



YMCA175 GLOBAL YOUTH EVENT

KEY DETAILS AND FAQs

This resource is for U.S. YMCA staff, volunteers and program participants interested in attending YMCA175 Global Youth Event. **To automatically receive the latest YMCA175 news and announcements, [sign up here](#)** for email updates. For more information, [visit Exchange](#) (for Y staff and volunteers only) or www.ymca.net (for the public).

KEY DETAILS

Dates	Aug. 4-8, 2019
Location	London, England
Registration Fees	<p>Note that these <u>tentative</u> registration costs for U.S. delegates are currently for planning purposes only. Standard registration includes daily admission for the full event, lunch, dinner, and travel card for London.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard registration with hostel accommodation: \$625 (estimated based on current exchange rates) Standard registration without hostel accommodation: \$465 (estimated based on current exchange rates). You will be prompted to book your accommodations during the registration process. The first 100 eligible U.S. delegates to register will receive a discounted early-bird rate of approximately \$540 with hostel accommodation and \$385 without accommodation (estimates based on current exchange rates).
Registration Key Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration opens Aug. 31, 2018 Join the YMCA175 email list for registration updates.
Venue/Lodging	The event venue is ExCeL London . A variety of lodging options suitable for all delegation budgets will be available from hostels to hotels. For planning purposes, assume an average hotel cost of \$150 per night and an average hostel cost of \$50 per night.
Getting There	For planning purposes, note that three airports are within proximity of ExCeL London: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heathrow Airport (90 minutes by public transit, approx. \$15/person one-way) Gatwick Airport (90 minutes by public transit, approx. \$15/person one-way) London City Airport (10 minutes by public transit approx. \$10/person one-way)
Financial Assistance	The planning committee for the U.S. delegation to YMCA175 is currently exploring funding sources for financial assistance. Sign up for the YMCA175 email list to receive information about financial assistance <i>if it becomes available</i> .
Questions?	Email Y-USA at YMCA175@ymca.net
Stay Connected	Stay connected and watch for updates on social media with #YMCA175

FAQS

Event information

WHAT IS YMCA175?

YMCA175 is a global youth event that will bring together more than 5,000 young leaders (ages 16-35) from around the world to **connect** and discuss critical issues impacting youth worldwide, **celebrate** 175 years of the YMCA's impact on youth and communities around the world, and **create** a platform to share ideas and explore solutions towards addressing social challenges.

WHERE AND WHEN DOES THE EVENT TAKE PLACE?

YMCA175 will take place August 4-8, 2019 in London, England – the birthplace of the YMCA!

WHO IS ORGANIZING YMCA175?

YMCA175 is organized by YMCA Europe in partnership with YMCA England & Wales (also the host YMCA), the World Alliance of YMCAs and YMCA of the USA.

WHO IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE?

The YMCA is a global organization with a presence in 119 countries and all YMCA national movements are invited to participate. Event organizers are expecting more than 5,000 young leaders from around the world to participate!

WILL THE U.S. YMCA PARTICIPATE?

Yes! All YMCAs across the U.S. are invited to participate and organize a delegation from their local community. YMCA of the USA – the national resource office for the U.S. YMCA Movement – has convened a U.S. YMCA175 Planning Committee comprised of both national and local staff to coordinate the U.S. Y Movement's participation in this event. The U.S. delegation is expected to include more than 500 youth leaders and volunteers, who are reflective and representative of the communities we serve nationwide.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN YMCA175?

YMCA175 is a unique experience that will benefit participants well beyond the actual event. Delegates will:

- Expand their global perspective, strengthen cultural competencies and develop leadership skills.
- Participate in learning sessions to explore issues impacting youth and meaningfully contribute their ideas, talents and voice to create change.
- Meet peers from around the world and connect to a global network of Y changemakers.
- Contribute to the strategic direction of the YMCA's global youth agenda.
- Be a part of a historic celebration of the YMCA's 175th anniversary of advancing social progress worldwide.

Registration

WHEN DOES REGISTRATION OPEN?

Registration opens on August 31, 2018. Join the [YMCA175 email list](#) to receive automatic updates on the latest registration information.

HOW DO I REGISTER FOR YMCA175?

Registration will take place through YMCA Europe's event site (<https://ymca175.com/>). Please note that all **U.S. delegates should coordinate their registration with their local YMCA**. Individuals who are not affiliated with a YMCA will not be allowed to register/participate.

For more information

HOW DO I STAY CONNECTED?

Whether you are interested in participating as a delegate, a local delegation leader or a volunteer, stay connected in two easy steps:

- 1) Sign up for the [YMCA175 email list](#) (bit.ly/YMCA175) to ensure you receive the latest event information, including registration details (in late summer)
- 2) Join the [YMCA175 Facebook page](#) for the U.S. delegation

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?

- Email: YMCA175@ymca.net
- Information for Y staff: yexchange.org/GlobalEngagement/Pages/YMCA175
- Public website: www.ymca.net/ymca175