

# 2018 UNITY MIDYEAR CONFERENCE FAQs

## FAQs and common questions

### **Can we submit registration name changes? And when is the last day to submit name changes?**

You may go online to the registration website and submit name changes, otherwise you may change it on site.

### **Can I get a registration reimbursement?**

Cancellations between December 1 and December 15 will receive a 50% refund. No refunds for cancellations after December 15, 2017. Cancellation and refund requests must be made in writing via mail or email to: [UNITYregistration@rhq.com](mailto:UNITYregistration@rhq.com). Please note: UNITY is no longer granting registration credits for cancellations.

### **Can I attend the conference by myself, if I'm 18, without chaperone?**

All youth participants ages 14-24 must be chaperoned.

### **Do advisors or chaperones have to register?**

Yes, all participants, including chaperones are required to have a name badge to access all sessions.

### **Is there a one-day registration fee?**

Yes, there will be a one day conference fee available on-line or on site. It's \$65 for Tuesday or Wednesday, January 2 or 3. It's \$75 for Thursday, January 4 (includes lunch).

### **Can we pay a fee to attend just the luncheon?**

No, the luncheon is for registered participants.

### **Is there a dress code for the conference?**

Casual dress each day. National UNITY Council Reps (male and female) are asked to dress in professional attire for the Business Meeting on Thursday, January 4.

### **Will there be other host hotels with discounted rates?**

Tempe Mission Palms is the only host hotel. If rooms are sold out, you may check hotel sites like hotels.com.

### **Do I have to be in a UNITY affiliated youth council to attend the conference?**

No, but we encourage all youth councils to find out how to become affiliated and take advantage of the benefits, otherwise you are welcome to attend as an individual.

**Are students under the age of 14 allowed to attend?**

Yes, however, parents and advisors must consider whether topics and length of sessions are age appropriate.

**Can I participate in the conference if I'm not a U.S. citizen?**

Yes, you can participate in our conference, however, per the National UNITY Council Constitution and Bylaws, youth participants who wish to vote in the business meeting are required to be a U.S. citizen. You may be an observer if you are not a U.S. citizen.

**What will the weather be like in Phoenix/Tempe, during the conference days?**

The weather will be in the mid 60s, with sunny skies or partly cloudy with small chance of rain, with a low in the 40's in the evening.

**I'm an Exhibitor. Will electrical power be available for my booth space?**

Exhibitors and workshop presenters must specify ahead of time if they have any audio or visual needs. A charge may apply.

**What will my workshop room be equipped with?**

Chairs and a podium.

**What are the parking fees?**

Valet parking or self-parking is included in the guest room rate. Should there be any individuals attending the conference that are not registered guests in the hotel, parking is available on a complimentary basis through the hotel's valet parking. The hotel will also provide the UNITY group with a parking code to be used by those wanting to self-park in any of the metered parking spaces located around the hotel.

**How far from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport is the hotel/conference site?**

The distance to conference site, from the Airport is approximately 4 miles from the airport.

**Will there be transportation to and from the airport provided?**

Yes, hotel transportation will be provided daily every half-hour starting at 5:30 am to 10:30 p.m. For groups with 20 or more people on the same flight, please coordinate with transportation with the conference services. The Light Rail train (public transportation) also stops at both the hotel and airport. (Terminals 3 & 4 at Sky Harbor International Airport, jump on the Sky Train and it will then take you from the airport terminals to the main Light Rail line.) From there, take the light rail east, to get off at "*Mill Ave & 3<sup>rd</sup> Street*" Station, or the next station at "*Veterans Way & College.*" Tempe Mission Palms hotel is between the two stations.)

**What are the fees for the public transportation?**

Local fare is \$1.75 for single trips and \$3.00 for the express fare.

**What are some fun things to do around Tempe?**

While we expect our conference to be busy with plenty of activities on the schedule, there are plenty places in the local area to visit. Check out <http://www.downtowntempe.com/>

Other options include the following:

- Tempe Market Place (outdoor shopping)
- Arizona Mills Mall (indoor mall)
- Local Hikes (A-mountain, Camelback Mountain)
- Tempe Beach Park
- Phoenix Zoo
- Desert Botanical Gardens
- OdySea Aquarium

**Will there be places to eat near by to the conference site?**

There will be plenty of places to eat around the Mill Ave Downtown District.

**Where can I go for medical help, if needed?**

Here are two you can use for non-emergency services:

*Phoenix Indian Health Service (IHS)*

4212 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street

Phoenix, Arizona, 85016.

(602)-263-1200

*Native Health*

4041 North Central Ave. Building C.

Phoenix, Arizona 85012

(602)-279-5262