

#Proudtoshare Youth Climate Summit

Paul Smith's College Students

Grace Kronick



- Environmental Studies
- Cheshire, Massachusetts
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** I am most passionate about is Quality Education. Everyone deserves the right to an education. Quality education allows individuals to escape the cycle of poverty; it aids in the reduction of inequities and the attainment of gender equality; it allows people to live a healthier and more sustainable existence; and it is necessary for the promotion of tolerance and peaceful communities. Knowledge is power.

Ruth Marscham



- Psychology
- Wentworthville (Western Sydney suburb, Australia.)
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** Something that I feel and really strong about is gender equality, this goal is massive and has gotten significantly better over the years but it still isn't fixed.

Kara McKinley



- Hotel, Resort and Tourism Management
- Potsdam, NY
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** I would be most passionate about the life below water. Over the last 10 years our oceans have been hit hard with pollution and all the plastic that is in the ocean and its causing coral to bleach. Sea life are losing their homes and its harder for them to survive.

Paige Mooradian



- Hotel Resort & Tourism Mangement
- Canton, New York
- Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why? I am most passionate about SDG #5 Gender Equality. I am most passionate about this because businesses run stronger when there is a wide variety of gender roles. Unequal societies are less cohesive. This brings better opportunities for businesses and societies to grow.

Anna Thrasher



- Integrative Studies
- Leonia, NJ
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** I am most passionate about SDG #14 Life Below Water, because of how many people and animals depend on our oceans. I also believe that the state of our oceans is one of the biggest indicators of the health of our planet, and for that reason we should be paying more attention to what is going on down there!

Keeley VanValkenburgh



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- Baking and Pastry Arts
- Gilboa, NY
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** I am most passionate about zero hunger and good health and well being from the Sustainable Development Goals because everyone deserves to feel full and feel good. Being in the food industry, it is hard to hear about people from all over that there are people who are still going hungry and people who does have the resources to get help for their well being.

Josh Vetter



- Sustainability
- Webster, NY
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** SDG 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities: This SDG tackles the major issues regarding safe and affordable housing, green spaces, reducing resource use and access to all basic services. We all need a safe place to live, why not try to make it safe for everyone.

Brooke Wilson



- Major: Hotel, Resort & Tourism Management
- Hometown: Colton, NY
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** I would say Climate Action is the goal I am most passionate about. The climate crisis is something that needs immediate attention, the impact of our way of life has already altered and affected the Earth so drastically that we need to do what we can to preserve this beautiful planet for future generations.

Marvis Nosa

- Business management
- Bronx, New York

Edgar Ruiz

- Culinary Management
- Brooklyn, New York

Jacqui Torrez

- Fisheries and Wildlife: Wildlife Concentration
- Military kid, no hometown
- **Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) are you most passionate about & why?** A combination between education and life on land. Without education we stay ignorant to what is going around us. I believe everyone deserves to have some sort of education for the betterment of the world. I combined the two because we are all living on the same floating rock in space, and education reminds us of the changes we've made and can make for our home.

Caroline Armstrong

Anthony Frasier

Matthew Huffman