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2025 New Mexico Youth Climate Summit to Unite Young Leaders from Across the State

ALBUQUERQUE, NM — On Saturday, June 7th, 30 young leaders from across the state have been selected to participate in the New Mexico Youth Climate Summit, a powerful, youth-led gathering dedicated to building community, sharing knowledge, and advancing climate justice. Hosted at Explora and X Studio, this landmark event is presented in partnership with Talking Talons Youth Leadership and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, with educational support from Youth United for Climate Crisis Action and UNM Leaders for Environmental Action and Foresight.

The 2025 summit will feature dynamic keynote speakers, youth-led organizing workshops, and hands-on sessions ranging from zine-making and mutual aid mapping to emergency preparedness and climate storytelling. The event aims to give youth the tools, inspiration, and networks they need to lead transformative action in their schools, neighborhoods, and across New Mexico.

"This summit isn't just about learning—it's about building power, creating community, and cultivating lasting relationships" said Feleecia Guillen, Summit Director and environmental justice organizer. "We're investing in young people who are already on the frontlines. This space is for them to deepen their work, strengthen connections, and spark the solutions our communities deserve."

In addition to being a space for immediate learning and collaboration, this summit will also lay the foundation for the creation of the New Mexico Youth Climate Leadership Council, a new, youth-led body that will guide long-term climate policy and advocacy efforts across the state.

The morning programming is reserved for selected youth participants to engage in leadership development, visioning, and community building. Then, from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM, the event opens to the public for an afternoon of interactive workshops fit for all ages, a sustainability networking fair, art-making, and community celebration.

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