



# COUNCIL LEADERSHIP

21<sup>st</sup> Century Programs, Governance & Membership

## Extension Council Youth Leadership (ECYL) Training Module

### TOPIC #6 – Mentoring & Retaining Youth/Young Adults

#### *Learning objectives:*

- Understand what factors contribute to a young person's success in serving on a local board or council.
- Identify how mentoring determines the retention or attrition of youth/young adults.
- Grasp what youth are looking for in a council mentor.
- Understand and apply good mentoring practices with youth and young adults.
- Demonstrate facilitation and group process techniques that engage younger members.

#### *Group handouts:*

- [So You're Going to be a Mentor](#)
- [So You've Got Yourself a Mentor](#)
- [Mentoring for Meetings](#)
- [Principles for Allies of Young People](#)
- [P.A.R.T.N.E.R.: Evaluating the Effectiveness of YAPs](#)

#### *Action steps:*

- Identify two persons who will serve as mentors to new youth/young adult members.
- Record steps mentors will take to ensure young people are informed, engaged, and supported.

#### *Additional Resources:*

- [Create a Training Plan](#)
- [Tips for Youth Leaders from Youth Leaders](#)
- [What do I do? I've been nominated?](#)
- [Using Structured Activities for Working with Groups](#)



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