# 2014 ALASKA PYLI STUDENT APPLICATION

Positively Change Yourself and Your Community & Become A Point Of Light ! Attend the

# 17<sup>th</sup> annual ALASKA POINTS OF LIGHT YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE MARCH 10 - 14, 2014 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Anchorage Salvation Army Corps Community Center

1701 C Street Anchorage, Alaska

2014 Alaska PYLI Application is also online at the Alaska Salvation Army Website For more information Contact: Robert C. "Beau" Bassett, Ed. M., J.D., Alaska PLYI Master Trainer

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Students in Grades 8-12 Are Invited To Attend PYLI

Developing Alaskan Youth For The Past 17 Years 1998 - 2014

" An innovative service and leadership training for young people

age 13-18 preparing them for higher education, careers, employment,

community involvement and life."

Sponsored by Friends of Alaska PYLI. Follow Us On Facebook As We Develop Students As "Points Of Light " In Service To Alaska With Commitment - Motivation - Vision

# The 17<sup>th</sup> Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute 5 Days 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Anchorage Salvation Army Corps Community Center Anchorage, Alaska

### 1. What is ALASKA PYLI ?

A dynamic 50 hour community leadership training for interested youth from across Alaska including 5 days of skill development and instruction in self & community assessment, diversity, goal setting, team building, project planning, and decision making, plus hands on field exercises, a community service project, and a graduation ceremony.

#### 2. Who is ALASKA PYLI for ?

A diverse group of 20-30 **students ages 13-18** who would like to learn leadership skills in order to improve themselves, their schools, and make the community a better place to live. <u>All young people</u> with a positive attitude, commitment to strengthening the community, and a desire to build their own leadership skills are invited to apply. The **ALASKA PYLI** training is open to all youth that apply and no previous leadership experience is required.

#### 3. Why is ALASKA PYLI being offered ?

ALASKA PYLI helps youth develop the skills, competence and character to be community school leaders and become "points of light" in their schools, families and communities. In support of the national Call To Service, America's Promise: The Alliance for Youth and this service leadership training is offered to build strengths and resources in youth, develop important personal assets, create meaningful opportunities to serve and provide mentoring to encourage youth leaders to lead the community in service

#### 4. Who is supporting it ?

**ALASKA PYLI** is offered through a collaboration of Alaskan youth and community organizations implementing the training with civic, education, youth, and business organization support. The **Alaska PYLI** youth leadership training promotes volunteer community service by youth and is **supported locally by Jack White Real Estate** and in partnership with Alaskan schools, Alaska Salvation Army, Red Cross of Alaska, UAA Multicultural Center and TRiO Program: Educational Talent Search, YWCA Alaska, Alaska Youth As Resources, Friends of Alaska PYLI, and Alaska PYLI Student Alumni. **Friends of Alaska PYLI won the national Daily Point of Light Award** recognizing individuals and volunteer groups who have made a commitment to connect Americans through service to help meet critical needs in their communities. The program was established by the administration of former President George H.W. Bush as part of "a movement to engage all individuals, families, businesses, groups and organizations in America to solve community problems." The **Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute (PYLI )** is part of national efforts to increase youth leadership for service and citizenship. **ALASKA PYLI** has a statewide commitment to provide all youth with caring adult mentoring relationships, training in leadership and marketable skills and opportunities to give back to the community and help others through service. School credit may be available.

#### 5. When is it ?

#### The Spring 2014 session of the Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute scheduled : March 10-14 (Anchorage), 2014

Fee: A **\$ 100 fee** pays for the training, materials, t-shirt and graduation certificate. Need based scholarship assistance is available. The training will be followed by a community service project & graduation ceremony.

#### 6. How do young people apply ?

Young people ages 13-18 can fill out an application available from **Jack White Real Estate offices**, school counselingcareer guidance offices, Anchorage Community Recreation Centers, and the Anchorage Salvation Army Corps Community Center. The <u>completed application must be submitted with participation fees</u> to:

2014 Alaska PYLI 3220 East 40th Ave Anchorage, AK 99508 or dropped at Jack White Real Estate offices in Anchorage, Eagle River or Wasilla ASAP and no later than <u>February 28</u> before the Institute.

