



This application is for _____

Name

2021 Summer Program

Youth Application

INSTRUCTIONS

YOUTH: Fill out the **YOUTH SECTION** (pages 1-2 only). Never filled out an application before? That's OK! Just read everything carefully.

PARENTS: Fill out the **PARENT SECTION** (pages 3-4 only), but please have your child fill out the youth section independently.

QUESTIONS? Contact **Aaron Jones:**
Phone (314) 680-9241
E-mail ajones@ncfstl.org

DEADLINE: Friday, February 26 2021 by 4:00 PM

TURN IN OR MAIL: Harambee (ATTN: Aaron Jones)
1142 Hodiamont Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63112

Youth who have participated in and successfully completed past Harambee summer and after school programs will be given priority over other applicants. Because of this, **we have very few available positions for new applicants of all age groups.** Applicants who have not participated with Harambee before will most likely be placed on the waitlist.

YOUTH SECTION

This section is to be filled out by the youth applicant ONLY. Parents, please fill out only the PARENT section.

PART 1: Applicant Information

NAME _____
FIRST Middle Initial LAST

GENDER M F
YOUTH EMAIL ADDRESS LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

HOME _____
STREET ADDRESS APARTMENT BEST PHONE
CITY STATE ZIP CODE ALTERNATE PHONE

DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ **AGE** ____ **CURRENT GRADE LEVEL IN SCHOOL** ____
MM DD YY

NAME OF SCHOOL YOU CURRENTLY ATTEND _____

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL ____/____/____ **WILL YOU ATTEND SUMMER SCHOOL?** YES NO MAYBE
(AS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED) MM DD YY

ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL XXL **LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SSN** ____-____-____-____
(circle one) *Harambee receives grants that require us to report this information.*

Applicants, continue on the next page.

OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE STAMP:

____ LATE ____ INCOMPLETE

YOUTH SECTION, continued

This section is to be filled out by the youth applicant ONLY. Parents, please fill out only the PARENT section.

PART 2: Letters of Recommendation

In order to be considered you must have **AT LEAST ONE ADULT** recommend you, either through a letter of recommendation, or our online recommendation form. **TWO or THREE** recommendations would be even better!

Who knows you well enough to recommend you for our summer program? With this application form you have been given a sheet of 3 slips (you'll have to cut them apart). Give these out as soon as possible so that the adult recommending you has plenty of time to send it in.

IMPORTANT: An application that is submitted without any letters of recommendation will be marked INCOMPLETE!

check it out



A recommendation should always be given by a teacher, pastor, or adult mentor who knows you well, and should never be written by a family member or a friend!

PART 3: Applicant Questionnaire

1. Tell us about a time when you worked really hard. What did you do? Did you like anything about it?
2. Why do you want to participate in Harambee?
3. Tell us about something you have worked hard to accomplish (or are working toward right now) that you are proud of.
4. What do you do when you face a difficult situation in your life? How do you handle it?
5. What kind of job do you want to have after high school or college?
6. If you are selected to be a part of Harambee this summer, are you willing to follow the rules (be respectful, be safe, and be ready to work) as you help rebuild our community?

here's a

bright idea



Write clearly and use complete sentences!

Please read the following:

I understand that if I am selected for Harambee, I will be expected to participate in **all classes**, and I will receive an **educational stipend** (cash allowance). I also understand that Harambee is **not a job** but a **training program**, and that I must participate in **Volunteer Community Service Projects** as a part of the summer program.

To show you understand this, please **SIGN HERE:** 

SIGNATURE OF YOUTH APPLICANT



PARENT SECTION

This section is to be filled out by a parent or legal guardian ONLY.

PART 1: Parent Questionnaire

1. What is one thing you appreciate about your child?

MY CHILD HAS PARTICIPATED BEFORE!

2A. How have you noticed your child benefiting from participating at Harambee?

WE ARE NEW TO HARAMBEE!

2B. How did you or your child find out about our ministry?

Answer one.

3. If your child is selected to participate in the main site every day?

summer program, how will he/she get to and from our

Check any that apply:

WALK

RIDE FROM PARENT

METROLINK/BUS

BICYCLE

RIDE FROM FRIEND/RELATIVE

OTHER: _____

PART 2: Contact Information

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN FILLING OUT THIS SECTION _____

YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO YOUTH APPLICANT (ex: mother) _____

BEST PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

ALTERNATE PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

ALTERNATE PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

NAME OF SECOND PARENT/GUARDIAN (if applicable) _____

HIS/HER RELATIONSHIP TO YOUTH APPLICANT _____

BEST PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

ALTERNATE PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

ALTERNATE PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

Please tell us who else we can call if there is an emergency and we cannot reach a parent/guardian:

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____

HIS/HER RELATIONSHIP TO YOUTH APPLICANT _____

BEST PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

ALTERNATE PHONE () - Circle type: HOME CELL WORK

Parents, continue on the next page.

