

# Top #iwill takeaways

How can funders best work with young people to help to identify and take action against challenges they see and/or face in their community?

## Celebrate

- Use social media as a positive tool to celebrate youth voice
- Look at the legacy of young people and make sure their work is continued and valued
- Recognition and reward for young people
- Think about the pathways as well as the start and end points
- Engage high profile young people to tell the story of youth led social impact to the widest audience on social channels

## Empower

- Invest in the power of youth
- Be Brave – let young people lead
- Importance of meeting young people on their terms and being willing to adapt and relinquish power
- Importance to involve young people over time, allowing roles to develop and progress naturally
- Relinquish some control and accept that things move at a different pace and people have different approaches
- Progression – clear routes for young people and clear progression for organisations
- Young people are not leaders of the future – they are the leaders of today so share power

## Together

- Understand the diversity of young people by ensuring representation is reflective of the community
- Change the pace to make sure everyone can contribute
- Importance of learning from each other as organisations
- The power of both formal and informal networking
- Appreciate people's differences and diversity
- There are always more ways to engage young people, and there's always more groups that you're missing the perspectives from
- Train and support **all** young people to engage

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