#### 7. How will they be selected ?

All students are encouraged to attend **ALASKA PYLI**. Schools, community agencies and youth organizations are asked to make the applications available as widely as possible to all interested youth. An acceptance packet will be mailed to youth after the receipt of application and no later than March 2. For more information contact: Beau Bassett Ed. M.,J.D. Alaska PYLI Master Trainer, Friends of Alaska PYLI at 561-6630 or email <u>friends.of.alaska.pyli@gmail.com</u>

*Alaska PYLI Offers* \* Challenge \* Leadership Activities \* Personal Development \* Team Exercises \* Service Projects \* New Friendships \* Fun \* Civic Action \* School Credit \* Mentors \* Job & Career Skills \*

#### Alaska PYLI Is Celebrating 17 Years of Service Leadership Training for Alaskan Students !

Dear Students, Parents and School Community Members:

Welcome to the 2014 Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute ! We are pleased to invite you to participate in this exciting youth leadership development program. Through the Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute, young people across Alaska have the opportunity of receiving the caliber of leadership training that is typically available only to Fortune 500 executives and government leaders. The Institute curriculum was developed by the Center for Creative Leadership and is being implemented in Alaska by a collaboration of youth organizations working in partnership with local civic, business, education, and community organizations. The coalition Friends of Alaska PYLI coordinates and promotes Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute Training in Alaska.

The ALASKA Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute (PYLI) features approximately 50 hours of presentations, group discussions and hands-on leadership and community service activities that focus on the dynamic challenges confronting leaders of all ages. The Institute's service component is integrated throughout the program so young leaders will emerge from the training with the understanding that service to one's community is an integral part of leadership and citizenship. The Institute concludes with the implementation of a community volunteer service project planned and organized by the young people and involving Alaskan residents and businesses.

We are looking for young people ages 13 - 18 who have an interest in leadership and a desire to improve their community. The Institute is open to all youth and the participation fee is due upon application. Some partial scholarship assistance is available based on need.

**ALASKA PYLI** is a unique experience. It's a chance for young people to develop new skills, define challenges facing their communities, and develop real solutions. In support of America's Promise : The Alliance for Youth, **PYLI** seeks to encourage young people to become **"points of light "** in volunteer community service. Please help young Alaskans make a positive difference in our communities.

Applications are due ASAP and no later than <u>February 28</u> before the Institute For more information on the PYLI call **Friends of Alaska PYLI** at 561-6630 or email <u>friends.of.alaska.pyli@gmail.com</u> Thank you for supporting students in their development as community leaders !

#### 2014 Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute Implementation Timetable

August - 2014 Alaska Points of Light Youth Institute Announced !

Applications available through schools, youth groups, Jack White Real Estate, Salvation Army offices.

Applications Due ASAP and no later than **February 28** before the Institute to Friends of Alaska PYLI or delivered to **Jack White Real Estate offices** in Anchorage, Eagle River or Wasilla.

Alaska PYLI Steering Committee sends Student Acceptance Packets

#### ALASKA PYLI Institute: March 10-14 (ANCHORAGE)

## PYLI Graduation March 15 (ANCHORAGE) Dinner and Recognition Ceremony for Students

#### ALASKA PYLI STUDENT APPLICATION

#### "Become A Point Of Light " in 2014

# 17<sup>th</sup> Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute

**Student Application** 

#### March 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 (9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.), 2014 ANCHORAGE

( Please Print Clearly )						
Name		Age	Date of Birth			
Mailing Address						
City/Village		State	Zip Code			
Home Telephone Number	Home	Fax				
E-mail						
School			_Grade			
School Address						
Parent/Guardian Name (please print)						
Parent/Guardian Signature						
Adult Reference	Title		Signature			

Please respond to the following questions on the attached sheet of paper. Your answers should be no more than allowed in the space provided. Some need based financial aid is available for registration fees.

\*\*Checks should be made out to: "Salvation Army Youth Development Fund " \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\*\*Partial Financial aid requested (specify amount you are requesting) You may deliver or mail your completed application and registration fee (\$100) to:

> 2014 Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute Friends of Alaska PYLI 3220 East 40th Ave Anchorage, Alaska 99508

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Spread the word about the 2014 Alaska PYLI & Become A "Point of Light" For Service

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Student Application							
(Please Print Clearly)							
Name	Age	Grade	Date				
Briefly answer the following questions.							

1. Why do you want to attend the 17th annual Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institute ?

2. What does leadership mean to you ?

3. How are you currently involved in your community ?

4. After the Alaska PYLI Institute, how will you use your leadership skills to involve other young people in helping the community ?

5. Tell us about yourself. Write a short story about your life to date. (you might include your interests, hobbies, goals, significant experiences, plans for the future, obstacles you've overcome, anything else..)