

Announcing Simone Bernstein, Keynote Speaker, for YPC's 2014 Conference!

Youth Philanthropy Connect is proud to announce Simone Bernstein as a keynote speaker for the July 24-26, 2014 Conference in Anaheim, California. Simone will inspire us with her story and ways to act during the [closing plenary panel](#) on Saturday, July 26th.



Simone Bernstein is a senior at St. Bonaventure University, and an active volunteer in her hometown of St. Louis, MO and in her college community. Simone and her brother launched [VolunTEEN Nation](#), a national youth-led non-profit organization. With more than 8,500 volunteer opportunities on VolunTEEN Nation, more than 53,500 youth have found volunteer opportunities through the site and service projects. Simone has spoken at numerous conferences throughout the nation, has a column at the Huffington Post, was a 2010 L'Oreal Paris Woman of Worth, is on the 2013 Forbes 30 under 30 Social Entrepreneur list, and is one of Glamour's 2013 Top 10 College Women. Simone also enjoys running park trails, chatting with friends at local coffee shops, watching the Today show, and tweeting.

Please help us welcome Simone to the Youth Philanthropy Connect family and make your plans to join us in July! More speakers to be announced soon.

[Register here by the April 15 early-bird deadline!](#)

Youth Philanthropy Gathering: Boston, May 10 UPDATES

Youth Philanthropy Connect is co-hosting our very first regional gathering on youth philanthropy with the National Center for Family Philanthropy and the Boston Foundation on May 10th in Boston, after [NCFP's National Forum on Family Philanthropy!](#)

If you are engaging youth ages 8-21 in the work of your foundation or would you like to, bring along the youth of your family or foundation for this post-National Forum Gathering on Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. held at The Boston Foundation's offices.

This interactive session will highlight youth philanthropy work happening in the Boston area, as well as provide a unique opportunity for foundations and youth in attendance to meet one another, share models of youth philanthropy, learn together, and explore national promising practices for engaging youth in philanthropy.

The following people and organizations will be presenting at the Gathering:

- [Susan Price](#), author and thought leader on raising giving children in the digital age
- [Christine Reeves](#) from the National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy on the art of grantmaking
- Sharing their models of youth philanthropy from the Boston area will be a number of families, [the Greater Worcester Community Foundation](#), [Foundation for MetroWest](#), [The Rivers School's Rivers Givers](#), [Sillerman Center for the Advancement of Philanthropy at Brandeis](#), and more!



Susan Price with youth board member at a past YPC conference.

It is our hope that at least one youth be present to represent each foundation attending. You do not have to have attended the National Forum on Family Philanthropy to participate. Registration is limited and will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Visit [here](#) for more details as available! [Register here.](#)

Thank you and Last Call for Sponsors!



We are thrilled to have the continued sponsorship support of the [Tarsadia Foundation](#) and [Foundant Technologies](#) for Youth Philanthropy Connect!

The support of sponsors allows us to provide affordable, quality, and enjoyable educational opportunities for youth who come from across the country to learn together. We hope you will join us as a sponsor of the only conference of its kind to discuss your work with philanthropically minded youth and their support organizations.



Click [here](#) for sponsorship information details.

Thank you for your submissions!



Jen Bokoff from Grant Craft who will be joining us as a speaker again this year!

On behalf of the Youth Philanthropy Connect Leadership Team, we thank you for your submissions to our 2014 Conference Call for Sessions! We received a record number of quality, exciting session ideas and have begun the evaluation process. We will be in touch with all applicants in the coming weeks.

Stay tuned [here](#) for more information and an updated, detailed schedule coming soon!

Igniting the Spark Reminder

Youth Philanthropy Connect has continued to provide customized trainings and consultations on successful ways to engage the next generation and youth in family philanthropy based on the [Igniting the Spark resources](#) we developed in partnership with the National Center for Family Philanthropy.

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NATIONAL CENTER FOR FAMILY PHILANTHROPY
**Igniting the Spark:
 Creating Effective Next
 Generation Boards**
 By Kevin Lukowicki, Annie Hernandez, and Kate Marcus Fisher

For family foundations and a growing number of donor-advised funds, preparing the next generation for involvement brings special concerns—and exciting opportunities. Succession is expected to be the single most important issue facing family foundations, according to nearly half (48%) of respondents to the Association for Small Foundations 2013 Foundation Operations and Management Report. At the same time, there is a broad range of experience in families with regard to how next generation family members are involved in family philanthropy. According to the National Center for Family Philanthropy's 2013 study, Current Practices in Family Foundations, a near equal number of respondents "strongly agreed" (34%) or "strongly disagreed" (33%) with the statement "next generation members are playing a significant role in the foundation."

The volume of funds, foundations, and other giving among young Americans from high-net-worth families is expanding at unprecedented levels. "The next generation of major philanthropists will have tremendous influence on the direction of and support for efforts to improve local communities and solve global problems over the next several decades," wrote the authors of the 2012 *Philanthropic Decision* study conducted by the Johnson Center for Philanthropy and 21.9%, a non-profits consulting group specializing in multi-generational engagement.

For many families, it is important that the next generation not only given but gives as part of the family—that it not only give as a philanthropic endeavor but that it also as a family. For those with this goal, it is becoming clear that 90% of the PNC Foundation research respondents cited their parents as their model of philanthropy.

This research, as well as previous research conducted by US Trust and the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, has shown that the more—and earlier—parents engage their children in philanthropy, the more their legacy of giving will be passed along. Millennials are a generation that cares and wants to work with their peers—through causes, friends, or scholarship—to produce meaningful change. Since next generation members are casting their philanthropic identity at a young age, families need to help find unique ways to help shape this at younger ages.

The *Passages Issue Brief* introduces an increasingly popular method for preparing the next generation for philanthropic action: the next generation in-joke board. The paper covers the variety of purposes

The Issue Brief features stories of families who have found successful ways to engage the next generation and youth in family philanthropy. Also featured on the [website](#) are a variety of tools and resources for families seeking additional assistance in this work.

Contact [Annie Hernandez](#), Director of Youth Philanthropy Connect is you are interested in us presenting on this information and/or would like us to do a case study on your youth philanthropy work!

Upcoming Opportunities to Connect

Youth Philanthropy Connect would love the opportunity to connect with you at the following 2014 events:

National Center for Family Philanthropy Forum

May 7-9, Boston, MA

Post-NCFP National Forum Youth Philanthropy Gathering

May 10, 9am-2pm, Boston, MA

Emerging Practitioners in Philanthropy National Conference

June 6-8, Washington, DC

Jewish Teen Philanthropy Summit

June 9-10, New York City, NY

MCON 14

June 18-19, Chicago, IL

2014 Youth Philanthropy Connect Conference

July 24-26, Disneyland Resort, Anaheim, CA

Association of Small Foundations National Conference

October 30-November 1, Washington, DC

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[Positive Tracks: A Story of Generation Next Philanthropy](#)

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