



Frequently Asked Questions

General Questions

What do you mean by professional?

Think of professional in the broad sense. The Network welcomes everyone into the network regardless of occupation. It is an inclusive network of people from all backgrounds, professions, and lifestyles.

What is the age requirement for a "Young Professional"?

Most of the people who attend our YPG events range in age from 21-40, but we welcome everyone, regardless of age. Whether you have recently graduated, started a new business, re-entered the work force or chosen to advance your career, the Melville Chamber invites you to become part of our network.

Can the Chamber help me get a job?

Not directly, although if you become active you will expand and diversify your network which can lead to career growth.

Does my company need to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce for me to join The Group?

NO, while The YPG is a service of the Melville Chamber, it is not a service exclusive for Chamber members. The Young Professionals Group welcomes young talent to get involved. Visit website www.melvillechamber.org to learn more about The YPG membership.

If my company is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, is there an extra fee for me to join The Young Professionals Group?

No there is no additional fee.

Do I have to be a member of The Young Professionals Group to attend events and programs?

NO, although membership has great benefits and offers, in most cases there is free admission if you are a member.

Is my involvement in The YPG considered a business expense?

Check with your employer.

Can I buy a mailing list of your members?

NO. The Chamber's mailing list is not available in any form.

Membership Questions

How do I become a member of The YPG?

Evaluate membership options and fees. Check if your employer is a current Chamber Member, which gives you free annual membership in the YPG. Select the appropriate option and join online or contact us.

How do I find out if my company is a Chamber Member?

Check our member listing online or contact our office.

What are the benefits of being a member of The YPG!

Individual benefits include: reduced event fees or free admission, receive frequent informative emails. People join The Young Professionals Group (YPG) for many reasons, including to build a more diverse social and professional network, to learn more about our diverse region, to grow as the next generation of leaders, and to get more involved in The Group and the community.

Can my company buy multiple memberships and share them among employees?

Not precisely. However your company can join as a Corporate Member to obtain unlimited memberships for its young thinking employees.

I recently changed companies...am I still a member?

Contact us and we'll let you know.

How much does it cost to be a member?

There is no fee to be in the YPG Group as long as you are a current Corporate Chamber member.

What is anticipated of members?

As a YPG member, you can be as active as you want. We hope you take advantage of your membership. You only get out of what you put into it.

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Do I have to attend a certain amount of events to maintain my membership?

NO, however to receive full benefit in the organization, we recommend attending as many events as possible. Again, You only get out of what you put into it.

Event Questions

What if I come to an event alone?

The Network is a great way to increase your social and professional network. Whether you're new to the area, YPG will help make you feel welcome. The Group creates an environment to make sure you're able to connect and mix and mingle with other young professionals.

Can I attend an event if I am not a member?

You can attend most YPG events as a non-member, although typically there is a fee, but if you join The YPG, you take advantage of the benefits and offers and in most cases there is no fee.

Do I have to register for The Young Professionals Group events?

We ask that you to please RSVP. This helps us accurately estimate how much food and space we will need. Don't ever miss an event because you forgot to RSVP, but please try!

When do you meet?

At the present time, the YPG will meet at least once a month. See our events calendar for upcoming events and programs.

Who decides what events you do?

Volunteer Committees are responsible for event planning in conjunction with The Chamber's staff.

Why should I attend an event?

Attending events is a great way to meet new people, connect with old friends, get informed about the region and grow a diverse network

Volunteering Questions

How can I serve or get more involved with The Young Professionals Group?

First, it is important that you are showing up for events and making your presence known. Limited positions on Action Committees are extended to our most active members, but please inquire. Young Professionals Group is always accepting volunteers to serve as YP Greeters, the people who help welcome members and guests at our events.