

# Teen Philanthropy Initiative

Naperville Area Philanthropy & Community Service Teen Leadership Program



KidsMatter is excited to offer a **NEW AMAZING** learning opportunity for Naperville juniors this year...the Naperville Area Philanthropy & Community Service Teen Leadership Program. Participants will learn about the Three Pillars Initiative (TPI) of Philanthropy throughout the program.

This program offers students a way to engage in charitable giving, fund raising, and service projects in your community.

1. Charitable Giving: Teens use the money they raise to make a real impact on their community through acts of giving.
2. Fund Raising: Teens engage in activities that expand their knowledge and hone their skills in donor solicitation, communications and marketing with individual donors, foundation program officers and business executives.
3. Service Projects: Teens are trained to recognize and seize opportunities to proactively address felt needs and service gaps in their local community.

Following an application/interview process, **30 students are selected for the program** during their junior year, where they are introduced to budgeting, as well as other general areas of the nonprofit sector. By their senior year, students dive into the world of fundraising by launching a 9-month campaign, where they will use proven techniques to solicit donations that eventually go towards local nonprofit organizations the following year.

**The program meets on the third Wednesday of each month, October through May, from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.** There will also be mandatory volunteering and site visit sessions outside of the scheduled meeting times. Any Naperville area high school junior is eligible to apply, and students must make a commitment to participate for two years - both their junior and senior years. Students have the opportunity to receive college credit from North Central College for this program. **Applications are due by September 29.**

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