



## **Member Application, Information and Responsibilities**

The Ophelia Project and Boys Initiative~ Tampa is seeking dedicated men interested in serving on this year's STRONG Men Board. The board is comprised of a group of young men (18-24) who participate in an innovative leadership training program.

The role of a STRONG Men Board member is very significant to the success of STRONG Men. Members will meet with their Mentor monthly to discuss important issues that will help develop and refine his leadership skills.

In return, members receive the unique and fulfilling opportunity of ongoing interaction with professionals in various industries. There is also the opportunity to meet and network with other members and professionals in the Tampa Bay area.

Finally, the members of the STRONG Men Board will work with his mentor to design a workshop to be presented at a STRONG Men: Jumpstart Your Success Conference. This Program is directed towards the empowerment of young men in high school age range. This is the culminating event of the STRONG Men program and promises to be a memorable experience for everyone.

### **The Responsibilities of a STRONG Men Member**

- Commitment to receiving guidance and support from mentors in order to gain leadership skills
- Attendance at an orientation session and STRONG Men training sessions (*documentation must be presented if you miss more than one meeting*)
- Attendance at the STRONG Men Jumpstart Your Success Conference and GRADUATION EVENT
- Must be at least 18 years of age and no longer in high school
- Pay a program fee of \$100 (not paid until accepted; scholarships available)

### **How to apply**

1. Fill out a Member Application
2. Attach your current resume and the names, phone numbers, and emails of two references.
3. Submit a photo of yourself with your application
4. Send your completed application by September 4, 2009 to:

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**MEMBER APPLICATION FORM**

*Please type your responses and submit along with a resume and business card*

I. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

II. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

III. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

IV. In what area of Tampa Bay do you live? Please type your zip code next to the area that best describes your neighborhood.

South Tampa  
North and New Tampa  
Downtown  
North Pinellas County

Northwest Hillsborough  
University Area  
East Hillsborough  
Saint Petersburg

V. In What area of Tampa Bay do you work and/or attend school? Please type your zip code next to the area that best describes where you work and/or attend school?

South Tampa  
North and New Tampa  
Downtown  
North Pinellas County

Northwest Hillsborough  
University Area  
East Hillsborough  
Saint Petersburg

VI. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

VII. Best Contact Phone number(s): (w): \_\_\_\_\_

(m): \_\_\_\_\_

(h): \_\_\_\_\_

VIII. Highest level of education attained (check one):

\_\_\_ High School

\_\_\_ College

\_\_\_ Graduate/Professional School/Other \_\_\_ Currently Enrolled at \_\_\_\_\_

IX. Ethnicity (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

X. How did you hear about STRONG Men?

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XI. Please list your hobbies and/or interests (supplement with an additional sheet if necessary):

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XII. Which of the following workshop topics would you be interested in developing more skills? Please rank you top three choices.

\_\_\_ Professional Development 101 (resume building, interviewing, networking)

\_\_\_ Professional Development 102 (professional conduct, time management, organizational skills)

\_\_\_ Leadership Development

\_\_\_ I graduated from college... now what?

\_\_\_ World Awareness/ Current Events

\_\_\_ Financial Planning/Money Management

\_\_\_ Self Esteem, Self Confidence, Personality Understanding, and Empowerment

\_\_\_ Public Speaking

\_\_\_ Diversity

\_\_\_ Creativity and the Arts (music, art, design, dance, etc.)

\_\_\_ Mens Health, Fitness, wellness

\_\_\_ Technology, Math, and Science

\_\_\_ Understanding women and building healthy relationships

XIII. Please complete the following, keep your answers to a total of one typed page. These questions will assist us with getting to know you better and understand what strengths you bring to STRONG Men.

A. Describe your current leadership style.

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B. Please briefly describe your experiences working with youth. Do you have any special experience working with boys?

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C. What types of changes do you think would benefit the positive development of boys? (Feel free to talk about any changes you feel are important)

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D. Please give an example of a time when you showed initiative and creativity to find a solution to a problem.

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