PARENT SECTION, continued

PART 3: Health Information

Please describe any health issues your child has (*medical conditions, required medication, pregnancy, etc.*):

PLEASE SIGN below to show you understand that it is your responsibility to disclose all your child's health issues to Harambee.



SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

PART 4: Demographic Reporting

We must submit general statistics about the demographics of our participants to the government agencies who fund our programs. We **NEVER** share your specific information with anyone. Be **honest & accurate**. **THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED! THIS APPLICATION WILL BE MARKED AS "INCOMPLETE" IF ANY PART IS LEFT UNANSWERED!**

1. **NUMBER OF PERSONS IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD** _____
2. **"SINGLE-PARENT" HOUSEHOLD (MUST check one)**
 YES NO
3. **YOUTH APPLICANT'S ETHNICITY (MUST check one)**
 Hispanic/Latino NOT Hispanic/Latino
4. **YOUTH APPLICANT'S RACE (MUST check one)**
 African or African-American (Black)
 Caucasian (White)
 African-American & White (Bi-racial)
 Other _____
5. **INCOME**—Please list MONTHLY income for all household members in each applicable category, then add for total.

Wages from Job(s)	\$ _____	per month
Unemployment	\$ _____	per month
Social Security	\$ _____	per month
Disability	\$ _____	per month
SSI	\$ _____	per month
Child support	\$ _____	per month
Other	\$ _____	per month

TOTAL \$ _____ per month

PART 5: Acknowledgments and Permissions

Please read each of the following statements carefully.

LIFE SKILLS CLASSES & STIPENDS

I understand that my child will be expected to attend all classes of the **Basic Life Skills Course**, for which he/she will earn an **educational stipend** (cash allowance) according to the Track (age group) level. Participation in all devotions and other religious activity is voluntary for my child, and though a part of the daily program schedule, is not directly related to his/her classes or educational stipend.

VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

I understand that my child will be participating in **Volunteer Community Service Projects** under the oversight of the Harambee Youth Training Corporation, and **will NOT be an employee**. The type of projects my child will participate in will be primarily to do with **tuckpointing**, and will include working with mortar, hand tools, power tools and scaffolding. Specific safety training and safety gear will be provided at no cost.

I understand that my child will **NOT** receive any compensation—wages or stipends—for participation in the Volunteer Community Service Projects. I understand that these projects are done solely for the benefit of the community and for the participants with regards to learning skill sets (work ethics and masonry) and with the intent to experientially enrich all individuals involved.

If my child is 12-13 years old, I give permission for him/her to assist on the ground on the volunteer projects. If my child is 14-15 years old, I give permission for him/her to climb scaffolding to tuckpoint. If my child is 16-18 years old, I give permission for him/her to set and climb scaffolding, use power tools (grinders and hammer drills), and use chemicals for washing the walls after tuckpointing is completed.

ACCIDENTS & INJURIES

In the event of an injury or accident, I understand that **my child will NOT be covered under any kind of worker's compensation policy**, as stated in the Missouri statutes relating to volunteers who are helping 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporations (like Harambee), and **I agree not to hold Harambee liable for accidents or injuries that occur**.

I give permission, **in the event of an EMERGENCY** where **medical treatment** is required, for Harambee staff to obtain the necessary medical services of a licensed physician for my child with the understanding that they will notify me immediately.

TRANSPORTATION

I understand that I am responsible to provide **transportation** for my child to get to and from Harambee's main site. I give permission for Harambee's staff to transport my child to and from project sites as needed.

PHOTOS & VIDEO

If my child is selected to participate, I give permission for any **photos** or **video** taken of my child to be used for the promotion and development of Harambee's programs.

After carefully reading each statement above, **PLEASE SIGN** below to acknowledge your understanding and acceptance.



SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN



2021 SUMMER PROGRAM

Youth Applicant Information Sheet

DEADLINE: Friday, February 26, 2021 by 4:00 PM
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Youth Eligibility

In order to participate with Harambee’s youth training program, you must be **at least 12 years old** and **no older than 18** on June 7, 2021. *Applications for youth who do not meet this requirement will be automatically rejected.*

Disclaimer: We currently have very few positions available for all age groups. If you have not worked with Harambee before you will likely be placed on the wait list. Letters will be sent to all applicants updating them on their status by April 9th.

