

Building Community for Youth

Thursday, April 24th

1:30-3:00

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Session Invitations

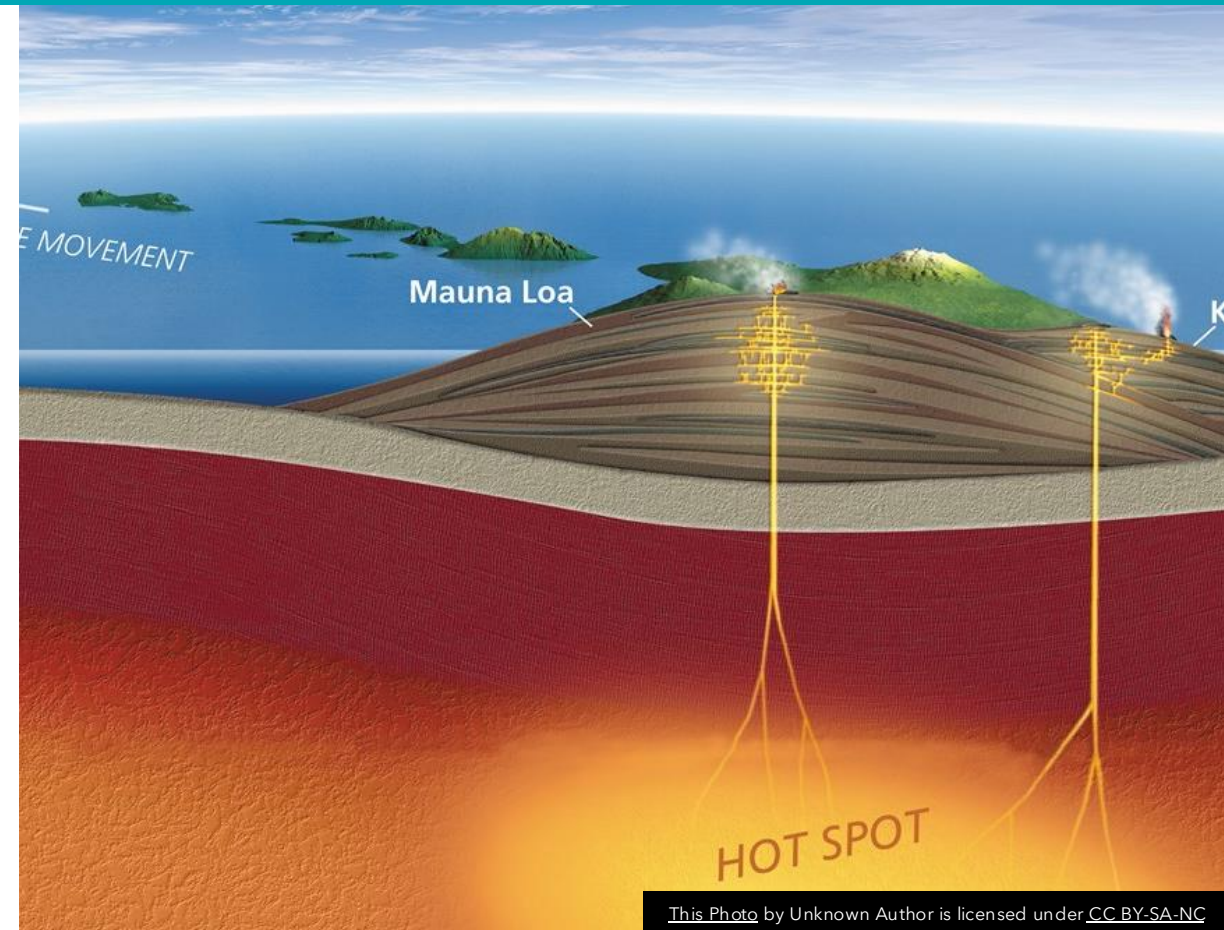
- ✓ Participate
- ✓ Be in a learning mindset
- ✓ Be present for these 90 minutes with minimal distractions



Welcome community! You're on the Hot Spot.

Share with us:

1. What drew you to attend this panel presentation?
2. How can we better integrate youth voices into decision-making processes to ensure their ideas are heard and acted upon?
3. What challenges might be faced in fostering a true sense of belonging for youth, and how can we work to overcome them?



