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Young People's Advisory Council – Expression of Interest

Are you ready to help shape the future of emergency services?

DFES is calling on dynamic and motivated young volunteers from all services, as well as operational and corporate staff to join the inaugural Young People's Advisory Council, commencing in 2024.

Under the guidance of the FES Commissioner, the Council will be a forum where your experiences and perspectives will promote positivity, drive meaningful change, and ignite inspiration within yourself and others. Members of the Council will get together up to four times a year to share and engage in discussions on relevant issues impacting our young members today and form ideas that can benefit the younger generation of volunteers and staff.

The Council's mission is centred on ***creating a better future for young emergency services personnel***. As a member of the Council, you will not only advise the Commissioner directly but also engage in important projects. Your contribution will be pivotal in shaping initiatives that will enhance the experience for the next generation of young people in emergency services.

We are looking for volunteers and staff who are:

- Aged between 18 – 28 years.
- Registered and active volunteers or paid DFES staff.
- Committed to the Council for a minimum of one year, participating in virtual and in-person meetings.
- Willing to undertake a Working with Children Check.

Travel subsidies will be available to regionally based members.

Membership of the Council will be comprised of two people from the:

- State Emergency Service
- Bush Fire Service
- Marine Rescue Service
- Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services
- Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services
- Career Fire and Rescue Service
- DFES Corporate staff.



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To convey your enthusiasm for becoming a part of the DFES Young People's Advisory Council, kindly forward an email to ypac@dfes.wa.gov.au.

In the email, include your name, date of birth, DFES business area/station or the brigade, group, or unit you volunteer with. Additionally, share a brief statement explaining your motivation for wanting to join the Council.

Applications will close at 5.00 pm on **Wednesday 31 January 2024**.

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COMMISSIONER