Program Structure

Youth are not employees of Harambee Youth Training Corporation, but are **volunteer participants** in the Summer Program. There are two requirements for participation:

- 1** Participants must attend all daily classes of our *Introduction to Life Skills Course*, for which an **educational stipend** (cash allowance) will be given every two weeks. This course will explore a variety of topics with an emphasis on healthy personal identity and is a prerequisite for our After-School Program (September—April).
- 2** Participants must contribute volunteer hours in our *Volunteer Community Service Projects (VCSPs)*. Through these projects, Harambee provides **free tuckpointing** (replacing mortar between bricks) to low-income homeowners in the city of St. Louis. The number of hours per day will depend on the participant’s Track level (see below).

Track Levels

Harambee’s participants are divided into three separate tracks, which determine the stipend amount received for class attendance, the number of volunteer hours required each day, and both the level of responsibility and types of duties the participant has during the program.

To determine your track level, answer this question: ***“What age will I be on June 7th?”***

AGE →	12-13	14	15	16-18
TRACK LEVEL →	TRACK 1	TRACK 2A & 2B	TRACK 2C	TRACK 3
Total possible stipend if all classes attended	\$420	\$840	\$1,225	\$1,850
Volunteer hours per day	3	3	6	6.5
Total hours per day	4	4	7	7.5
Primary duties & responsibilities	mix mortar, clean up site, support crew	rake joints & tuckpoint	rake joints & tuckpoint	grind, tuckpoint, & stage scaffold towers

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Breakfast & Lunch

Harambee receives both breakfast and lunch meals through Restore St. Louis – Umetilisha’s **Summer Food Service Program**. All youth participants are eligible to enjoy these healthy meals each day.

Transportation

Participants and their parents are responsible each day for transportation to and from Harambee’s main site at 1142 Hodiamont. Once participants arrive and sign in, Harambee will transport them to and from individual job sites.

KEEP THIS INFO SHEET

Please keep this sheet so that you have this information after you turn in your application.



IMPORTANT If you move to a new address or change phone numbers at any time over the next few months, please contact us so we can update our records and make sure you will receive all communications from our office.

APPLICATION PROCESS TIMELINE

January

Application period for 2021 Summer Program youth.

Friday, February 26th

Application deadline. Any applications received or completed after February 26th will be automatically placed on the waiting list behind the applications received on time. *Letters will then be mailed to applicants regarding their application status.*

Week of April 26

Interviews will be conducted with a select group of applicants who are being considered to fill open positions.

Friday, May 14

Letters will be mailed to accepted participants with information about orientation.

May 24 and 25

Orientation sessions will be held, which are required for youth and their parents.

June 3 and 4

Track 3 participants will attend a special leadership training seminar and assist crew leaders in preparing job sites.

Monday, June 7

First day of summer program for all participants.

Friday, July 30

Summer program end date.

2021 SUMMER PROGRAM SCHEDULE

This year we will have **seven full weeks** of youth participation, with a mid-summer break on the week of Independence Day.

Prep Week:	Thurs. Jun 3—Fri. Jun 4 (track 3 only)
Week 1	Mon. June 7—Fri. June 11
Week 2	Mon. June 14—Fri. June 18
Week 3	Mon. June 21—Fri. June 25
Week 4	Mon. June 28—Fri. July 2
-Break-	Mon. July 5—Fri. July 9
Week 5	Mon. July 12—Fri. July 16
Week 6	Mon. July 19—Fri. July 23
Week 7	Mon. July 26—Fri. July 30

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Attn: Aaron Jones
1142 Hodiamont Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63112

E-mail or fax application:
Scan and send to—
ajones@ncfstl.org

Or fax: (314) 726-1264

APPLICANTS—Please use these slips to invite your teachers, mentors, school counselors, and/or pastors to recommend you for our summer program. This will help them understand what Harambee is and what you need for your application.



I am applying to participate in Harambee Youth Training's **2021 Summer Program**. If I am accepted, this program will give me some great opportunities:

- *Attending daily life skills classes & receive an educational stipend.*
- *Receiving hands-on job training by volunteering to do tuckpointing repair on the homes of low-income city residents.*
- *Being mentored in a biblical work ethic.*

I must receive a recommendation for this program, either in the form of a letter, or through an online form— **Would you be willing to recommend me? There are 3 ways to do so:**

1. **E-mail** a letter of recommendation to ajones@ncfstl.org
2. Give a typed and hand-signed copy to me to include with my application.
3. Fill out an online recommendation, which should take about 10 minutes.

<http://restorestlouis.org/harambee-youth-training/apply-for-harambee/>

Click on **"Complete Online Recommendation Form"**

The application deadline is **February 26, 2021**. Thank you very much for helping me!



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