Building Community for Youth

A celebration and highlight of the critical work done by some of the Rogue Valley's key community partners in youth engagement. Youth panelists will share the meaning and significance of this type of engagement and how it can help translate to healthy social development and outcomes for young people.

Youth Era/Medford Drop

- Cadhla Rae (she/ her)

Maslow Project

- Jaerod "Jay" Garcia (he/they)

Rogue Action Center

- Ami Dwyer (she/her, they/them)

Project Youth Plus

- Lucy Wilson (she/her)

Rogue Valley Mentoring

- Sylvia Hernandez (she/her)

Learning Objectives

- 1. Celebrate the ongoing efforts, motivating the audience to create new and impactful opportunities for youth engagement.**
- 2. Panelists will share what belonging means to them, inspiring ideas for youth-led changes in agency planning.**
- 3. Discover how youth engagement builds personal growth and skill development and learn how everyday actions can achieve these outcomes.**

Now, let's hear from our panelists

Celebrate!

1. What are some of the most impactful initiatives you've been part of in youth engagement? What made them successful?
2. How can communities better support young leaders in turning their ideas into action?
3. What advice would you give to young people looking to create their own opportunities for impact?



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Belonging!

1. Can you share a moment when you truly felt a sense of belonging within your community or organization? What made that experience meaningful?
2. Can belonging look different for different people? How can agencies recognize and support diverse needs?
3. If you could design one major policy or initiative to strengthen youth belonging, what would it be?



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Growth and Development!

1. How has your involvement in youth engagement helped you grow as a leader and individual?
2. What specific skills have you developed through community involvement, and how have they helped you in other areas of life?
4. How can young people use their strengths and passions to create meaningful change in their communities?



Questions and Discussion

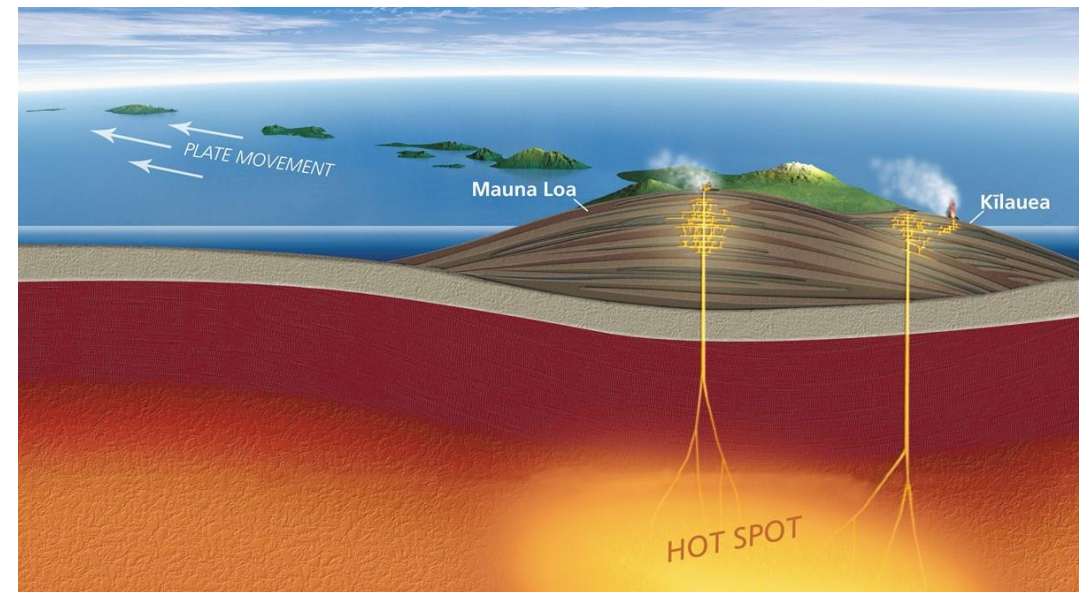


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Welcome back to the Hot Spot!

Please share back with us,

- Thinking about what you learned today, what everyday actions—big or small—help young people develop leadership skills, confidence, and a sense that they belong.
- What is ONE action you will take to incorporate today's learnings into everyday practice?



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Thank you!



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- ❑ Visit us at the networking mixer and meet with us at Office Hours.
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