



## Youth Participant Application 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Initial Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Parent/Guardian phone \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] cell [ ] home

Parent/Guardian Primary email \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, Youth phone \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] cell [ ] home

If applicable, Youth Primary email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ [ ] male [ ] female

Ethnicity [ ] Asian [ ] Black/African American [ ] Hawaiian/Pacific Islander [ ] Hispanic/Latino  
[ ] White [ ] American Indian (tribe \_\_\_\_\_) [ ] other \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular activities \_\_\_\_\_

## **Deployment Information**

Soul River Inc is hosting seven (7) deployments for 2017. They vary in group size and location. We strive to select a diverse group per outing in regards to age, gender, ethnicity, and abilities. As a pre-requisite and orientation to the organization and 2017's season deployments, all youth are required to attend the Urban Native Waterlife™ Explorations. Please check any additional deployments that you would be interested in participating in, keeping in mind the dates and age restrictions. **Please check at least two in case one deployment fills up.** Selections for outings will be made and communicated by March 18<sup>th</sup>.

*The following deployments are for youth ages 13-19 years old. Youth must be 13 on or by May 1, 2017:*

- Urban Native Waterlife™ Explorations: Oxbow Park, OR (March 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Urban Native Waterlife™ Explorations: Willamette River, OR (May 26-29<sup>th</sup>)
- Angler's Quest – Quinault Indian Nation: Tahloah, WA (June 2-4<sup>th</sup>)
- Everglade's Wonder-of-Science Angling Exploration: Florida Everglades (June 18-24<sup>th</sup>)\*\*\*
- Angler's Quest – Kitchi-gami: Marquette, MI (July 18-24<sup>th</sup>)\*\*\*
- Cross Cultural Science Expedition – Arctic Village: Arctic (July 25 – August 3<sup>rd</sup>)\*\*\*
- Angler's Quest – Owyhee Canyonlands: Nyssa, OR (August 18-21<sup>st</sup>) *pending funding*

*\*\*\*These deployments are for youth 14-19 years old. Youth must be 14 on or by May 1, 2017. Applicants for this deployment must have already participated in one prior Soul River Inc expedition or deployment (including 2017's Urban Native Waterlife™ Exploration at Oxbow Park.) Youth selected for this expedition will be required to do the following once they have been selected:*

- Participate in a one-day Meet-n-Greet leadership skills clinic (May/June)
- Participate in follow-up SRI events representing the expedition (i.e., Celebration Wild Steelhead, Annual Gala & Auction)

Each deployment has specific curriculum that teaches specific skills. Do you currently have a skill set in any of the following?

- fly fishing     fly tying     fire building     orienteering/land navigation     outdoor leadership
- outdoor wilderness survival     story-telling     knot tying     backpacking     tracking
- plant/tree identification     conservation education     river ecology     entomology     geology
- shelter building     swimming     [other] \_\_\_\_\_

**Were you a 2016 SRI Participant?**

If so, you can skip Supplemental Questions 1-5 and the References section. Please answer the following question ONLY IF YOU WERE A 2016 PARTICIPANT:

In past deployments from 2016 you most likely learned many new skills. Please share what skill you acquired (for example: flyfishing, outdoor leadership, compass reading, collaborating with veterans, etc.) that you would like to work on, an area that you would like to strengthen/grow/develop in, and how SRI can help you achieve that goal.

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Please sign agreements on Page 5 and submit.

**Supplemental Questions**

1. Why are you interested in participating in Soul River Inc?

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2. Tell us about your most memorable vacation or trip? Where did you travel to? Who did you visit? What did you see? Why was it memorable?

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3. What do you like to do during your free time or for extracurricular activities?

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4. Tell us about your experience working with peer groups. What size group do you like to work in? What type of role do you play in groups (i.e., leader, observe, active participant, etc.) Please provide a real life example.

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5. What type of career interest do you imagine pursuing? If you are unsure, what are your favorite subjects in school? How does a Soul River Inc deployment compliment that career path or subject of interest?

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**References**

List three individuals able to give character references. If you have a school or guidance counselor, please list them as a reference. Otherwise, please list a teacher, coach, or mentor in the education system.

School or Guidance Counselor/Teacher/Coach/Mentor

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Length of time known \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] months [ ] years

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ date of contact \_\_\_\_\_ recommends

Personal Reference Contact

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Length of time known \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] months [ ] years

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**Participant Agreements**

MATERIALS CREATED/PHOTO & VIDEO RELEASE - I understand that all materials created during volunteer activities including artwork, writing, film, photographs, videos, and other are the sole property of Soul River Inc. and cannot be taken or used without expressed consent from Soul River Inc..

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT – Each participant may be privy to confidential information about the program participants and their families, Soul River Inc. staff, process, issues, and the organization in general. As an organization, Soul River Inc. does everything possible to protect the confidentiality of each participant, staff member, and volunteer. However, it is the responsibility of each person who is a part of the organization, paid or volunteer, to respect these confidences. Some information we deal with at Soul River Inc. is sensitive in nature. We treat this information with care and respect, and it is important that this information is held in confidence. Confidential information includes, but is not limited to, the following: youth full names, veteran full names, records or medical information, family information and experiences, donor information, management, plans, contracts. Anyone who violates the confidentiality required by Soul River Inc. will be asked to resign as a volunteer. I understand that the work, the youth and veterans with whom I volunteer entrust the program with possible confidential information. With this in mind, I will protect their privacy and confidences to the best of my ability except in an effort to protect the participants from harm. I will not discuss them or their family matters, or any work processes or procedures, with persons or agencies outside Soul River Inc.. If asked to share stories about Soul River Inc. youth, I will seek advice from the Program Director or the Executive Director. I fully understand the importance of protecting the confidentiality of Soul River Inc. I also understand the importance of protecting Soul River Inc. youth from harm. By signing this agreement, I agree to keep the confidentiality entrusted to me by Soul River Inc. and the organization in general.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

CODE OF CONDUCT – Each participant must sign and commit to Soul River Inc’s Code of Conduct. Soul River Inc. adheres to a “two strike” policy for all deployments. If the participant fails to adhere to this policy after signing the Code of Conduct and the “two strikes”, the participant will be immediately removed from the deployment. When the youth signs the online enrollment form, he/she agrees to:

- Respect the places and the people with whom they come in contact during their deployment
- Be an active participant and do their best to engage in new activities, work as part of a team and follow all instructions
- Not bring, purchase or use alcohol, tobacco products or illegal drugs during any portion of the deployment
- Not engage in any conversation topics or actions that knowingly negatively affect other group members through intimidation, exclusion, bullying, or alienation
- Be responsible for personal belongings and equipment, and in the case of loss or damage due to student’s negligence or neglect, not hold Soul River Inc. or instructors responsible for such
- Treat all equipment provided by Soul River Inc. with care
- Refrain from use of profanity and abusive language while on the deployment
- Obey all policies and safety guidelines established by instructors and discussed during orientation
- Not engage in sexual activity

Youth Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please scan and send completed application (including the final page for administrative use only) to [stefanie@soulsriverrunsdeep.com](mailto:stefanie@soulsriverrunsdeep.com) or mail to Soul River Inc., Application, 1926 N. Kilpatrick St., suite B, Portland, OR 97217. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS PERSONALLY DROPPED OFF AT OUR OFFICE.

PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THIS APPLICATION FOR YOUR REFERENCE