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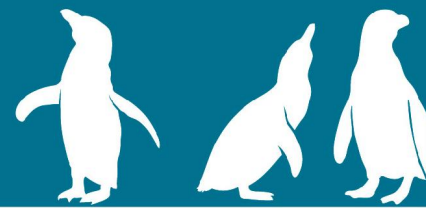
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# Supporting Local Youth as Leaders in Climate Action

A Discussion with Local Youth Climate Leaders and an Introduction to the Seattle Youth Climate Action Network

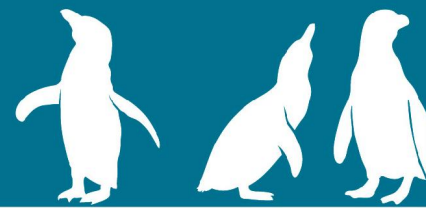
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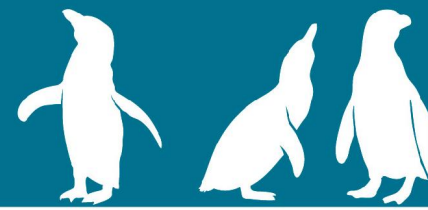
- Intro to Seattle Youth Climate Action Network
- Introductions from youth panelists
- Small group discussion and share out  
*Topic: How could youth be incorporated into work or action that you are involved in?*
- Q and A on youth involvement in local climate action
- Closing- how to get youth engaged in your work and how to be a part of the future of SYCAN

# What is SYCAN?



Seattle Youth Climate Action Network empowers teens to address climate change in their communities through education, leadership, and action

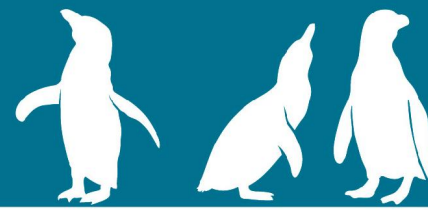




Since 2015, **600+** teens from the greater Seattle area have participated in a range of climate change activities



# SYCAN 2015-2017



**Climate Action**



**Climate Literacy**



**Community**



**Annual Summit**



**Fun Events**



**Leadership Opportunities**



**Climate Career Exploration**





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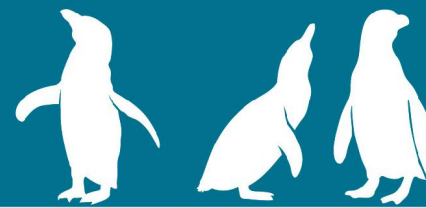
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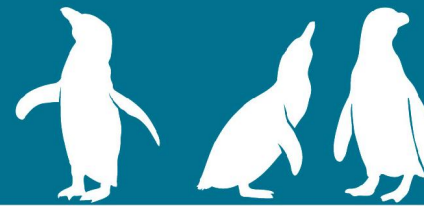


## Why SYCAN?



We are addressing the need for youth to have access to a network in which to learn more about climate change, to develop leadership skills and to create and implement climate action projects that will address local climate change priorities identified by youth and other community stakeholders.

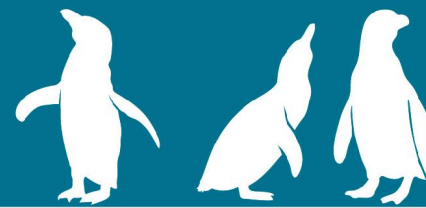
# Our Current SYCAN Partners



We received funding from Institute for Museum and Library Services to focus on two goals through 2019:

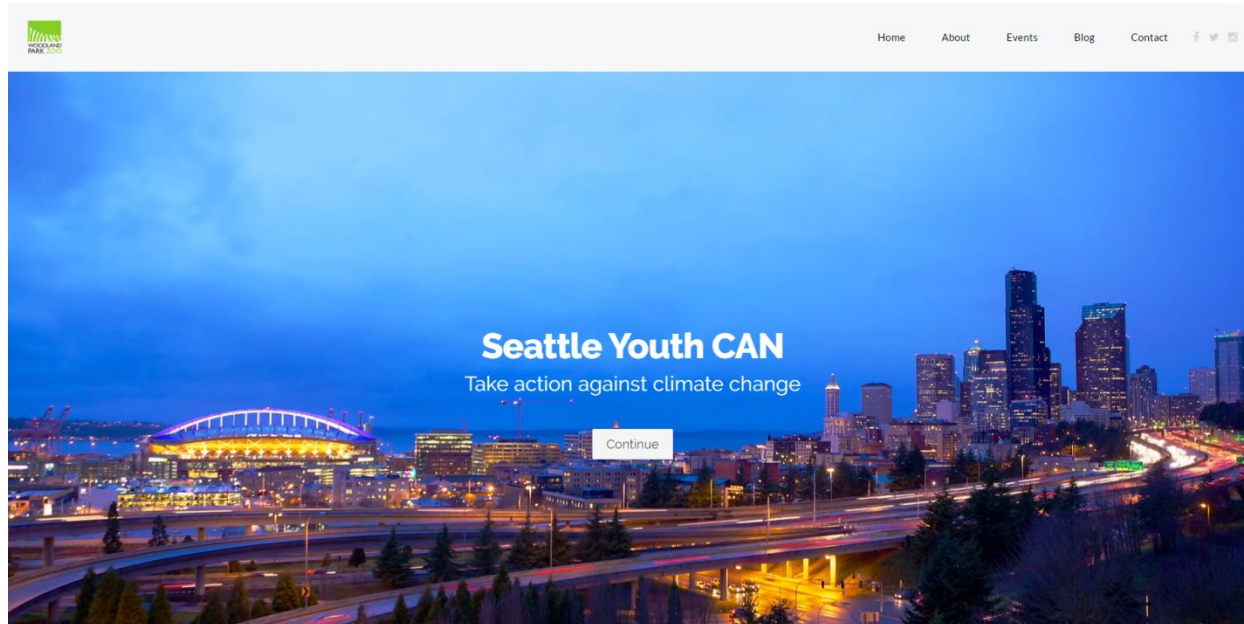
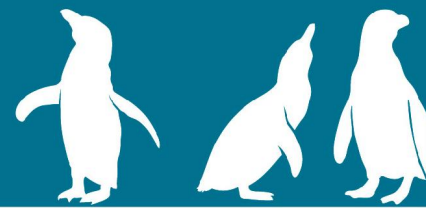
- 1) Transform the network from being led by the zoo to a model that is driven by collaborative community efforts and input and that leads to measureable social and environmental change.
- 2) Refine a model for engaging local youth in community supported action that enables expanded local impact and can be shared with other LAMs interested in convening a network focused on youth action in their regions.

## What we plan to do



- **Identify existing community assets, needs and opportunities** with community stakeholders to address youth involvement in climate change education and action;
- Facilitate youth leaders across the greater Seattle area to **come together to develop local action plans** that address climate change in ways of most relevance for the specific communities they come from;
- **Catalyze new partnerships and alliances** across sectors, empowering community-based groups with the resources and connections to develop relevant climate actions
- **Provide a model** for other groups to use to create a network of diverse stakeholders to support youth in addressing a critical local or global issue

# Get Involved



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