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## CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY

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**REQUIREMENT 2A:**

ON A MAP OF YOUR COMMUNITY, LOCATE AND POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING:

1. CHIEF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS SUCH AS YOUR CITY HALL, COUNTY COURTHOUSE, AND PUBLIC WORKS / SERVICES FACILITY
2. FIRE STATION, POLICE STATION, AND HOSPITAL NEAREST YOUR HOME
3. HISTORICAL OR OTHER INTERESTING POINTS

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 2B:**

CHART THE ORGANIZATION OF YOUR LOCAL OR STATE GOVERNMENT. SHOW THE TOP OFFICES AND TELL WHETHER THEY ARE ELECTED OR APPOINTED. (USE A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER IF MORE ROOM IS NEEDED)

Notes:

Top Office #1: \_\_\_\_\_  elected  appointed

Top Office #2: \_\_\_\_\_  elected  appointed

Top Office #3: \_\_\_\_\_  elected  appointed



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**REQUIREMENT 3A:** ATTEND A CITY OR TOWN COUNCIL OR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING, OR A MUNICIPAL, COUNTY, OR STATE COURT SESSION.

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 3B:** CHOOSE ONE OF THE ISSUES DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WHERE A DIFFERENCE OF OPINIONS WAS EXPRESSED, AND EXPLAIN TO YOUR COUNSELOR WHY YOU AGREE WITH ONE OPINION MORE THAN YOU DO ANOTHER ONE.

Notes:



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**REQUIREMENT 4:** CHOOSE AN ISSUE THAT IS IMPORTANT TO THE CITIZENS OF YOUR COMMUNITY; THEN DO THE FOLLOWING:

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 4A:** FIND OUT WHICH BRANCH OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ISSUE.

Branch:

**REQUIREMENT 4B:** WITH YOUR COUNSELOR'S AND A PARENT'S APPROVAL, INTERVIEW ONE PERSON FROM THE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT YOU IDENTIFIED IN REQUIREMENT 4A.

Person to interview:

Notes:

\_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

\_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  approved

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  approved

Date



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**REQUIREMENT 4B:** ASK WHAT IS BEING DONE ABOUT THIS ISSUE AND HOW YOUNG PEOPLE CAN HELP.

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 4C:** SHARE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED WITH YOUR COUNSELOR.

Notes:



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**REQUIREMENT 5:** WITH THE APPROVAL OF YOUR COUNSELOR AND A PARENT, WATCH A MOVIE THAT SHOWS HOW THE ACTIONS OF ONE INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS CAN HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT ON A COMMUNITY.

Movie Title:

\_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

\_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

approved

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

approved

**REQUIREMENT 5:** DISCUSS WITH YOUR COUNSELOR WHAT YOU LEARNED FROM THE MOVIE ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A VALUABLE AND CONCERNED MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY.

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**REQUIREMENT 6:** LIST SOME OF THE SERVICES (SUCH AS LIBRARY, RECREATION CENTER, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, AND PUBLIC SAFETY) YOUR COMMUNITY PROVIDES THAT ARE FUNDED BY TAXPAYERS. TELL YOUR COUNSELOR WHY THESE SERVICES ARE IMPORTANT TO YOUR COMMUNITY.

Service #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #4: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:



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Service #5: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #6: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #7: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:

Service #8: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance to community:



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**REQUIREMENT 7A:** CHOOSE A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION OUTSIDE OF SCOUTING THAT INTERESTS YOU AND BRINGS PEOPLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER TO WORK FOR THE GOOD OF YOUR COMMUNITY.

Charitable Organization:

**REQUIREMENT 7B:** USING A VARIETY OF RESOURCES (INCLUDING NEWSPAPERS, FLIERS AND OTHER LITERATURE, THE INTERNET, VOLUNTEERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION), FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS ORGANIZATION.

Resource #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Resource #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Resource #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Resource #4: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:



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Resource #5: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Resource #6: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

Resource #7: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 7C:** WITH YOUR COUNSELOR'S AND YOUR PARENT'S APPROVAL, CONTACT THE ORGANIZATION AND FIND OUT WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE CAN DO TO HELP.

Charitable Organization to contact:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

approved

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

approved



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**REQUIREMENT 7C:** WHILE WORKING ON THIS MERIT BADGE, VOLUNTEER AT LEAST EIGHT HOURS OF YOUR TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

Volunteer Time Sheet				
Date	In Time	Out Time	Total Time	Supervisor sign off

**REQUIREMENT 7C:** AFTER YOUR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE IS OVER, DISCUSS WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED WITH YOUR COUNSELOR.

Notes:



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**REQUIREMENT 8:**

DEVELOP A PUBLIC PRESENTATION (SUCH AS A VIDEO, SLIDE SHOW, SPEECH, DIGITAL PRESENTATION, OR PHOTO EXHIBIT) ABOUT IMPORTANT AND UNIQUE ASPECTS OF YOUR COMMUNITY. INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE HISTORY, CULTURES, AND ETHNIC GROUPS OF YOUR COMMUNITY; ITS BEST FEATURES AND POPULAR PLACES WHERE PEOPLE GATHER; AND THE CHALLENGES IT FACES. STAGE YOUR PRESENTATION IN FRONT OF YOUR MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR OR A GROUP, SUCH AS YOUR PATROL OR A CLASS AT SCHOOL.

Notes: