# Leadership Development Camp 2024



July 29th - August 2nd, 2024

### **Delegate Application Information**

Welcome! Thank you for your interest in participating in the American Red Cross Leadership Development Camp. A successful camp begins with a willing delegate who is committed to learning leadership skills, team building, and professional skills.

LDC is hosted by the American Red Cross Los Angeles Region for high school students entering 9th grade through exiting 12th grade.

#### **Camp Site Information**

Pilgrim Pines Camp & Conference Center 39570 Glen Road Yucaipa, CA 92399

Emergency Calls ONLY: (909) 797-1821 - Pilgrim Pines Office Phone (213) 671-7851- Amanda Pham, Volunteer Services Sr. Specialist

# Delegate Fee \$450.00 due by July 19th, 2024 at 6:00 PM PST.

Fees include transportation, accommodation, and 3 meals per day for 5 days & 4 nights. Lunch and dinner on Monday and breakfast only on Friday.

#### Refunds

Once a check or credit card is processed, we will not be able to provide a refund and your payment will be considered a charitable donation to the American Red Cross.

#### **Delegate Scholarships**

Limited delegate scholarships are available for current Red Cross youth volunteers in need of financial assistance. Please indicate whether you would like to apply for a delegate scholarship on the Delegate Application.

### To Apply

All LDC delegates must be registered Red Cross volunteers through Volunteer Connection and must be LA residents. Any returning delegates that

previously attended in-person LDC will automatically be placed on the waitlist. If you do not live in LA County (e.g. Orange County), you will be placed on a waitlist and notified by early July. Applications must be submitted online by July 12th, 2024. No exceptions!

Space as a delegate is NOT guaranteed, please plan accordingly as COMPLETED applications and payments must be received by <u>July 19th</u>, <u>2024</u>, <u>2024 at 6:00 PM PST</u>.

### **LDC Application Process:**

# <u>Step 1:</u> Verify/Create Volunteer Connection Account

If you do not have a Volunteer Connection account, please click here to create one.

\*Please follow ALL instructions to register as a new volunteer through Volunteer Connection.

If experiencing trouble with Volunteer Connection, please contact: <a href="mailto:amanda.pham2@redcross.org">amanda.pham2@redcross.org</a>.

# Step 2: Complete Online LDC Delegate Application

All applicants MUST carefully read through this LDC Delegate Packet and apply through our online application: LDC 2024 Delegate Application

\*Applications are due 11:59 PM on July 12th,
2024

# **Step 3:** Submit Signed Waiver & Health History Forms

Once you've submitted your delegate application, please be sure to complete the required **LDC 2024 Consent & Liability Waivers**.

#### **Step 4:** Submit Payment by July 19th

After you've turned in both your delegate application and required forms, Amanda Pham, Volunteer and Youth Senior Specialist, will reach out to assist with the payment process.

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If paying with Credit Card, Amanda will call the payment contact you've listed on your application.

Please have your payment contact save her phone number, **(213) 671-7851**.

If paying by Mailed Check, please make the check payable to:

"American Red Cross Los Angeles".

Memo section: "Delegate's Name – LDC".

Send checks to:

American Red Cross Los Angeles Attn: Operations Department (for LDC)

1450 S. Central Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90021 Please email <a href="mailto:amanda.pham2@redcross.org">amanda.pham2@redcross.org</a> if you choose this option, so she will know to look out for your check after you have sent it. Postmark must be between <a href="mailto:April 1st and July 19th">April 1st and July 19th</a>.

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#### **Step 5: Welcome to CAMP!**

For questions or concerns, please contact:
Michelle Kim (she/her) & Hyewon Son (she/her)
LDC 2024 Delegate Coordinators
Idclaregion@gmail.com

#### **CAMP DEPARTURE DAY:**

Bus transportation will be provided to the campsite on **Monday**, **July 29th** from a Red Cross Chapter to be determined. However, space will be limited. Please be sure to indicate a preferred method of transportation on your application. More information will be sent out leading up to camp on specific time and location of departure. Breakfast is not provided, so please eat before boarding.

\*Delegates not taking the bus must arrive at camp by 10:30 AM.\*

### **CAMP RETURN DAY:**

The buses will be returning on **Friday**, **August 2nd** to the Red Cross Chapter to be determined. Our estimated time of arrival is **2:30 PM - 3:00 PM**. Photo IDs will be checked during sign out.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT:

As we get closer to camp, we will be emailing delegates and parents/guardians more information about COVID precautions, what to expect, and other pertinent information. If you have any further questions, please contact Michelle Kim and Hyewon Son, LDC Delegate Coordinators, by email at <a href="mailto:ldclaregion@gmail.com">ldclaregion@gmail.com</a>, or visit our website.

#### COVID PREPAREDNESS:

\*These guidelines and materials are subject to change as information is received and the situation evolves.

Do I have to be vaccinated and updated on the booster shot to attend Camp? COVID vaccinations are not required for LDC 2024.

Do I have to wear a mask to attend Camp?

Masks are not required but are recommended. There will be a limited supply of masks, available upon request.

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# WHAT COVID PRECAUTIONS ARE TO BE TAKEN BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER CAMP? Pre-Camp:

Avoid large gatherings 2 weeks before camp, wear N-95 mask if public outing is unavoidable. Monitor temperature and notify <a href="mailto:amanda.pham2@redcross.org">amanda.pham2@redcross.org</a> or <a href="mailto:213-671-7851">213-671-7851</a> if there are any signs or symptoms of sickness. Delegates who have signs or symptoms of ANY sickness should NOT attend camp. Please remember to fill out the COVID-19 liability waiver which is a part of the Guardian Consent Form.

### At Camp:

The campsite will have hand sanitizer stations that will be available to you throughout the week. Meals: Hand-washing will be enforced before and after meals.

Pilgrim Pines Isolation Room: There will be an isolation room designated for those with a fever or have signs and symptoms of ANY sickness. Delegate will stay in isolation until their guardian is able to pick them up before the end of the day. Refunds will not be issued.

### Post-Camp:

We highly encourage every camper to take a COVID-19 test 3-4 days upon the return to camp. If you test positive or are experiencing COVID symptoms after camp, please contact us at <a href="mailto:ldclaregion@gmail.com">ldclaregion@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible so that we can alert the rest of the campers and take proper precautions.

## About Leadership Development Camp (LDC)

#### WHAT IS LDC?

The American Red Cross is committed to training and empowering youth in our community. Over five days, high school students build confidence and cultivate core leadership skills such as teamwork, public speaking, emotional awareness, and diversity/cultural understanding. As American Red Cross youth and young adult volunteers, staff members create sessions and activities that reinforce delegates' individual and team leadership skills. Over 100 youth leave camp each year as stronger individuals. They form friendships that often last a lifetime and become leaders who make a difference in their schools and communities.

### WHAT MAKES LDC UNIQUE?

LDC is completely planned and staffed by high school and college youth and young adults. What is most unique about LDC is that leadership lessons don't end on the last day of camp – they continue for the youth who come back to staff the camp, and for those around them. Youth learn about professional development, strategic planning, and diversity awareness. LDC is leadership by youth, for youth. We focus on core leadership skills in an active, engaging environment. Sessions and activities are about doing, and that's a standard at LDC.

#### WHAT CAN I EXPECT TO GET OUT OF LDC?

Expect to expand your world by sharing your experiences with youth from all over the greater Los Angeles Region. Be prepared to open your mind and learn something new about yourself and about what's going on in the world. Discover what you can do to make a positive impact in your life and in your community.