



**MUNICIPAL COURT
COMMUNITY TEEN COURT PROGRAM**

ADULT VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

(Please print clearly)

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY/ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____ MALE/FEMALE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ TEXAS DL: _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

COMPANY NAME AND PHONE NUMBER	JOB TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT	DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

VOLUNTEER HISTORY

AGENCY NAME AND PHONE NUMBER	JOB TITLE	DATES OF SERVICE	DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

PERSONAL REFERENCES: PLEASE GIVE NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF THREE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT RELATIVES.

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR TEEN COURT:

HAVE YOU WORKED WITHIN THE COURT SYSTEM? _____ IF YES, FOR HOW LONG? _____

HAVE YOU WORKED WITH YOUNG PEOPLE? _____ IF YES, FOR HOW LONG AND WHERE? _____

Consent for Criminal Background Check

To ensure the safety of the children involved in Teen Court, it is necessary to conduct a background check on all adult volunteers. Please sign below in the space provided if the above information is true and correct, and that you understand a background check will be conducted using the information you have provided, and that the decision of whether or not to accept you as a volunteer is at the sole discretion of the Teen Court Coordinator, and you consent to the same.

Signature of Adult Volunteer Applicant

Date



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Adult Volunteer Duties

Adult volunteers are essential to the success of the Teen Court program. Adult volunteers do not necessarily need to have firsthand experience with the legal profession; however, it is useful, as your role will be to serve as the Teen Court Judge or to advise teen attorneys on procedures and questioning techniques. Teachers are especially effective assisting our teens since the advising role is similar to teaching. Volunteer training consists of observing a teen court proceeding, and then you will work with the coordinator to define your role as a volunteer.

Duties include:

- Serving as the Teen Court judge during proceedings
- Assisting in signing in teens, parents and other volunteers
- Reviewing Teen Court cases prior to proceedings
- Meeting with teen attorneys and preparing cases for Teen Court
- Assigning teens to various roles during the Teen Court proceedings
- Advising teen attorneys of effective questioning of teen defendants
- Discussing the possible sentences that the teen attorney will recommend to the teen jury
- Serving as a jury monitor

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the New Braunfels Community Teen Court program, complete a volunteer application, and send it to the Teen Court Coordinator, Mary Alice Smallbone, 1486 S. Seguin Avenue, New Braunfels, Texas 78130. You will have to consent to a criminal background check, and then you will be contacted by the coordinator who will schedule your first volunteer observation.

If you have any questions prior to completing your volunteer application, call Mary Alice Smallbone at 830-221-4185 or send an e-mail to masmallbone@nbtexas.org

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