



ART GEN Now

Civics 101

Day 2

An aerial photograph of a dense urban grid, likely Bridgeport, showing a complex pattern of streets and buildings. A large, solid orange arrow points horizontally from the left side of the image towards the right side, positioned between two text blocks.

**What makes Bridgeport
stronger?**

**An engaged
and informed
electorate!**

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!

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Registration Packet Contents

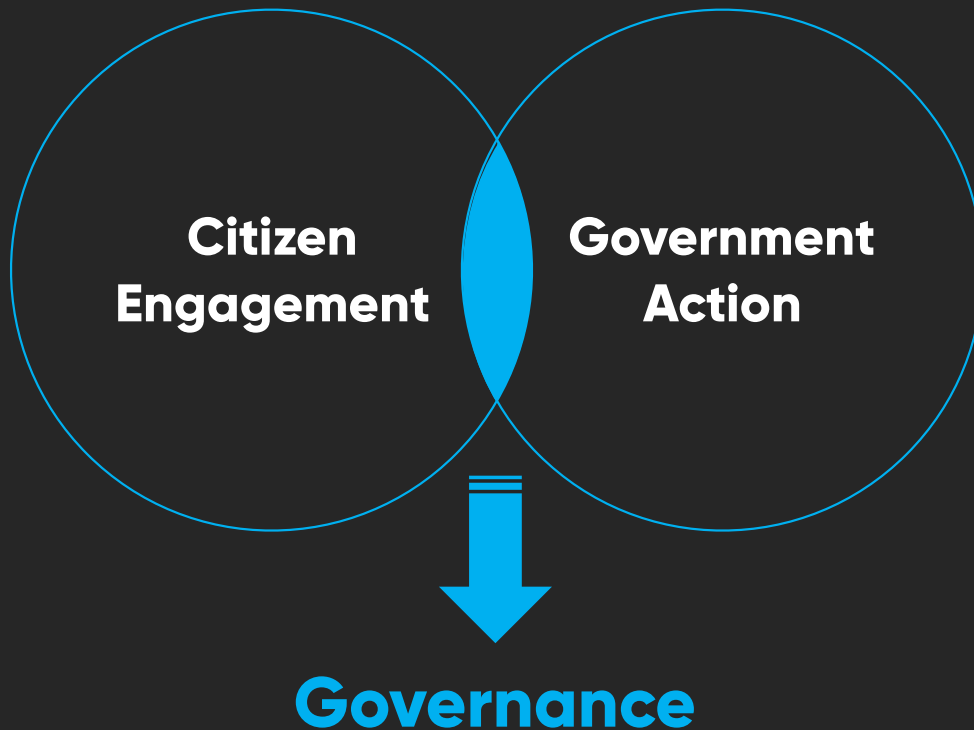
- Schedule of Events
- Participants' Bios and Contact Information
- Partner Organizations and Contact Information
- Citizen's Election Program Information
- Voter Registration Application (in Spanish & English)

Taking Action

CT State Elections: We Have What Others Yearn For

12:40 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

What is the Citizen's Election Program?



Featuring

:

Elona Vaisnys

League of Women Voters of
Connecticut

**City Council & Charter Governance Panel:
What is the purpose and role?**

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

What is the importance of City Council in our civic life?

Featuring:

Melanie Jackson Former Bridgeport City Council Member

Enrique Torres Former Bridgeport City Council Member

Tricia Swain Former Bridgeport City Council Member

Glendowlyn Thames Hartford City Council Member

Moderated by: **Isaiah Thergood** BPT GEN NOW Member

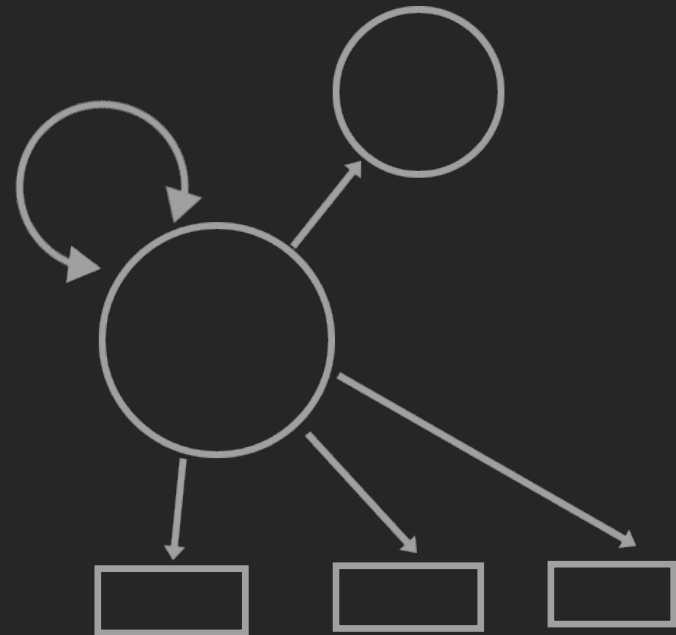
Running A Political Campaign 101

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Facilitated by:
Maryli Secrest
Campaign Manager,
Jim Himes for Congress

Co-facilitators:
Aaron Turner
Legislative Aide, Senator Ed Gomes
Gage Frank
Senior Staffer, Marilyn Moore
for State Senate

What are the “ins and outs” of running an effective and successful campaign?



Community Organizing & Political Action Panel: How do we build a coalition?

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

What is the role of community organizing in civic life?

Featuring:

Sarah Lewis Former Organizer with Change Corps

Julio Lopez State Director, Make The Road CT

Luis Luna Worker Organizer, Make The Road CT

Moderated by: **Callie Gale 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.

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Thank You!