



# Youth & Repair Cafe

Rockland Repair Café

Hudson Valley Repair Cafe



"We cannot always build  
the future for our youth, but  
we can build our youth for  
the future"

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT



## Getting them in the door

The event is the teacher. Getting young people in the door and experiencing Repair Cafe is the best way to begin the influence of repair culture no matter what their age.





TAKING IT ONE STEP FURTHER...

## Cultivate Partnerships

- Vocational Schools
- Robotics Teams
- Science Institutions
- College-University Professors, Service Learning Departments
- Anything STEM/STEAM related!
- AmeriCorps, Service related youth programs





# You are Welcome Here

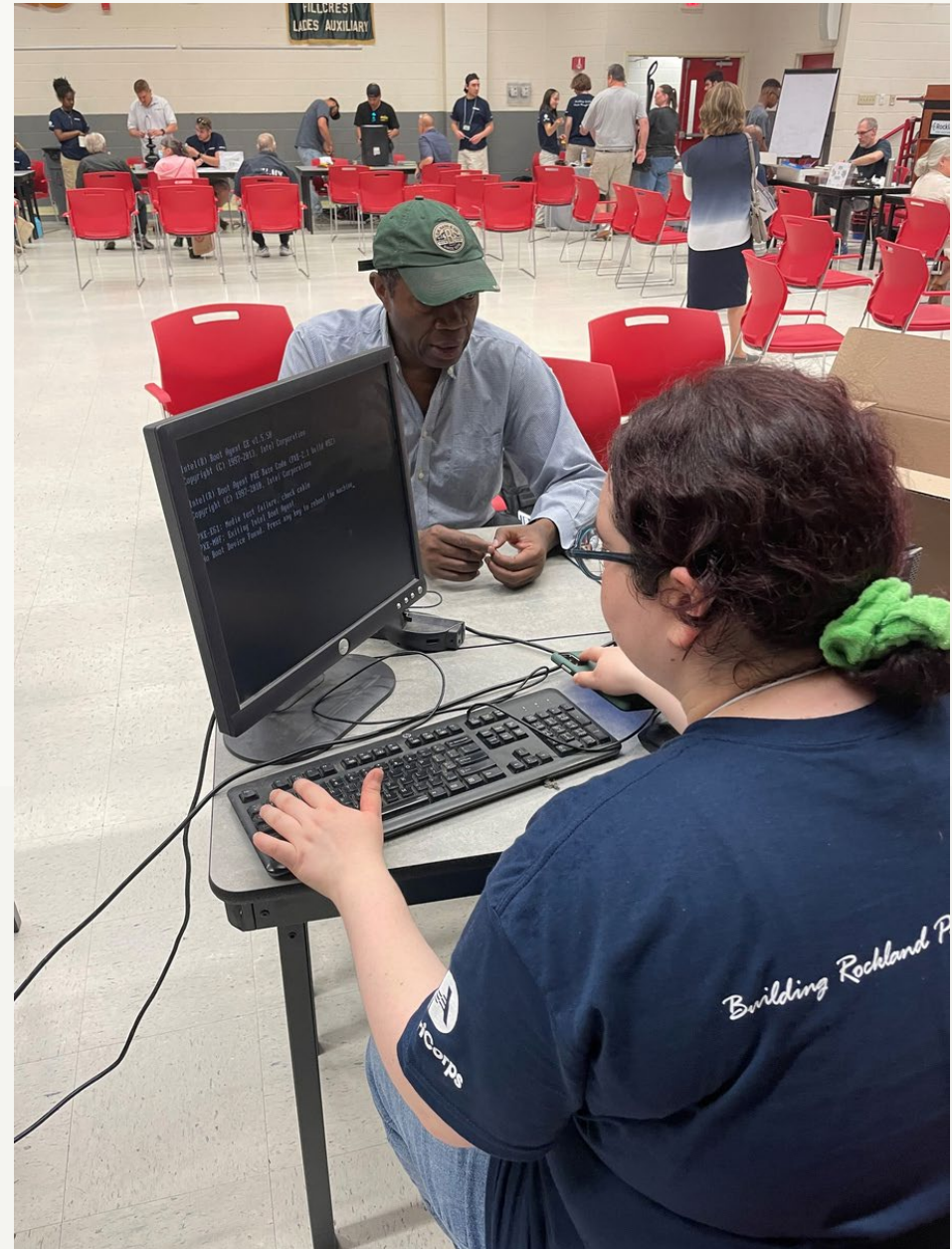
From their initial contact to thanking them for their participation - your correspondence, conversations, directives and camaraderie should reflect that their help is welcome. They want to feel useful, but more likely than not, their outward expression will indicate that they don't know where they fit in - or how they can help. The time you spend getting to know them, seeing how they adapt and contribute to the event is well worth your time!





# Let Things Unfold

At an event, young people will gravitate to the activity that resonates with them - with your help. They have to get to know the scope of activities and begin to feel ownership of the event - and they will quickly demonstrate an uptick in knowledge and agency



# Things that don't fit in anywhere else....

- Young people like to volunteer with friends. Tell them to bring friends - it's helpful and will make them feel more at ease about participating.
- Parents/Caregivers and their children make great Repair Coach teams!
- Don't forget to sign any document they need for volunteer credit or give them contact information so they can reach out to you.
- Have the next Repair Cafe date handy to share with them!
- A fun, inclusive, collaborative environment means everything!



# Young people ...



ARE INTEGRAL

..to the Repair Cafe  
movement.

They should be a solid part of your  
volunteer recruitment strategy.



HAVE HIDDEN  
TALENTS

They can do SO Much!

Mentors like you make the  
difference



NEED YOUR  
PATIENCE

The benefits of their  
contributions make it  
well worth your time



ARE THE KEY

..to the future of  
Repair Cafe





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# Thank you

Please don't hesitate to reach out  
to continue the conversation

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