

Community Safety Volunteer Youth Mentorship Program

Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) is actively recruiting high school students to participate in our **Community Safety Volunteer Youth Mentorship Program**. This program is intended for youth who may be struggling with self-confidence, having difficulty fitting in with peer groups, feeling socially isolated or are recent immigrants. We offer youth the opportunity to participate as a Mentee with this program, participating in various community safety programs and contributing in meaningful ways to the enhancement of safety in communities throughout the City of Surrey.

The **Community Safety Volunteer Youth Mentorship Program** will support the needs of youth at risk identified through community agencies working with youth. Currently, there are limited opportunities for youth at risk to receive support. This program focuses specifically on youth between the ages of 12 and 18 as these youth are vulnerable and at a higher risk of being recruited to groups exposing them to significant danger. The Community Safety Volunteer Youth Mentorship Program offers important life skills and provides an alternative to students/participants who may otherwise be influenced into less desirable activities. An evaluation of the program will be conducted and a comprehensive report will be submitted to stakeholders on the outcome of this program. SCPS works in partnership with local School Districts and partnering agencies, such as Options, the Ministry of Children & Family Development (MCFD) and Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS). Additionally, youth who may be considered at risk of falling into dangerous criminal behaviour or who have a history of such activity will be considered candidates for the program and will be encouraged to participate.

Volunteer Qualifications:

- Must be between 12-15 years old to participate
- Must be referred by a faculty member of the School District to participate
- Comfortable working independently and in a team-based environment
- Strong communication skills
- Open to constructive development

How to Apply:

Interested applicants must contact Simran at <u>mentorship@preventcrime.ca</u> or call our office at 604-502-8555

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