

Why Join YIP?

Through YIP you will gain skills that will last a lifetime and learn about some amazing people and organizations doing powerful work to make our community better.





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Engaging & Empowering Young People





What is YIP?

YIP is a growing movement that engages young people in building philanthropy in communities across Canada by connecting them with community foundations. The program will give you hands-on experience working as a team and with local charitable organizations. It's a one-of-a-kind experience.

Ok, but what do you mean by "philanthropy"?

Today philanthropy means generosity in all its forms and is often defined as giving gifts of "time, talent and treasure" to help make life better for other people.





How YIP works

In September, schools/organizations form YIP committees. Each committee receives grant monies from the Brandon Area Community Foundation to distribute to charities of their choice. As a committee you decide on your areas of focus, goals and criteria. You will research charities that meet your criteria and learn more about what they do by visiting them and interviewing people who work there.

Each committee member helps to decide which charities will receive grants, how much money each will receive, and how it will be spent. You will then submit your grant recommendations to BACF's Board for final approval. In May, the program winds up with a celebration for YIP participants, staff advisors and grant recipients.

