

## **PRESS RELEASE**

**THE CITY OF DOUGLAS IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVED NEW CITY YOUTH COUNCIL BYLAWS AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 8, 2017. NOMINATION LETTERS ARE BEING ACCEPTED UNTIL MARCH 31, 2017, IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH THE FIRST CITY YOUTH COUNCIL.**

**THE MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE CITY YOUTH COUNCIL ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- A.** Evaluate and review problems facing the youth of Douglas.
- B.** Collect information from youth to discuss ideas, needs, and improvements for Douglas.
- C.** Meet with the Mayor or designee and City Manager as needed to share ideas, needs, and improvements relating to youth in Douglas.
- D.** Meet monthly during the school calendar year as the C.Y.C. approximately three (3) weeks prior to the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council for its regular business and to approve items to be presented to Mayor and Council.
- E.** Present a "City Youth Council Report" during the school calendar year at every regular meeting of Mayor and Council as an agenda item immediately following the Call to the Public.
- F.** Participate in vision and goal setting planning relating to youth in Douglas.
- G.** Assist in planning youth and recreation activities in coordination with the City of Douglas Recreation Department, Public Library, and Youth Activities Fund.
- H.** Advise the Mayor and Council and/or City Manager on issues forwarded to the C.Y.C. for evaluation and advice.

**ELIGIBILITY TO THE CITY YOUTH COUNCIL ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**THE C.Y.C. SHALL SEEK IN ITS MEMBERSHIP A DIVERSE REPRESENTATION REFLECTING THE YOUTH OF DOUGLAS, ARIZONA. MEMBERS SHALL BE ACTIVELY ENROLLED IN PUBLIC, PRIVATE, CHARTER, VIRTUAL, AND HOME SCHOOLS IN GRADES EIGHT THROUGH TWELVE NOMINATED BY LETTER TO THE CITY MANAGER AT 425 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET, DOUGLAS, AZ 85607 NO LATER THAN THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE 31<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF MARCH EVERY YEAR. THE NOMINEES NEED NOT BE PRESENTLY OFFICERS OR OTHERWISE INVOLVED IN STUDENT COUNCILS, CLUBS, OR OTHER YOUTH GROUPS, BUT SHALL BE ELECTED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE STUDENT POPULATIONS (OR IN THE CASE OF HOME/VIRTUAL SCHOOLS NOMINATED BY THEIR PARENTS).**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AT 520.417.7302.**