Workshops to be presented at YES!:

- Levers of Power
- How Does Climate Change Affect Hunger?
- Button Up: Weatherization Challenge
- Become a Change Maker
- Green Energy Careers
- The Emerald Ash Borer—An Alien Invader!
- Telling Your Story: Seeking Success in Small Steps
- People on the Frontlines of Fracking and Big Wind
- Integrating Sustainability into Your School’s Curricula
- Eco-Friendly Tiny House Design
- Building Skills to De-escalate Conflict
- Green Mountain Grassroots: Local Energy and Climate Action in Vermont
- Skill Building for Student Action
- Climate Change, Human Health and You!
- Youth Lobbying for the Planet

Visit [http://go.uvm.edu/teen-leadership-programs](http://go.uvm.edu/teen-leadership-programs) for the Youth Environmental Summit “workshop descriptions.”

The Youth Environmental Summit (YES!) is an annual conference for middle and high school students. YES! is an opportunity to learn about environmental issues and get involved in local communities. The mission of YES! is to inspire, encourage, and prepare youth for a life of environmental responsibility, service and leadership by increasing awareness and knowledge of environmental issues and fostering leadership skills.

Participants will engage in hands-on workshops, action-inspiring discussions, networking with environmental professionals and like-minded peers, and much, much more!

**Schedule**

8:30  Arrive, Check In, YES Action Graffiti Wall
9:00  Welcome
9:15  Workshop 1
10:05 Workshop 2
11:00 Youth Lobby for the Planet
11:45 Lunch (bring your own Zero Waste Lunch), YES Action Graffiti Wall
12:15 Workshop 3
1:05  Workshop 4
1:55  Exhibit Scavenger Hunt
Table Topics
2:45  Closing Remarks & Raffle
3:00  Go Home & Begin Your Action Steps!

YES! workshops encourage participants to develop a service-learning project that focuses on an environmental issue to improve their local community. And, projects can be shared at next year’s summit!

**What to Expect at YES!**

At this year’s YES!, you can expect:

- Fun & informative workshops!
- Over 150 students ready to learn and share ideas about environmental projects!
- Workshops focused on a wide variety environmental issues that affect Vermonters!
- Keynote by Youth Lobby for the Planet—a group of Vermont students taking action!
- YES Graffiti Wall to share ideas of what you can do to make a difference at home, school, or in your community!
- Exhibit Scavenger Hunt to learn even more about the environmental programs that exist in VT!
- Zero Waste Lunch to teach you how to do one at your school!
- A 3 pm finish time so no one has to leave early and miss out on all of the fun!

For a full list of summit workshops, please go to:  
http://go.uvm.edu/teen-leadership-programs, and click on “Youth Environmental Summit.”

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**Registration Opens September 12, 2016**

For registration information and to register online, go to:  
http://go.uvm.edu/teen-leadership-programs. Check, Visa and MasterCard accepted—you can still register online even if paying by check.

**Registration deadline is October 15, 2016. Workshops are first-come, first-served.**

- Youth participants (grades 7-12) and adult chaperones must register; cost is $10 per person.
- School or youth groups attending must have 1 adult per 10 youth ratio.
- Bring your own lunch, drinks & snacks and make it zero-waste! (Information online on how to make a zero waste lunch.)

**We hope to see you at YES!**

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If you require a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Lauren Traister at 866-260-5603 x402 no later than October 15, 2016.

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**Youth Environmental Summit, November 2, 2016**

Barre Civic Center, Barre, Vermont

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