

# CIVIC AMBASSADOR



Are you looking to become part of a national coalition of youth leaders committed to civic and community engagement? Join Close Up as a **Civic Ambassador**, an exciting opportunity to make a real, positive impact on local and global communities!

This year-long role helps you develop the skills of active citizenship and responsible leadership. Along the way, you'll engage with local leaders and receive valuable guidance from experts in civic education. You can even work toward earning a microcredential to share on your resume and applications! Your service and civic engagement hours may also count toward your school graduation requirements or your state's civic engagement diploma seal (available to students in Arizona, California, Georgia, Nevada, New York, and Virginia as of 2024).

## ELIGIBILITY

If you're a student in grade 7-12 with an interest in civics, community engagement, and making a positive impact on the world, this exciting opportunity is for you. To get started, [apply today!](#)

## PROGRAM DETAILS

Once you're accepted, you commit to serving for a renewable term of one year, organizing at least two civic engagement activities in that year, and submitting your stories and impact through the MobileServe app. To help you, Close Up provides monthly toolkits and recommendations for organizing impactful activities!

### Requirements and highlights of the program include:

- Organizing at least two civic engagement activities in your school or local community during the school year.
- Using the MobileServe app to track your activities, submit photos, and give feedback on your experiences.
- Becoming a civic influencer in Close Up's online community, including on [social media](#) and the [Current Issues Blog](#).
- Receiving special invitations to Close Up events with experts in the field to help you earn hours.
- Gaining the tools and strategies to be a civic leader at your school and in your community.

## CLOSE UP CIVIC AMBASSADOR MICROCREDENTIAL

If you would like to receive a Close Up Civic Ambassador microcredential to share on your resume and high school/college applications, you will be required to complete four civic and/or community engagement events along with two reflections (one written, one video). Please note the additional activities to earn a microcredential are optional and not a requirement to become a Civic Ambassador.

## THE APPLICATION PROCESS

The application includes a one-minute video or short essay response to the following prompt: How should young people contribute to their community? What has inspired you to get involved and apply to be a Close Up Civic Ambassador? [Apply today!](#)

## ABOUT CLOSE UP

Close Up is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, civic education organization that informs, inspires, and empowers young people to become active citizens. Since 1971, we have partnered with school districts nationwide to serve more than one million students and educators through experiential learning programs, professional development, and curriculum design and consulting. Through our National Network of Schools in Partnership (NNSP) division, we design, plan, and implement civic and community engagement programming to connect what students learn in class to the real world around them.

