

BECAUSE SOMEONE CARED

In May 1995, resident Gary Sessions presented information to the city council on developing a Youth City Council. The purpose being to allow area youth to become involved in a process that teaches, through experience, how to move into a local political arena, as well as experiencing the importance of, the need for, and the rewards of community service.

Because Mr. Sessions and your West Haven City Elected Officials care about our youth, the West Haven Youth City Council, under the leadership of resident Thelma Isaacson, evolved in 1995.

Since then these young residents have provided hundreds of hours of volunteered talent, dedication, and pure sweat labour, creating programs year after year for the betterment of their community.

Their service includes:

- Organizing one of the most successful Easter Egg Hunts held annually for area children. This event has tripled in size since its beginning.
- Annually designing and building the “West Haven City Float” that represents our City in the annual Ogden City Christmas parade. Their float has won an award every year.
- Creating and managing the annual Halloween spook ally. Another successful event that continues to grow bigger each year.
- Planning for and managing the children's games, from sunup to sundown, during our annual West Haven Heritage Day.
- Participating in joint meetings with other Youth City Councils to plan joint service projects that benefit several communities.

These are just a few of the outstanding things that this group does in their “spare time” year round.

The structure of the Youth Council is set up much like that of the West Haven City Council, with certain variations to accommodate a growing member ship. They elect their officials and are given a small budget at the beginning of the fiscal year which has always been reimbursed with their fund raising events.

Everyone is proud of these young adults who are proving that we don't have to worry about our future in their hands.

Anyone who is interested in joining this outstanding group should contact Thelma Isaacson @731-5458.