

2018 Summer Leadership Opportunities

Deadline to apply is February 10th, but an expression of interest right away is preferred!

HOW TO APPLY?

1. Review the program dates and leadership descriptions located in this document. Select your program preference based on the type of leadership opportunity you'd like, the age group you prefer to work with, and your available dates. **Do NOT select a program based on where you would like to travel to! 95% of CISV programs take place inside a camp setting. The uniqueness of this opportunity happens inside, not outside.**
2. Email a quick expression of interest to leadership@cisvvancouver.ca . Please tell us, in 3 to 5 sentences, why you are interested in applying, which program(s) you would like to be considered for, and why.
3. Download the **required forms** from <http://cisvvancouver.ca/volunteers/>
 - A) Leader Application
 - B) Record Check Info
 - C) CRC Volunteer Letter
 - D) Reference Form
4. Complete the **leader application form** to the best of your abilities. When completed, email it to leadership@cisvvancouver.ca .
5. Send the **reference form** to 2 adults of your choice (no family members or relatives please). If you have been involved in CISV before, please have one of those references be from a CISV chapter. Otherwise, select people who can vouch for your work ethic and any childcare or leadership skills that you have. Ask the references to complete the form and email it to leadership@cisvvancouver.ca **before February 20th**.
5. Unless you have already submitted a Criminal Record Check to our chapter in the last three years, read the **Record Check Info** and print the **CRC Volunteer Letter**. Go to your nearest police detachment and request a check be done that includes the vulnerable sector (ie: the clearance to work with children). Note that you must go to the Police or RCMP within the city that you live in (ie: Vancouver, West Vancouver, Coquitlam, etc) and that all fees should be waived once you present the volunteer letter. If you live in Vancouver, this process could take 1-2 weeks, so please go right away. In the suburbs, you usually walk out with the check within minutes. *When you have it, photograph it and email it to leadership@cisvvancouver.ca. Then, keep it in a very safe place until we see you.*
6. Make a note of the mandatory leadership dates in your calendar. See the next section of this document for more details.

REQUIRED DATES & TIME COMMITMENT

- CISV Vancouver, like all 70+ CISV chapters around the world, is 100% volunteer run. Your commitment as a summer program leader is very time consuming, but also, incredibly rewarding. There is absolutely no other program like it and, regardless of your age or background, you will take away so much from this unique experience.
- When looking at the program dates, please allow for 2 extra days on either end for travel. Sometimes the flights do not line up perfectly with the start or end of the program and, therefore, delegations end up staying an extra day or arriving early.
- Regardless of the program that you end up leading, we encourage you to spend some time with your delegation of Vancouver-area youth before the summer. These “delegation bonding” dates are set around your schedule and that of the participating families. Activities can be anything from a pizza / movie night to laser tag to activity preparation & delegation planning. Typically, delegates are encouraged to meet 2 or 3 times a month (minimum) for the 3 months leading up to the program.
- There are a few other dates that are set, in advance, and **must be accommodated** for in your schedule:
 - o National leadership training weekend: May 4 – 6th (in Victoria)
 - o “Meet the Leader” event: Sunday, March 11th (time TBA, likely around 2pm)
 - o Delegation training session: Sunday, May 13 (date to be confirmed)
 - o Farewell Picnic: Sunday, June 10 (afternoon)
 - o Peace Night / Return home potluck: Sunday, September 16th (late afternoon/evening)
- Other requirements that will be set once we have all the 2018 traveling leaders in place:
 - o Local leadership training (either one full weekend or 3-4 evenings throughout April & May)
 - o First Aid training (if you do not currently have it)
- Additional CISV Vancouver dates. Not mandatory, but strongly encouraged for new leaders:
 - o Regional Mini Camp (in Victoria): Fri to Sun, April 13 to 15th
 - o “Cookie Bake” (a local overnight youth event in Vancouver): Sat/Sun, April 21st & 22nd
 - o Fall Mini Camp (Vancouver): October 12 – 14 or 19-21 (to be confirmed)

Please be aware that ALL EXPENSES ARE COVERED for traveling leaders. These costs include everything from going on pre-camp excursions with your delegations, training costs, 1st aid, travel and program fees.

(exception: the Junior Leader position on Canada’s PEACE BUS program pays travel and participation fees)



2018 PROGRAM DATES

village

(28 days; 11 year olds; delegation size of 4 kids & 1 leader)

1. June 29 – July 26: Monterrey, Mexico
2. July 6 – August 2: Rhone, France
3. July 19 – August 15: Guangzhou, China

youth Meeting

(15 days; 12 & 13 year olds; delegation size of 6-8 kids & 1 leader)

1. June 22 to July 6: Springfield, Massachusetts, USA

interchange

(4 weeks; 13 & 14 year olds; delegation size of 8-10 kids & 2 leaders)

1. July 5 to August 7: 1st two weeks in Graz, Austria / 2nd two weeks at home in Vancouver

step up

(21 days; 15 year olds; delegation size of 4 kids & 1 leader)

