



# Application Form

## Eligibility Criteria

Candidates must – be middle and/or high school aged; represent an existing school or community youth group located in Cobb County; be personally motivated to reduce underage and youth binge drinking; demonstrate interest/willingness to share and learn specific skills; fully complete application; be willing to serve as a member of this youth council for a minimum of 2 years.

## What is the Cobb Alcohol Taskforce Youth Council?

It's a movement, a youth-led movement. Never before has an issue required the guts and spirit of youth to move it forward; to shake the cages of communities everywhere to make changes, to rattle adults out of complacency, and to rub the sleep out of politician's eyes and get them to wake up to a problem that affects thousands of youth everyday. The Take It Back Movement is about your power, your influence, your brains – multiplied! It's about imagining the future different, telling the truth, using data to back your story, refusing censorship, staying at the edge, creating action, and generating results. Youth from middle schools talking to youth from high schools connecting with other youth from across Cobb County and across America. Exchanging ideas, helping educate, pulling each other along – all with one goal in mind: to keep youth safe, healthy and free from the influence of alcohol.

**Instructions:** A completed application form includes, see checklist below:

- This 2-page form with complete and legible information, including youth skill/interest survey.
- Your responses to the (2) two questions that follow on separate paper.
- Mail, email, or fax completed application to:

Cobb Alcohol Taskforce  
 995 Roswell St., Suite 326  
 Marietta, GA 30060

Email [aking@livedrugfree.org](mailto:aking@livedrugfree.org)  
 Fax: 866-324-7558  
 Web: [www.cobbat.org](http://www.cobbat.org)

Name (Last): \_\_\_\_\_ (First): \_\_\_\_\_

Demographics (Circle one): African-American, Asian, Caucasian, Latino, Native American, Other

Languages Spoken: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (Circle one): Male or Female

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_

Youth Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook/MySpace: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Group Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult reference: Please provide name and contact information of one additional adult.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Write responses to these (2) two questions, per instructions on page 1:**

1. Why do you want to join the Cobb Alcohol Taskforce Youth Council?
2. How can youth help change community alcohol environments to reduce underage and youth binge drinking?

### **Youth Skill and Interest Survey**

By completing this brief survey, you will help us get to know you better so that we can make sure that your talents and skills are utilized as together we strive to make meaningful changes in our communities for reducing underage and youth binge drinking.

First, go through and **circle** ALL of the things that you are *interested in* from this list. Then, go back and place a **√ (check mark)** by the things that you are *good at* from this list. You may circle and check the same or different things from this list. Please choose at least six and as many as you can. Feel free to add to this list.

#### **Interests and Talents:**

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|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Visual Art         | Talking to Adults   | Dancing             |
| Photography        | Foreign Languages   | Leading             |
| Joke Telling       | Lyric Writing       | Listening           |
| Online Research    | Music Writing       | Mentoring           |
| Organizing         | Script Writing      | Activism            |
| Fundraising        | Getting Things Done | Debate              |
| Leading Games      | Website Design      | Persuasion          |
| Public Speaking    | Helping Others      | Poetry/Rap          |
| Sign Making        | Storytelling        | Writing             |
| Play an Instrument | Computer Skills     | Teaching            |
| Layout/Design      | Budget Math         | Singing             |
| Film Making        | Business Savvy      | Journalism          |
| Event Planning     | Problem Solving     | Photoshop           |
| Entrepreneurship   | Blogging            | Social Networking   |
| Public Policy      | Law Enforcement     | Other (please list) |