



YES! Update 2.15.2021

## Program Announcements

- Reminder to take photos to document your project's journey
- You can submit for up to \$500 in project seed funds any time before May 1, 2021. Form is found in [Coaches Corner](#) (password: sayyes!) or click here: [Project Seed Funds Reimbursement Request Form](#)

## Program Updates

Over 50 YES! students joined us for the Climate Change: Effects on Flooding & Your Drinking Water virtual workshop last week. If you missed it, [here is the recording](#) and [here is the blog post](#).

Indigo and Sophia are high school students from YEA! MN (Youth Environmental Activists) who gave a virtual presentation for YES! students about the Climate Justice Education Bill they are developing with state legislators. They want to connect with YES! students in February for their input on climate justice education at schools outside the Twin Cities. Make sure your voice is heard and rural schools are represented by contacting them at [indigogreyliu@gmail.com](mailto:indigogreyliu@gmail.com) or [scurranmoore@gmail.com](mailto:scurranmoore@gmail.com) today!

[Click here](#) to view the Feb. 3 presentation with Q & A (20 min).

[Click here](#) to view slides from the YEA! MN presentation.

[Click here](#) to learn ways you can help support the Climate Justice Education Bill.

## Regional Updates

NW/C Update: The Royalton YES! team is researching how to best compost their cafeteria waste. They would like to visit a school that is currently composting. Let me know if you have suggestions/ideas. ~Shelli-Kae

Southern Update: Congratulations to the Sleepy Eye YES! Team for their successful "Recycle Your Holiday Lights" project! Students collected and recycled 1117 pounds of used holiday lights – the team's largest collection drive ever! ~Deb Groebner

WC/C Update: Mark your calendars for March 3 for the "Step into a Green Job Experience" workshop with local workforce centers for LQPV, YME, NL-S & WWG (southern team). ~ Taylor Templer

## Recently Recorded Events

### **"Climate Change: Its Effects on Flooding & Your Drinking Water"**

Virtual Workshop recorded February 10, 2021 (55 min)

Presenter: Erik Dahl, MN Environmental Quality Board Planning Director

[Click here to watch the recorded workshop on YouTube!](#)

### **"Climate Justice Education Bill Initiative with YEA! MN (Youth Environmental Activists)"**

Virtual Visit recorded February 3, 2021 (20 min)

Presenters: Indigo D.L and Sophia C-M, students from Climate Generation's YEA! MN program

[Click here to watch the recorded presentation on YouTube!](#)

## Other Opportunities

### **Youth Climate Justice Summit 2021** (virtual)

February 23 + 24, Tuesday evening + Wednesday

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, February 17

[Click Here](#) for event details and registration

"The Youth Climate Justice Summit is a day of youth action, learning, and a chance to directly participate in government. Join workshops led by youth and partners in the movement for climate justice. Meet with MN legislators that represent your district to talk with them about what matters to you. Join the YEA! Network campaign for climate justice education, learn about how you can help stop the Line 3 tar-sands pipeline, and more. Plus, meet youth from across Minnesota and discuss how to make change in your communities!" (From [event website](#))

### [Coaches Corner](#)

Password: *sayyes!*

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