



## **Process for all New Volunteers – JJM**

Welcome! Thank you for your interest in volunteering in Denver Area Youth For Christ's Juvenile Justice Ministry!

The process involved to become a volunteer in one of our facilities or to serve as a mentor is a lengthy one and we thank you for your patience throughout! You will complete these general steps – not always in this exact order. You will receive prompting from us but it is always helpful to know what lies ahead! So take a look, prepare yourself, and welcome to the journey!

1. Your first step is to watch all of these videos.
2. After you have watched all of the videos and completed the form at the bottom, one of our staff will follow up with you.
3. When we follow up, we will share a weblink with you that will take you to a list of documents and processes that will need to be completed. Most of these are documents to be read with an online signature option but there is also an application to be completed and additional online abuse prevention training.
4. We will contact your references and run a background check based on some of the information you return.
5. There will be a General training for all potential volunteers following your completion of all of the paperwork. We will keep you informed about when the upcoming training dates are. They are typically also posted on our website [yfcdenver.org/events](http://yfcdenver.org/events) when we schedule one.
6. You and our Juvenile Justice Ministry staff will determine the best potential volunteering option (group, one-on-one, etc.) for your specific situation.
7. We will then connect you with the appropriate chaplain and a phone call or meeting will happen between the two of you.
8. At this point you will complete the paperwork for the specific facility you will be volunteering in (\*The State requires its own paperwork).
9. You will then attend another training – either mentoring or group facilitation depending on which area you choose to serve in.
10. You may begin volunteering when you are cleared through specific facility requirements and all YFC steps have been completed.
11. Your chaplain will provide continual help and supervision for you.
12. Once you begin volunteering, there will be a few on-going trainings throughout the year that are designed to better equip you to serve the youth you will be working with.