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Dear Prospective JDRF Youth Ambassador:

Applications for the Mountain West Chapter Youth Ambassador program are now open! Youth Ambassadors support JDRF's mission to improve lives today and tomorrow by accelerating life-changing breakthroughs to cure, prevent and treat T1D and its complications

Youth in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming who live with T1D and are between the ages of 6-17 are invited to apply for the upcoming program year (July 2021—June 2022.) Members of this selective group work to increase T1D awareness in the community; volunteer in activities that impact JDRF's mission; and raise funds to help achieve JDRF's vision of a world without type 1 diabetes.

In addition to the responsibilities outlined in the attached overview, Youth Ambassadors will be able to socialize with other youth who live with T1D; seek, or offer, peer support; and have FUN while making new friends and creating memories along the way! Youth Ambassadors will also learn valuable leadership skills, build confidence, and feel empowered. The ultimate goal of the program is that participants feel ownership and pride in the work we will accomplish together.

We hope you will apply to be part of the JDRF Youth Ambassador Program! **Space is limited, so please review the outline of responsibilities and return your completed application no later than Friday, July 2.**

On behalf of the JDRF Mountain West Chapter Staff, we look forward to working with you. Together, we can make a difference!

Cheers type 1 diabetes research advancements,

**Your JDRF Staff Team**

Amy Colgan, Development Manager  
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## JDRF Youth Ambassador Program Requirements

- Youth Ambassadors **live with T1D** and are between the **ages of 6 - 17**.
- Youth Ambassadors must be **enthusiastic about supporting JDRF's MISSION** through:
  - **Advocacy:** Sign up to be a JDRF Advocate ([jdrf.org/impact/advocacy](https://jdrf.org/impact/advocacy)) and respond to action-alerts and recruit others to do the same.
  - **Fundraising:** Participate in a Chapter or third party event and commit to fundraising at least \$500 for JDRF.
  - **Community:** Help increase awareness of T1D and JDRF in your community by sharing your story and becoming involved.

## JDRF Chapter Events and Activities

**\*\*Due to COVID-19, events are subject to change\*\***

### **JDRF One Walks**

Colorado —November 6, 2021

Utah —Spring 2022

### **JDRF TypeOneNation Summit**

Fall 2021— Virtual

Spring 2022—Virtual

### **Other opportunities might include but are not limited to:**

- Share your personal story of living with T1D in front of large groups or on camera
- Call and/or write thank you notes to donors/sponsors as guided by Chapter staff
- Write a note to a person newly diagnosed with T1D
- Attend Youth Ambassador social activities
- Help create awards, medallions, art pieces, and other special gifts for donors
- Create posters for JDRF MyRide participants
- Attend *Promise to Remember Me* meetings with local government representatives
- Help create videos for various chapter needs (thank you videos, sponsor videos, etc.)
- Create your own [JDRF Your Way](#) fundraiser

### **Youth Ambassador Application Requirements**

- One form to be completed by Youth Ambassador: <https://bit.ly/3yBr10Y>
- One form to be completed by Youth Ambassador Parent/Guardian: <https://bit.ly/2Sr4y7s>

If selected, Youth Ambassadors will be asked to submit a biography and photo for use in chapter publications and programs.

**Please complete both the parent and child application by Friday, July 2.**

### **Questions about the Youth Ambassador Leadership Program?**

Please reach out to Hannah Hoogenboom, Development Director, JDRF:  
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