

16th Annual



New Partners
for Smart Growth
Conference

Practical Tools and Innovative Strategies
for Creating Great Communities

February 2-4, 2017 | St. Louis, MO



Why Young Leaders Should Attend New Partners

New Partners for Smart Growth is the nation's largest smart growth and sustainability event. Decisions about land use, housing, transportation, public health, equitable development and local resources are made every day in communities around the country, and most of them have tremendous consequences for young people.

It's important that young people have a voice in shaping those decisions. Young leaders have a unique perspective that needs to be heard by influential policymakers and community leaders.

The New Partners conference is a great opportunity for young adults to speak their mind and learn about what it really takes to create sustainable futures in communities across the country.

Join us for a youth-led pre-conference panel (Feb. 1), youth-led conference sessions and youth-produced films (Feb. 4), youth-focused tours (Feb. 5) and a Friday-night youth mixer (Feb. 3) to get to know fellow change-makers and network for a united next generation for equitable, livable communities.

This year, we're also organizing a youth-engagement project in St. Louis before the event (Jan. 31). Regional Arts Commission Fellows will identify high-priority needs in four St. Louis neighborhoods, and St. Louis ArtWorks Youth will install art in one neighborhood that addresses that need.

Young leader sessions at the conference include:

- + City Youth Use Research, Films to Address St. Louis Segregation
- + Smaller Cities: Emerging Leaders Leading the Way to Competitive Places
- + Youth Panel: St. Louis Case Study Programs that Support Youth Civic Leadership

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"I never thought my voice mattered, but at New Partners, my opinion was valued and used in real community-building!"

— Zelia Gonzales, 17