



Application: The ULC Civic Makers Lab for Youth (15-18)

Thank you for your interest in the **Civic Makers Lab for Youth (15-18)**. Applications are due on May 27, 2026. Selected libraries will be informed by June 30, 2026.

This application is invite-only to eligible libraries. Any appointed individual from the invited library may complete the application. Eligible libraries are U.S.-based, ULC members, and have an active Carnegie library.

Contact ULC Senior Program Manager Katie Sullivan (ksullivan@urbanlibraries.org) with any questions or to confirm eligibility. *Support for the Civic Makers Lab for Youth (15-18) was provided by a grant from Carnegie Corporation of New York.*

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Library and Staff Information

1. Library System *

2. City or County *

3. State *

4. Primary Staff Lead: Full Name *

5. Primary Staff Lead: Title *

6. Primary Staff Lead: Email Address *

7. Primary Staff Lead: Phone Number *

Staff Capacity & Motivation

8. Why is your library interested in joining the Civic Makers Lab for Youth (15-18)? *

9. Who will lead this work, and what is their experience with youth and/or civic engagement programming? *

10. How would you rate your library's capacity to **build/strengthen relationships with youth**?

*(Scale 1 = very limited | 5 = strong) **

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11. How would you rate your library's capacity to **facilitate group discussions**?

*(Scale 1 = very limited | 5 = strong) **

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12. How would you rate your library's capacity to **co-create programming with youth**?

*(Scale 1 = very limited | 5 = strong) **

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13. How would you rate your library's capacity to **engage external partners**?

*(Scale 1 = very limited | 5 = strong) **

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14. How would you rate your library's capacity to **launch new or experimental programs**?

*(Scale 1 = very limited | 5 = strong) **

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15. What do you hope the youth in your community will gain from this experience? *

16. What additional supports would help your team succeed? *

Current Activities

17. What does your library's current reach with youth or teens look like? What opportunities or barriers do you see? *

18. Please list youth-serving organizations your library currently works with (including the name and any examples of recent collaboration). *

19. How does your library system perform program evaluation and/or community surveys, if at all? Please describe any standard reporting expectations or approval processes. *

Commitment & Eligibility

20. If selected, can your library support your commitment to **attending monthly cohort calls?** *

Yes

No

21. If selected, can your library support your commitment to **attending two 1.5-day convenings?** *

Yes

No

22. If selected, can your library support your commitment to **launching a youth civic learning program including a micro-pilot and at least one larger program?** *

Yes

No

23. If selected, can your library support your commitment to **participating in evaluation and reporting activities?** *

Yes

No

24. My library system has a Carnegie building that is still operating as a library. *

Agree

Disagree

25. My library CEO/Director and/or direct supervisor is aware and supports that I am submitting this application. *

Agree

Disagree

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