



## About HAYP

### Mission Statement

The mission of Hays Area Young Professionals is to promote the development, recruitment and retention of young professionals in the Hays area; to build a bond between the business community and young professionals; and to help make the Hays area the best place to live, serve, work and play.

### Who We Are

It is our belief that a community influenced by young professionals is a community that attracts and retains them. The more informed, involved and networked young professionals are, the more influence they will have on what Hays and the surrounding area becomes.

### What is a Young Professional?

We are a group of people, ages 21-40 who are interested in enhancing ourselves and the future of our community. We work hard, we like to socialize, we're technologically savvy, and we make the change that we want to see in our lives, our businesses and our community.

### What to Expect

Through the HAYP Network, you will have the opportunity to meet people you would never otherwise have met, learn about businesses you never would have known about, and participate in events that never would have existed. You will have access to numerous business training programs and learn about the happenings in the community that will have an impact on your life.

### Goals associated with the Hays Area Young Professionals

- Promoting and reflecting community enthusiasm
- Providing opportunities for business networking
- Helping establish the next generation of leaders in the Hays area
- Offering ways for HAYPs to volunteer and give back to the community
- Aiding in efforts to recruit and retain young professionals to the Hays area
- To provide an information network that lets Chamber staff know of problems with members of HAYP so that the particular need of the individual can be addressed