



## Youth Handbook

### 4. Guidelines for how an adult conference support a youth conference

#### 4.1. Understand that a youth conference should be independent

- We want the youth to be able to grow as young leaders but your support is needed to help them grow as young VINCENTIAN leaders. You are responsible for making sure they are following the Vincentian rules and working within the community with love, respect, justice and joy. It is important that they remain independent from the adult conference - we want them to focus on their own projects.

#### 4.2. Please provide them with all the necessary items that all conferences should have.

- Introduce them to the prayers cards, our mission statements, the rule book, and any other valuable information you think will be useful to them.  
\*\* Please make it clear to them that they have financial support through you, the adult conference, the PC conference, regional, national and international.

#### 4.3. Build a relationship with them.

- It is important for members of the Youth Executive Team to build a relationship with members of the Adult Conference. They need to know that they can depend on you for ANYTHING. They need to know that when they feel the time is right - they are able to transition from leading the youth to being a member of the adult conference. It is important for growth within the society.

#### 4.4. Invite them to volunteer with the adult conference.

- Whenever there is a BIG event that has been planned, we ask that you invite the young volunteers out to assist because these times are AMAZING for bridging the gap and creating relationships.

#### 4.5. Invite them to National and Regional meetings

- They can meet youth from all over Canada through these meetings. It is important for youth to know that this is not an aging conference - that they have people their age working within the society.