

New York State Voter Turnout

Source: 2017 Board of Election



Community Votes partners with nonprofits to turn more citizens into voters. Voter turnout data shows that young adults and low-income communities are underrepresented at the polls. Democracy suffers when potential voters sit out elections.

Community Votes model works. Voters reached by the Community Votes' partners turned out at 13% higher rates than comparable voters for the Primary Election and at 10% higher rates for the General Election.

Youth Voter Engagement Project

Recruiting now

About the Program

This program will give organizations working with youth the tools, resources, training and support to integrate nonpartisan youth voter engagement projects within existing program activities. These projects may include a voter registration drive, phone banking, canvassing, creating voter guides and surveying other youth on their opinions about voting.

This is a free program and includes a \$1500 mini grant to support youth voter engagement projects focused on the 2020 Election. The project employs a train the trainer model, includes on-going support and concludes with a report on each organization's success in reaching and turning out voters.

The program will run from January 2020 - November 2020.

There is room for 12 organizations.

The Program Commitments are:

- Two staff members (or one staff and one youth participant) attending two train-the-trainer sessions;
- Implementing non-partisan youth led activities to register and turnout voters for the 2020 primary and general elections; and
- Attending a post program debrief session.

Who should apply:

- Organizations working with young people ages 16 - 26
- Organizations interested in creating a pathway for youth to engage voters
- Organizations fully committed to nonpartisan activity

Calendar

FEBRUARY	First Training Session
MARCH	Second Training Session
APRIL	Voter Engagement
APRIL 28th	Primary Election
MAY - SEPTEMBER	Voter Engagement
OCTOBER	Get-Out-The-Vote
NOVEMBER 3rd	General Election Day
NOVEMBER	Debrief Meeting

*The cost of the program is generously funded by the New York Community Trust and is offered at no cost to organizations that are accepted.

 Please Apply at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQPKX8B>

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