

# John Trimble Youth Legislative Experience

APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE: **September 1**

-Applications must be sent to the National Grange Youth Development Director-  
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## Opportunities for Legislative Experience

National Convention Youth Legislative Experience will provide opportunities for one or two Grange Youth, age 16 – 35, with an interest in the legislative aspect of the National Grange to see the inner workings of committees and the grassroots legislative policy development effort at the National Grange Convention.

- Each youth will serve on one of the legislative committees reviewing resolutions as a voting member of the committee and as a youth staff assistant to the National Grange Legislative Director. Participants will watch the delegate body take action on the resolutions and assist in other ways.
- An individual may participate in the program a maximum of one time.
- As a youth staff assistant, they will be assigned some additional logistical duties so that they can see how the backroom production process works at the convention. These duties will not conflict with the opportunities of seeing the National Delegates work on the floor.
- As guests of the National Grange their room cost will be paid (room to be shared with other participants) plus meals or tickets to certain meal functions.
- Transportation will be the participant's responsibility.
- Any participant who fails to comply with the guidelines set up will be expected to pay their own expenses.
- Applications will be submitted to the National Youth Development Director, who will share applications with National Legislative Director and National President in making selection of participant(s) and assignment to committee.
- Applicants must have attended a regional conference the same year they apply and participate in the Impromptu Speech or Grange Commercial contest. If applicant is their state winner for prepared speech or sign a song contest they will fulfill this requirement.
- Please include letters of recommendation from your Subordinate/Community Grange President, state youth director (if applicable) and your State Grange President. Letters of recommendation should be from the year of application.
- Applications can be obtained from your State Youth Director, the National Youth Development Director, State President or the National Grange Website at [www.nationalgrangeyouth.org](http://www.nationalgrangeyouth.org).

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Grange Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grange No. \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ National Convention Region \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of Jan. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Biographical Information:** Description (5-8 lines) about yourself and/or family to be used for display purposes through the National Session. Enclose or send 3 4"x6" color photos including one picture of the family. The pictures and bio will be scanned and be included on a video that will play throughout various functions throughout National Session.

Date of joining Grange \_\_\_\_\_ Total average meeting attendance in past year \_\_\_\_\_

Number of regular Subordinate Grange meeting held in the last year \_\_\_\_\_

Number of regular Subordinate Grange meetings you attended this last year \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Degree held in the Grange? \_\_\_\_\_

Current Office or Committees serving on?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Grange Experience** (Please Provide Information on a separate sheet)

- A. Subordinate/Community Grange Years
- B. State/National Years
- C. Subordinate Offices Held or Committees
- D. State Offices Held or Committees
- E. Any additional Grange experience you'd like to share.

**Leadership Experience** (Please provide information on a separate sheet)

- A. Community and Service Programs participated in by you and leadership given (civic and service clubs, professional organizations, church, school, etc.)
- B. List significant offices held or awards achieved while participating in your organizations.
- C. What additional award(s) and recognition have you received in the past?
- D. What are your leadership goals for the next five years?
- E. Legislative Experience you have participated in to date: (For Example, resolutions written, state convention delegate or attendance at business sessions, local government experience, etc.)
- F. How do you plan to use this experience in your own Grange, Pomona or State?

What is your legislative area of interest? Please prioritize 1,2,3,etc...

\_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship & Public Affairs

\_\_\_\_\_ Agriculture

\_\_\_\_\_ Conservation & Natural Resources

\_\_\_\_\_ Education & Health

\_\_\_\_\_ Labor & Judiciary

\_\_\_\_\_ Transportation &Taxation

Applicant's Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Parent's Signature (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

**Subordinate Grange Certification**

This will certify that the above-named person is an active member in good standing of our Grange and is eligible to participate in this program, and that the information contained in this report is correct to my knowledge.

Youth Chairman (Signature)\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_

Subordinate President (Signature)\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_

**State Certification**

State Youth Director (Signature)\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_

State President (Signature)\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the National Grange Youth Development Director postmarked by September 1.

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