

Civics 101 is a two day workshop that is free and open to the public. It pulls together people with expertise who want to share their knowledge in a fun, safe, and collaborative space.

Come build community power with us by boosting your civic knowledge!

Civics 101 Day 1

Registration Packet Contents

---- Schedule of Events

---- Participants' Bios and Contact Information

---- Partner Organizations and Contact Information

---- Elected Officials' Names and Contact Information

---- Voting District Maps

i---- Voter Registration Application (in Spanish & English)

Understanding Our History

Political History Panel: What is Our Civic History? 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

What is our local history and how does it shape our local narrative?

Featuring:

Maisa Tisdale President of the Mary & Eliza Freeman Houses
Charles Brilvitch Former City Historian
John Soltis Acting City Librarian

Moderated by: Constance Vickers BPT GEN NOW Member

Lunch Break

See you in 1 hour

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Building Knowledge

Planning, Zoning, & Community Development 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

What is their purpose and role in urban civic life?

Facilitated by:

Caitlin Palmer

Principal Planner, City of Hartford







Citizens

Empowering



Bridgeport Public Schools Panel: What is healthy school governance? 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

What is the role of the Board of Education (BoE)? What does healthy governance look like?

Featuring:

Moderated by: Ashli Giles-Perkins BPT GEN NOW Member

Bridgeport Public Schools: What is our budget and funding? 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

How does Bridgeport fund our public schools?

How do we set our annual budget?

Facilitated by:

Erika Haynes

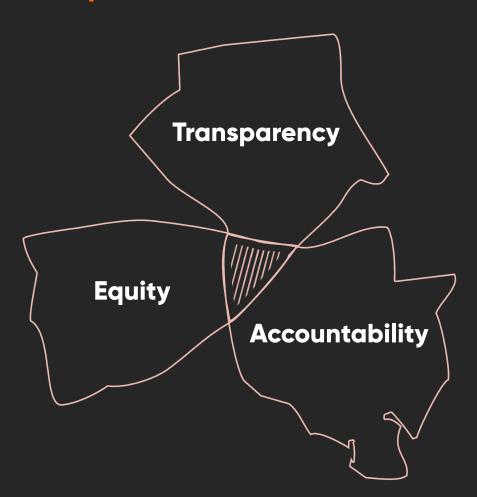
Community Educator, Connecticut School Finance Project

Bridgeport City Budget: What are the financial challenges? 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Facilitated by:

Niels Heilmann

BPT GEN NOW Member



Self-governance starts at home and this is a call-to-action for Bridgeport!

Be the change you wish to see in your city by engaging elected officials, running for office yourself, asking questions, and demanding answers.

Don't miss Day 2 tomorrow!

Join us for specials and free appetizers at Metric Bar & Grill!