

## Survey Summary

### What is the purpose of the survey?

The American Institutes for Research developed a survey to learn more about youth-serving professionals and volunteers in the youth fields. These are adults who work with young people in any capacity outside of the regular school day. Examples include summer camp counselors, sports coaches, music teachers, museum educators, youth librarians, and afterschool program staff. Through the [Power of Us Workforce Survey](#), youth-serving professionals and volunteers can contribute to a national effort to explore, define, and elevate their work with youth. The resulting data from this survey can be used to inform policy, practice, and research to support the youth-fields workforce.

### Who is eligible to participate?

Adults who have worked in **paid** and/or **volunteer** positions in the youth fields within the last 5 years should complete the survey.

### What does the survey ask about?

Below is a table that lists topics covered in the questionnaire. The table indicates which respondent group is asked about each topic.

Topic	Staff		Volunteers	
	Current	Former	Current	Former
<b>Current/most recent job/volunteer position in the youth fields</b>				
<i>Sector</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Type of organization</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Role</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>		
<i>Type of employee</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>		
<i>Work/volunteer location</i>	<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>	
<b>Number of years in the youth fields</b>		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>
<b>Reason for leaving the youth fields</b>		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>
<b>Current employment status</b>				
<i>Type of employee</i>		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Sector</i>		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<b>Plans to return to the youth fields</b>		<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>
<b>First job in the youth fields</b>	<input type="radio"/>			

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	Current	Former	Current	Former
Number of jobs in the youth fields	<input type="radio"/>			
Career trajectory	<input type="radio"/>			
Professional learning opportunities	<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>	
Benefits	<input type="radio"/>			
Perceptions of experiences on the job	<input type="radio"/>			
Professional values and needs	<input type="radio"/>			
Professional certifications and associations	<input type="radio"/>			
Plans to transition to paid staff			<input type="radio"/>	
<b>Demographics</b>				
<i>Education</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Gender</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Year of birth</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Race/ethnicity</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Compensation</i>	<input type="radio"/>			

## What are the benefits of participating?

By participating in this survey, respondents are helping elevate and acknowledge the critical work they and their colleagues do for young people. Participation is easy and does not take much time (10–15 minutes). In addition, the more people who participate, the more information practitioners, policymakers, and researchers will have to inform supports for the workforce.

Respondents are able to complete this survey anonymously if they choose. They have the option to share their email address to enter into a monthly drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift code. The sooner they complete the survey, the more chances they will have to win! They also have the option to share their contact information if they are willing to participate in future interviews or surveys about the workforce.

## Contact Us + Help Promote the Survey

For more information about the survey, or to learn about partnership opportunities to help promote the Power of Us Survey campaign, please email the study team at [powerofus@air.org](mailto:powerofus@air.org) or call us at 1-844-849-5247.

