

New Orleans Joins Youth Climate Action Fund

By Mayor's Office of Communications

NEW ORLEANS—Mayor LaToya Cantrell recently announced that the City of New Orleans will join Bloomberg Philanthropies' new Youth Climate Action Fund, which will provide technical assistance and funding to activate tens of thousands of young people aged fifteen to twenty-four years to design, produce, and govern urgent climate solutions in cities across the globe.

With eighty-four percent of youth around the world reporting that they are worried climate change threatens people and the planet, this initiative grants young people the opportunity to get directly involved in tackling this global issue. New Orleans joins the Fund alongside cities from around the world, which together span thirty-eight countries across six continents, representing over sixty-two million residents.

"The City of New Orleans being selected to participate in Bloomberg Philanthropies' Youth Climate Action Fund is such an exciting opportunity for our young people to get directly

involved in our fight against our already changing climate," said Mayor LaToya Cantrell. "Last December, Bloomberg sponsored mayors, including myself, to participate in COP28 in Dubai. This initiative was kickstarted there as a part of the Local Climate Action Summit in order to get youth more involved in addressing environmental issues and climate adaptation. We have so many bright and talented young minds in our city, and I have heard directly from you how you are concerned about our climate and its effects on our great, but vulnerable, city. The city cannot wait to hear all your innovative ideas and projects to ensure our communities' resilience and perseverance for many more years to come."

As part of this program, New Orleans has received \$50,000 that will be dispersed by the Greater New Orleans Foundation as microgrants ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 to fund various youth-led climate initiatives that align with the city's Climate Action Plan priority areas. The number of grants dispersed will vary depending on the amount asked per grant. From mobilizing tree-planting or public education campaigns to

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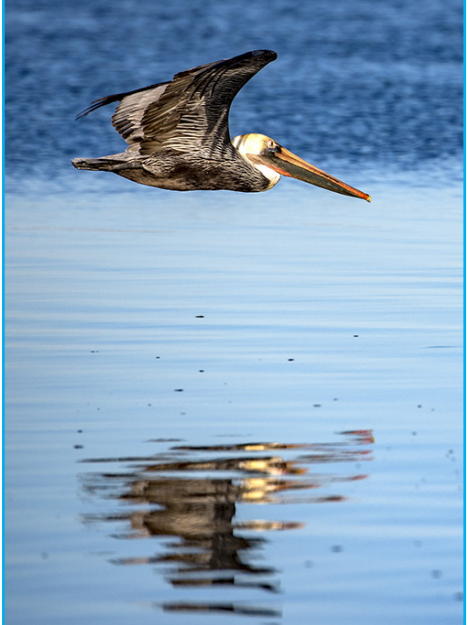


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