



Become a Host Family for Canada World Youth

If you live in a Canadian host community of the Canada World Youth (CWY) Youth Leaders in Action program, why not become a host family? It is a great opportunity to support CWY, a non-profit organization and give back to your community by supporting youth become active, informed global citizens! What's more, hosting a young Canadian and a youth from abroad will give your family a chance to learn about a different country and its culture as well as another part of Canada.

For CWY's young volunteers, the host family represents a learning environment that helps to maximize their integration into the host community. Thanks to you, they will learn how to adapt to a new culture and environment. They will discover other aspects of their host community through sharing the realities of your daily life and your perspective.

The young volunteers are housed in pairs (one Canadian and one youth from another country) within a host family throughout the Canadian phase of the program, for approximately three months. They are involved in various aspects of the family's life, are considered as full members of the household and must adapt to their host family's routine.

CWY offers host families a weekly stipend to offset the expenses incurred.

All types of households are welcome to take part: single-parent families, nuclear families, gay or lesbian families, retirees, recently arrived immigrants, etc.

The following is a testimonial from one of our host families:

« Part of my desire to participate in the CWY program as a host family was to provide my children with a greater sense of community and to broaden their understanding of the world around them. It was wonderful to offer this experience to my children when they were young. I am still in touch with some of the students we hosted, we e-mail on occasion. Having these students live with us enriched our lives. I was a single mother and these students brought a vibrant energy into our home and extended our day to day life experiences. We all learned and grew from one another. »

Bonnie Potter, Host family, British Columbia

A list of our current Canadian host communities will be available soon.. Please note that CWY host communities change every few years.

If you are interested in becoming a host family, contact us at communication@cwj-jcm.org. Please make sure to specify the region where you live.

N.B.: This offer applies only to families residing in Canada.