1. July 6 to July 28: Amager, Denmark

peace bus

(two 6-week cross Canada journeys in a 15-passenger van. 12 youth & 2 leaders per trip)

1. June 24 – August 2nd (Victoria to Halifax, 15/16 year olds) *note, this leg also has a Jr. Leader position for a 19 yr old*
2. July 25 – September 2nd (Halifax to Victoria, 16 to 18 year olds)

CISV PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

village

(28 days; 11 year olds; delegation size of 4 kids & 1 leader)

CISV's flagship program; started in 1951. Delegations travel to the Village from 12 different countries. As a leader, you work with a team of 11 other leaders, 6 junior counsellors, and 5 volunteer staff to plan, run and evaluate the activities every day for a 4-week program while looking out for your delegation. It can be a very demanding program (both physically and emotionally) but exceptionally rewarding for those who love working with young children, want the full CISV-immersion experience, and who are excited by spending a summer surrounded by energy and ideas from all around the world.

youth Meeting

(15 days; 12 & 13 year olds; delegation size of 6-8 kids & 1 leader)

Originally designed as a short local summit to talk about regional issues, Youth Meetings are for varying ages and they can be one or two weeks in length. As a leader for a youth meeting, you are working with a team of only 4 other leaders to encourage youth to have an immersive study of cultural issues. Youth are expected to assist with planning their own activities while the volunteer camp staff oversee all logistics. Leading these programs are wonderful opportunities for adults with leadership experience and a strong passion for the CISV international theme of the year (2018 theme is diversity). While there are loads of 'just for fun' activities, it can be really rewarding to watch the youth engage in more serious discussions while instigating plans to change the world!

interchange

(4 weeks; 13 & 14 year olds; delegation size of 8-10 kids & 2 leaders)

Deviating from the norm of CISV's programs, the Interchange is a cultural exchange program. There are only 2 delegations involved and they take turns hosting each other over a one-month period (2 weeks in each country). The leaders for this program need to be in regular communication with each other leading up to camp, as they work together to plan the logistics and activities of the program (with the help of an Interchange Coordinator in each country). But, once the program starts, everything has been already planned out in advance! The (approx.) 14 days in each country are spent doing a mix of CISV themed activities, sightseeing and volunteering in the community. Each delegate and leader are partnered up, in advance, and hosted in the home of their partner. Therefore, the leaders – for this program – are not with their delegates 24/7, unlike the other programs.

step up

(21 days; 15 year olds; delegation size of 4 kids & 1 leader)

At a “Step Up” (formerly called “Summer Camp”), the youth are in charge! The leaders work with the volunteer staff to oversee the camp, facilitate planning groups, and help the youth troubleshoot camp schedules, rules, and other logistics. The Step Up is where the youth really get to exercise their planning, leadership and evaluation skills while learning from each other and their leaders. This program is ideal for adults who love to mentor and inspire youth, while taking a step back from actual activity planning. In addition to the team of 5 volunteer staff, you will be joined by adult leaders from 7 or 8 other countries. The Step Up programs are shorter and smaller than Villages.

peace bus

(two 6-week cross Canada journeys in a 15-passenger van. 12 youth & 2 leaders per trip)

Unique to CISV Canada, the “Peace Bus” drives across our huge country twice every summer. Led by two adults, a dozen teenagers from all across Canada embark on a 6-week journey. The leaders drive the van, supervise / facilitate / inspire the youth participants, and work in tandem with the National Peace Bus Coordinator(s) to run activities in each city that they visit. A day in the life of Peace Bus can be anything from camping, white-water rafting, a museum excursion, to volunteering at a food bank. There is always a mix of CISV themed activities, community initiatives and sightseeing along the way!

Note: The 2 senior leaders on each leg of Peace Bus receive a \$1500 honorarium as it is a much longer commitment than any of our other programs. (The Jr. Leader, 19 yrs old, for the eastbound trip is responsible for his/her own costs as they get the privilege of being the super cool big sibling on the bus who comes along for the ride of a lifetime!) More info: <http://peacebus.ca/leaders/>

Please note minimum leadership ages:

- * **Peace Bus:** 24 years old for senior leaders; 19 years old for Jr. Leader
- * **Interchange:** Either 2 leaders aged 21 & up, or 1 leader 21+ and 1 Jr. Leader 18+
- * **All other travel programs:** Minimum age 21 yrs old
- * **Local involvement only (not a summer program):** 18+ for Jr. Leaders, 21+ for Sr. Leaders



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CISV RESOURCES

cisv videos ...

CISV: leaf story (1 min)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pp2Uj-8SYj4>

CISV: We are one (9 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=diGAn251p0E>

CISV: Dear mom and dad (2 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjARRVbVHok&t=3s>

CISV: short documentary trailer (4 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xDWJkvpJVcl>

cisv vancouver resources ...

Website: www.cisvvancouver.ca

Facebook: CISV Vancouver Leadership (search for group, then request to join)

cisv international resources ...

CISV Canada: <http://www.cisv.org/mycisv/about-us/our-world/americas/cisv-canada/cisv-canada-website/>

CISV International: <http://www.cisv.org/>