

# Intergenerational Collaboration on Climate Action

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### Agenda:

- Introduction and Land Acknowledgement
- Examples of Youth Initiatives
- COY16/COP26
- How Elders can Work With Youth
- Questions



### The Youth Climate Program

Increase climate literacy and agency in high school students through Youth Climate Summits and intensive Youth Climate Leadership Development Programs





Summits are high-energy, youth-driven conference-style events to educate students about climate science, impacts, justice, and solutions, and empower them to complete climate action plans.







Students at Lake
Placid High School
start their own
composting
business



## An Unexpected Outcome:

Youth began partnering with local governments through the NYS Climate Smart Communities Program



### How I got to the Conference of Youth (COY16) and COP26







#### Why We Need Our Elders

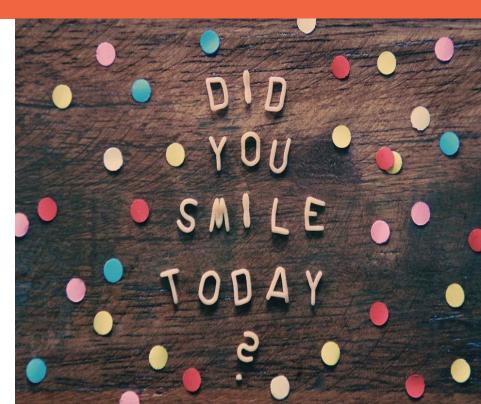
- The climate movement needs intergenerational learning and coalitions
- Our elders hold
  - Unique stories & knowledge
  - Denser and richer networks
  - Financial stability



#### **How Can Elders Work With Youth?**



- Stand with us for climate actions
- Support work youth are championing
- Take youth seriously
  - Challenge power dynamics
  - Youth-driven process
- Encourage creativity & laughter!



#### What's Next: Calling for Actions

- Invite youth to join SSAFE initiatives
- Ask youth what you can do to help
- Connect with the Youth Climate Program
- Fund youth projects
- Help sponsor a Youth Climate Summit



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Questions? Kids

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