



Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT IS CAMP ANYTOWN LAS VEGAS?

As a leading catalyst & facilitator of community change, Camp Anytown Las Vegas provides youth leadership development while embracing & celebrating a diverse society. This is not a classroom or lecture type of environment, but rather a unique curriculum with lots of hands of activities & discussions. Delegates will confront issues regarding racism, stereotypes, gender, body types, class & privilege. Participants unanimously say that the week is profound & life-changing, enabling them to appreciate others in an accepting & understanding fashion.

HOW WILL ANYTOWN HELP ME?

Teens who experience Camp Anytown leave the program equipped with the tools to increase their ability to foster inclusion & respect among all members of society. The key to our success is bringing young people of all races, cultures, religions & backgrounds together for a challenging week of learning, sharing & change.

HOW MUCH DOES ANYTOWN COST?

The cost to attend camp is **covered entirely** by the Interfaith Council of Southern Nevada & other sponsors who truly believe that no youth should ever have to pay to become a leader in their community. It costs us \$350 to for each student at attend camp so we only ask that you notify us immediately if you are unable to attend so another student may experience camp.

HOW MANY STUDENTS WILL BE ATTENDING?

Approximately 65-70 high school students from different high schools attend each Anytown session & participants are supported throughout the week by 35 volunteer staff members.

WHAT ABOUT THE FACILITY, HOUSING AND MEALS?

Camp Anytown is held at Camp Lee Canyon, 45 minutes away from Las Vegas. Transportation is provided from Las Vegas to camp & back. Delegates sleep in cabins that are all equipped with heaters. Meals are served three times a day & snacks/water are available 24/7. If your child has a food allergy or a special diet (vegetarian, gluten free, etc.), please notify us in advance so we can accommodate them. We also have an EMT I/AEMT available at camp 24/7 who handles all our medical needs.



WHAT BASICS SHOULD I BRING?

We will provide a suggested packing list once accepted, but please be sure to bring enough clothes for 4 days. You will need warm clothing, shower shoes, & closed-toe shoes. You must bring your own bedding (a sleeping bag works great), towels & toiletries. Also, consider bringing a flashlight or headlamp. If you are unable to obtain these items, please let us know so we can cover those items.

WHAT SPECIAL THINGS SHOULD I BRING?

One of the special programs during camp is “Anytown Night” where we share & appreciate our heritages with cultural singing, dancing, clothing, objects & customs. Please bring whatever you can to share with everyone, but this is not a requirement to attend camp. Some examples are native clothing, artifacts, musical instruments, pictures, & poems. Songs & dances that are part of your culture are also very special to share at Anytown.

WHERE DOES ANYTOWN GETS ITS STAFF?

The Anytown staff is made up of a diverse group of volunteers from varying religions, races, genders, & backgrounds across various fields such as education, social work, non-profit, government, criminal justice, retail, & college. Several volunteers are former student delegates of Camp Anytown. All volunteers are background checked prior to camp & receive 25 hours of training.

CAN I CALL/TEXT MY CHILD WHILE AT CAMP?

Camp Anytown Las Vegas is a technology free space – we ask that students give up their cell phones upon arrival & we keep them in a safe until departure. This not only limits the distractions & allows us to really dive deep into what camp is about. Also, there is no cell reception on the mountain, however we do have a landline available for emergency use only.

WHAT DO I DO IF I NEED TO CANCEL?

Please call the Director, Rico Ocampo at (702) 722-8517 or send a cancellation email to info@campanytownlasvegas.org. It is important that you notify us as soon as possible so that we can fill your spot. We have an average of 350 students apply per camp, however, we are only able to take 65 students which means we always have hundreds of students on the waitlist. If you no-call no-show on the day you’re supposed to leave for camp, you will not be allowed to attend our program in the future.