

Question	Criterion	Points	Detailed Evaluation
What is a social or community issue you are passionate about, and why does it matter to you?	Identification of Issue	0-2 points	2 points: Clearly identifies a specific, relevant social or community issue.
			1 point: Identifies an issue but lacks specificity or relevance.
			0 points: Fails to identify a clear issue.
	Personal Connection	0-4 points	4 points: Articulates a deep and personal connection to the issue, providing specific examples or experiences.
			3 points: Shows a strong personal connection with some examples or experiences.
			2 points: Indicates a moderate personal connection, with limited examples.
	Understanding of the Issue	0-4 points	1 point: Mentions a personal connection but is vague or unclear.
			0 points: No personal connection is mentioned.
			4 points: Demonstrates an understanding of the issue, including its causes, implications, and significance.
3 points: Shows a understanding of the issue, but may lack an explanation of its causes or implications			
2 points: Displays a basic understanding of the issue without consideration of causes or implications.			
1 point: Shows limited understanding of the issue, with significant gaps			
0 points: Demonstrates minimal or no understanding of the issue.			
SCORE			10
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Describe an initiative or action you have taken, or you would like to take, to create positive change in your community.	Description of Initiative or Action	0-4 points	4 points: Provides a clear description of the initiative or action, including goals and objectives.
			3 points: Describes the initiative or action, but lacks full clarity on goals and objectives.
			2 points: Mentions an initiative or action but with limited detail or clarity.
	Impact of the Initiative or Action	0-4 points	1 point: Vaguely references an initiative or action with minimal detail.
			0 points: Fails to mention a clear initiative or action.
			4 points: Clearly explains the significant positive impact of the initiative or action on the community.
			3 points: Describes a moderate impact, with some details on how it affected the community.
	Future Plans and Ongoing Efforts	0-2 points	2 points: Indicates a limited impact, with minimal explanation.
			1 point: Mentions impact, but it is vague or unclear.
0 points: Does not address the impact of the initiative or action.			
2 points: Provides a clear plan for future actions, including how they will continue or expand the initiative to ensure lasting positive change.			
1 point: Mentions future actions or plans, but lacks detail or a clear strategy for continuing or expanding the initiative			
0 points: Does not discuss future actions or ongoing efforts related to the initiative.			
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Why are you interested in participating in this Forum, how do you hope to benefit from the experience, and what will you contribute to the program?	Reasons for Interest	0-4 points	4 points: Articulates strong, specific reasons for interest in the Forum, closely aligned with the program's goals.
			3 points: Provides good reasons for interest, with some specificity and alignment with the Forum's goals.
			2 points: Shows general interest in the Forum, but reasons are somewhat vague or generic.
	Expected Personal Benefit	0-3 points	1 point: Mentions interest but with unclear or minimal reasoning.
			0 points: Fails to provide reasons for interest in the Forum.
			3 points: Clearly defines specific personal outcomes or skills to be gained from the Forum experience
			2 points: Mentions personal benefits, but with moderate specificity.
	Contribution to the Program	0-3 points	1 point: Mentions personal benefits, but they are vague or unclear
			0 points: Does not address how they expect to benefit from the experience.
3 points: Offers specific, valuable contributions they plan to bring to the Forum, showing a clear understanding of the program's needs			
2 points: Describes potential contributions but lacks full specificity or relevance.			
1 point: Mentions contributions, but they are vague or minimally relevant.			
0 points: Fails to mention how they will contribute to the program.			
SCORE			10
		TOTAL SCORE	30