

How to become an AYSO Volunteer

First of all, welcome to AYSO and thank you for volunteering. AYSO is truly a wonderful organization with great people. It runs so efficiently because of the great volunteers we have in Region 50.

In order to volunteer, we need you to fill out an application. These applications are approved by AYSO National. No one is totally approved until we receive National's approval and Safe Haven is completed.

Unfortunately, if you have had a prior arrest, AYSO may need to ask you to wait several years to volunteer depending on the conviction. If this is your situation, you may contact National yourself to find out if you might be approved or you may contact me.

The volunteer application is found on the www.eayso.org site or you may follow the links from the www.redlandsayso.org site. You will need to fill out the application in its entirety. The social security number as well as the driver's license are blocked on the screen. The only one that has access to it is the Head of the Safe Haven Department at AYSO National. It is necessary because they run the applications through a background check.

Once you are done completing your application, please bring **two** copies of the application with you to a ID badge night. We will check your application against your ID and have you sign the paperwork. Then we will make a badge for you. When you receive your badge and your AYSO number, you will need to take Safe Haven. If you want to take Safe Haven before you bring in your paperwork, you will need to contact me. I can process the application and give you an AYSO number. With the number you can log on and take the Safe Haven Course.

Safe Haven is an online course designed to ensure that we keep all the children safe and well cared for. It should take you a half hour or so. Once you have completed Safe Haven and your application is processed through National, you are a certified AYSO volunteer! Welcome.

Now, I know several of you will have problems. Several people seem not to be able to print their application. Please try to follow the prompts and make sure to look at all the available buttons.

We process many many volunteers and I can not possibly print them all or enter the data for all. Please be patient, we are all volunteers with jobs and children and sometimes it takes a little while to respond to emails.

If you really cannot do it, contact me via email below or National. We should be able to walk you through the process.

AYSO National: Safe Haven Department
1-800-872-2976 ex 5495

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