**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS SUMMIT**

**November 5, 2016**

**Toronto, Ontario**

**What is the Foundation Fighting Blindness National Young Leaders Program?**

In 2015, the Foundation Fighting Blindness (FFB) launched the National Young Leaders Program. The goal of this program is to build a community where blind and visually impaired youth can experience mentorship, grow as leaders, and create positive change.

Visit our website to watch a video on the National Young Leaders Program and learn more details about how you can get involved:

<http://ffb.ca/introducing-the-foundation-fighting-blindness-national-young-leaders-program/>

**Who can apply?**

* Blind or visually impaired persons (ages 17 through 29), who live in Canada.

**Why participate?**

As a National Young Leader, you will:

* Experience professional leadership training
* Build your personal and professional network
* Develop advocacy skills
* Identify ways to take action in your community

**When and where will it take place?**

**DATE:** November 5, 2016

**LOCATION**: Toronto, Ontario – specific venue will be announced soon

**How much will it cost to participate?** FREE! We have a scholarship fund established to help offset the cost of travel. Details about the scholarship will soon be posted to the ffb.ca website.

**How to apply? Proceed to the next page for the application form and instructions.**

**NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS SUMMIT 2016 APPLICATION FORM**

Complete the online application or email your application directly to Dr. Mary Sunderland, Director of Research and Education: [msunderland@ffb.ca](mailto:msunderland@ffb.ca) before Friday, September 16, 2016.

**PART 1: CONTACT and GENERAL INFORMATION**

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone number:

Education (Are you a student? Where do you attend school and what are you studying?):

Employment (current and/or last job):

Volunteer roles:

Did you participate in the 2015 Summit? Y/N

Have you participated in any Young Leaders events? Y/N

**PART 2: PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS** (you may use an extra page, if necessary)

1. What leadership topics and skills are you most interested in?

Select from the following multiple choice list and/or list a different topic

* Personal leadership development
* Leading teams
* Team building
* Communication
* Networking
* Problem solving
* Mentoring skills
* Strategic planning
* Project management
* Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. What skills and experiences will you contribute to the Young Leaders group?

3. What do you hope to achieve by participating in the Young Leaders Summit?

*Please state one personal goal*