

Application Deadline: **Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 5:00 pm**

Name:

Student Cell:

Address:

Alternate phone:

City/State/Zip:

Student Email:

What high school do you attend? _____

Please TYPE your responses to the following questions, and complete the signatures page:

- 1) How long have you lived in Oak Park or River Forest?

- 2) If you have previously volunteered in your community or elsewhere, please give examples including school-sponsored activities, work camps, fundraising events, etc.

- 3) Please describe any experience you have had with public speaking.

- 4) Please list the sports and extracurricular activities you will sign up for this year.

- 5) Please list the sports and extracurricular activities you were involved in last year.

- 6) Did/do you serve as the captain or co-captain of a team, leader of a club, or hold a title with any volunteer organization at school or elsewhere? Please describe.

- 7) If you have a part-time job after school, please describe your work schedule.
- 8) FPP meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month from October through May from 6:30 – 8:30 PM at the Nineteenth Century Charitable Association. Would this present any conflict for you?
- 9) Please answer the following question in 200 words or less:

What social issue are you most passionate about and why?

Acknowledgment: I understand that being a participant in the Future Philanthropists Program is **a two-year commitment** and if selected, I will make every effort to participate in each monthly session and in all related activities of the program in both my Junior and Senior years.

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Parent Acknowledgment: I hereby grant permission for my child to participate in the Future Philanthropists Program, if selected, and will support his/her attendance at each monthly session and at all related activities in both Junior and Senior years. I will be asked to sign a waiver of liability from the OPRF Community Foundation in order for my child to participate.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Email: _____

Parent Cell phone: _____

Submission Rules:

**Please download this application form and complete it by typing directly into the document.
Please do not return a hand-written application.**

**Once complete, please email the application by
Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 5:00 pm to:**

**Karen Tardy, Program Coordinator
fpp@oprfcf.org**

[IMPORTANT: Please include a copy of your school ID with your application.](#)

Paper copies of these items may be delivered to Karen Tardy, if absolutely necessary,
at her home located at 922 Belleforte in Oak Park.

**To be eligible to apply for admission in the Future Philanthropists Program,
student applicants must be a high school junior and
must reside in Oak Park or River Forest.**



OAK PARK-RIVER FOREST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Future Philanthropists Program

Program Description

Overview

The mission of the Future Philanthropists Program (FPP) is to teach the art, science, and business of philanthropy to the next generation. Established in 2010 and sponsored by the Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation, the 2-year program provides curriculum-based, hands-on experiences in fund raising, grant making and volunteer service, the *Three Pillars of Philanthropy*. Local adult community volunteers serve as program mentors who teach the curriculum and facilitate community outreach activities.

Eligibility

Rising juniors who reside in Oak Park or River Forest are eligible to apply. Through an application and interview process, a maximum of 30 students are accepted into the program each year in September. Students must be willing to fully participate in the program in both their junior and senior years. This is an important decision, a commitment that should not be taken lightly.

Junior Year

Regular learning sessions are held the first Wednesday of each month, October through May, from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the Nineteenth Century Charitable Association (NCCA) in Oak Park. There are also extracurricular activities scheduled between sessions. These activities include making 3-4 site visits to various nonprofit organizations in the area in January and February, as well as participating in 2-3 volunteer events during the program year. Students who do not fully participate in these activities, without a valid excuse and prior notification, may be subject to dismissal from the program. Additionally, a capstone ceremony is held in late May for both juniors and seniors which provides the students an opportunity to share the results of their community philanthropy.

Senior Year

The time commitment in the senior year is similar to the junior year, although the regular monthly learning sessions begin the first Wednesday of September and run through May, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. In addition to 2-3 site re-visits to various nonprofits in December and January and the volunteer events, seniors also work outside the regular monthly meetings to plan and organize various fundraising strategies and activities from January through May.

Dominican Course Credit Track

Juniors and seniors have the option of taking advanced courses of study during their junior and/or senior year in the program. The classes are taught at the NCCA starting at 5:30 PM, just prior to the start of each regular monthly session. Dominican University has approved each course for 3 hours of college credit, transferable to the vast majority of colleges or universities as elective hours toward graduation requirements.

The tuition cost of the course is \$300 payable to Dominican University. Junior year registration is open until October 15th. Senior year registration is open until September 6th.

Questions or clarifications?

Please contact Karen Tardy, Program Coordinator, at fpp@oprfcf.org or 708-347-1302