



2019 MID-YEAR UNITY CONFERENCE FAQs

- 1. Can we submit registration name changes, and if so, when is the last day to submit?**

A: When registering, you may create an account that will allow you to make changes at another time. Changes can be made up until the online registration deadline. If participant names are unknown when first registering, simply put “TBD”. (TBD = To Be Determined)
- 2. If I cancel my registration can I get a reimbursement?**

A: Yes, only if a cancellation occurs before February 1, 2019, a registration may be refunded with a \$25 cancellation fee per registration.
- 3. Will I be able to get a refund if I don't show up?**

A: No, registration will be forfeited with no future conference credit.
- 4. If I am 18 years of age, can I attend the conference without chaperone?**

A: All youth participants ages 14-24 must be chaperoned.
- 5. Are advisors required to register?**

A: Yes, all participants, including chaperones are required to be registered and must have a name badge to access all sessions and activities.
- 6. Is a one-day registration fee available?**

A: No, there is not a one-day conference registration fee.
- 7. Can I pay to attend the luncheon only?**

A: No, the luncheon is for registered participants.
- 8. Are Purchase Orders accepted when making registrations?**

A: Yes, when registering please note the Purchase Order information or indicate a pending purchase order. A \$25 administrative fee is added to purchase orders to reserve registration(s) until the full amount is received. Invoices for Purchase Orders must be received within 60 days.
- 9. Is there a dress code for the conference?**

A: Yes, we request participants to dress casual to business casual, similar to a school dress code.
- 10. How many people can a sleeping room accommodate at the host hotel, and what is provided?**

A: Every room is a two-room suite that will sleep 4 to 5 people, with two double beds and a living area with a sofa bed/sleeper. A complimentary hot buffet breakfast and afternoon appetizers is offered each day. A microwave and a mini refrigerator are in every room.



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11. **Will there be other host hotels with discounted rates?**
A: No, not at the present time.
12. **Do I have to be in a UNITY affiliated youth council to attend the conference?**
A: No, however, 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 or a group.
13. **Are students under the age of 14 allowed to attend?**
A: Yes, however, parents and advisors must consider whether topics and length of sessions are age appropriate.
14. **Can I participate in the conference if I'm not a U.S. citizen?**
A: 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.
15. **What will the weather be like in Phoenix/Scottsdale, during the conference days?**
A: The weather in Phoenix/Scottsdale in mid-February is typically in the 60's, with sunny skies or partly cloudy with small chance of rain, with a low in the 40's in the evening.
16. **I'm an Exhibitor, will electrical power be available for my booth space?**
A: Exhibitors and workshop presenters must specify ahead of time if they have any audio or visual needs. A charge will apply which you will be required to make direct payment to the conference center (hotel).
17. **What will my workshop room be equipped with?**
A: A podium (no microphone/PA, screen, or projector), one table at the front of the room, and two chairs. Each room is set-up in theatre style seating.
18. **What are the parking fees?**
A: The hotel offers FREE parking at the hotel facility.
19. **How far is the host hotel/conference site from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport?**
A: The host hotel, Embassy Suites, is approximately 10-12 miles from Sky Harbor International Airport.



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20. Is transportation provided to and from the airport?

A: No. We suggest looking into airport shuttle services, taxi services, Uber and Lyft.

21. What are some fun things to do near or around the host hotel/conference site?

A: While we expect our conference to be busy with plenty of activities on the schedule, there are many place in the local area to visit.

These include:

- Tempe Market Place (outdoor shopping)
- Scottsdale Fashion Square (indoor mall)
- Local Hikes (A-mountain, Camelback Mountain)
- Scottsdale Quarters (outdoor shopping)
- Phoenix Zoo
- Desert Botanical Gardens
- Scottsdale Old Town
- OdySea Aquarium

22. Will there be places to eat near the hotel site?

A: There are plenty of fast food places nearby, as well as the Scottsdale Fashion Square mall food court. It's a little more than a half-mile walk. You may take the shuttle to the mall but the number of riders may be limited. Breakfast is complimentary at the host hotel. The host hotel does have a restaurant on-site, Grandada Grill, that serves both lunch and dinner and in-room dining.

23. Where can I go for medical help, if needed?

A: Here are two choices within close proximity:

Phoenix Indian Medical Center (IHS) (8.5 miles from host hotel)

4212 North 16th St.
Phoenix, AZ 85016
(602)-263-1200

HonorHealth Scottsdale Osborn Medical Center (2.2 miles from host hotel)

7400 E Osborn Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85251
(480) 882-4000