes include:

- Data & Impact
- Quality & Training
- Programme Development
- Youth Engagement
- Infrastructure Support
- NCS
UK Youth membership fees

If you’re a membership organisation yourself, your members can get the same benefits through your UK Youth membership.

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*Six months free, if three years is paid in advance
**Includes overnight accommodation

In becoming a UK Youth Member, your organisation agrees to share our vision, mission and membership values:

**Data**
- Complete the annual membership survey, which allows us to gather quantitative and qualitative data on the ‘State of the Membership’
- Commitment to meet impact and data requirements of skills development programmes

**Quality Assurance**
- Agree to commit to appropriate quality assurance that meets minimum standards and key safeguarding policies

**Engagement**
- Willingness to share research and specialist learning with our wider membership network
- Contribute to bulletins, reports and dedicated forums
- Support calls to action for campaigns
- Attend at least one themed membership event per annum

**Youth Engagement**
- Actively identify young people to participate in youth engagement activities

Find out more when you sign up:
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