



San Diego County Chapter APPLICATION for
2023 Spirit of America Youth Leadership Program* @ Valley Forge
 Followed by a Stay in Washington, D.C.: **March 09—March 15, 2023**

*This program is endorsed by the National Council of Social Studies Teachers

Open to San Diego County High School students (juniors given priority): Deadline to apply: **November 18, 2022**

APPLICANT: _____ **MALE** **FEMALE**

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ **PHONE (cell or home):** _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **ZIP** _____

BIRTHDATE: _____ **HIGH SCHOOL:** _____

PARENT(s) or GUARDIAN(s): _____ **Parents' email:** _____

Personal Information needed for airline and tour of Government Offices:

COUNTRY OF BIRTH: _____ **U.S. CITIZEN? YES NO** **SOCIAL SECURITY #** _____

(legal U.S. residents may apply)

FFVF requires that all students who attend be vaccinated for COVID

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

1. This completed application. Two endorsement signatures.
2. Most recent **high school transcript**—not a report card.
3. **Resume of Activities**—not to exceed ONE page to include: major school activities and organizations; leadership positions; community service activities; sports; hobbies; travel; work, and other experiences.
4. **Personal Statement**—not to exceed ONE typewritten page.

TOPIC: "WHY WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEND AND WHAT QUALITIES WOULD YOU BRING TO THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE?"

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The San Diego Chapter of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge provides chaperones and arranges all aspects of the tour including air transportation, fee for the Valley Forge Program (room and board), travel, hotel reservations, tour reservations, and some meals in Washington, D.C. The total cost for this is about **\$1,600 per student**.

Each student and his/her parents or guardians must make the commitment to contribute **\$500.00 to this cost**, about one third of the total cost.

At an Orientation meeting in December students are provided with ideas for fund raising as well as sample letters to use in contacting businesses, individuals, and/or service organizations for donations. The total of \$500 (**including a \$50 non-refundable deposit in December**) will be due: **March 2, 2023**. All checks are made out to: **FFVF San Diego**.

FFVF is a 501 C3 organization: ID #23-7375538; all donations are tax deductible.

ADULT ENDORSEMENTS: Have this signed by two people

I recommend this student as a candidate for the Spirit of America Youth Leadership Conference:

1. TEACHER: _____

Comments: _____

2. COMMUNITY MEMBER: _____

(Boss, coach, youth leader, neighbor, church or scout leader, etc.)

Comments: _____

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Please return COMPLETED APPLICATION and REQUIRED DOCUMENTS by **November 18, 2022** electronically to:
vsyverson@cox.net OR—mail to:
Virginia Syverson, 675 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, CA 91932.

There will be a follow up interview at your school or over the phone.
Check out: ffvf.org/chapters for photos and more information.