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Land Conservation Council

**VOICES FROM THE FIELD:
WHAT IS A LAND TRUST NOW?**

Whether all-volunteer or staffed, land trusts across the state are recognizing that to stay vibrant, resilient, and effective for generations to come, they need to further engage in what's happening in their communities and beyond.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15
NEXTGEN ROUNDTABLE
NOON - 1:30 PM

Join us for a conversation among millennial and gen z conservation leaders on the relevance of land trusts, the key roles land trusts can play in their communities, becoming more equitable, and how these and other issues may help to attract the next generation of leaders to land conservation and your organization.

AGENDA

12:00 pm – Opening Remarks & Land Acknowledgement

12:10 pm – Panel Introductions & Discussion

1:00 pm – Audience Q&A

1:20 pm – Panelist Closing Remarks

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MEET OUR PANELISTS

Facilitated by: Rebecca Dahl

Program Manager, [Connecticut Land Conservation Council \(CLCC\)](#)

Rebecca supports land trusts through CLCC's regional advancement initiatives, advanced collaboration programs, and training and networking opportunities. She developed her interest in supporting and advocating for NextGen programs after co-creating the *Developing the Millennial Leaders that Land Trusts Need* project.

Ellie Angerame

Executive Director, [Green Village Initiative \(GVI\)](#)

Ellie, she/her is a native of her homecity Bridgeport, a first generation farmer and has worked with GVI for the past 6 years. Ellie works to tie GVI into larger food movements as well as beginning and Black, Indigenous, and People of Color farmland access initiatives by committing time to Bridgeport Farmers Market Collaborative, the New CT Farmer Alliance, the Working Lands Alliance, among many others.

Lianna Lee

Chief Program Officer, [TerraCorps](#)

As a key member of the Programs Team Circle, Lianna works across the organization to deliver a high-quality program that achieves TerraCorps' ends policy. She finds joy in pushing her limits and creating opportunities for the next generation of leaders in the environmental field. Lianna is an Environmental Leadership Program senior fellow and co-created the *Developing the Millennial Leaders that Land Trusts Need* report.

Aaron Lefland

Executive Director, [New Canaan Land Trust \(NCLT\)](#)

Aaron joined NCLT in 2017 after completing his Master of Forest Science at the Yale School of the Environment. He has helped to grow the organization in both size and impact. In addition to successfully leading the organization through accreditation, Aaron has grown awareness and support for the NCLT's work by expanding programs, building partnerships, and making their preserves more accessible to the community.

Taylor Mayes

Communications Coordinator and Field Organizer,
[Connecticut Roundtable on Climate and Jobs](#)

In addition to her work, Taylor joined CLCC's Board of Directors in January 2021. A Connecticut native, Taylor graduated from the UConn in 2018 and is greatly inspired by work which empowers communities to take a stand against exploitative systems and institutions. Taylor is committed to advancing environmental justice and intentionally including diverse perspectives in the mainstream environmental movement.