

# Pan-Africa Youth Leadership Program

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**This summer the World Affairs Council of Oregon will host 15 high school students from across Africa for a leadership exchange on social entrepreneurship and volunteerism.**



Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, the *Pan-Africa Youth Leadership Program* aims to develop a network of young adults with strong leadership skills, an understanding of participatory democracy, and a commitment to fostering mutual understanding between different ethnic, religious, and national groups. While in Portland, the students will stay with host families and meet with local youth leaders, attend workshops on social entrepreneurship and civic engagement, and participate in service projects.

The student participants are 15-18 years old, French speaking, and selected by the U.S. Embassies in Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mauritania and Togo. Five adult mentors from the region will also be selected to travel and support the students.

The group's visit is part of a three-week nationwide program administered by FHI 360, which includes visits to Washington, D.C. and Chicago prior to their arrival in Portland. As the group's final stop, the Portland program will focus on planning Social Impact Projects that the participants will implement in their home communities.

## Interested in participating as a host family?

The World Affairs Council of Oregon is recruiting Portland-area host families for the 15 teen participants and the five adult mentors accompanying the group. Host families must have one French-speaking family member. Hosts provide a supportive family environment, an individual bed, breakfasts and dinners, and assistance with transportation to and from our downtown office. Weekdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm the visitors will participate in workshops and program activities coordinated by the World Affairs Council of Oregon. This is a great opportunity to learn how young people are making a difference across Africa. Sign up today!



**Download a host application here: <http://tinyurl.com/WAChost>**

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