Youth Voices 2012

Saturday, October 6, 9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Urban Research & Outreach-Engagement Center (UROC), Minneapolis. Open to the public. $10, includes lunch. Scholarships are available.

The youth voice is often missing from programs designed to serve youth – partly because it is a challenge to find and listen to the authentic youth voice, and also because it is often not sought out. The Youth Voices 2012 program provides a platform for youth and advocates for the formation of youth councils for ongoing program-planning input.

Youth-garden teams from Cleveland, Pittsburgh, New York, Chicago, Minneapolis, and St. Paul will describe their garden-based, youth-serving programs. Join us to listen to these youth voices, ask questions, and gain insight into how their experiences can help inform local programs and youth development efforts.

The Twin Cities’ Community Design Center will contribute to this session with a presentation about their youth council. Youth councils are typically formal bodies made up of talented young community leaders, who advise decision makers on important topics and issues that affect young people.

Who should attend: Educators, youth program leaders, urban agriculture community members, mentors, Master Gardeners, social workers, teachers – anyone interested in programs that serve youth.

Register via the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum: 952-443-1422