



Dear Terceira Educators,

February 1, 2023

We would like to invite you to nominate your students to represent Terceira at the Stone Soup Leadership Institute's Leadership Program and Sustainability Summit. This is a life-changing opportunity for your students.

Timeline

- Leadership Program: March-May, 2023
- Sustainability Summit hosted by Bristol County Agricultural High School: June 4-9, 2023

The Institute's Leadership Program and Sustainability Summit is a dynamic and interactive learning experience. To begin, youth delegates will familiarize themselves with The Institute's team by reviewing The Institute's Leadership tools including the book and companion curriculum, *Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes*. We expose their young minds to inspiring leaders and expand their horizons. Through our **Sustainable Career Video Series** and guest speakers they discover how they can get good paying jobs that help their community and build a sustainable economy. They will then research different climate change issues and develop presentations on sustainability innovations to share at the Sustainability Summit.

The Institute's Sustainability Summit is a weeklong intensive leadership training where youth delegates (aged 15-17) work alongside The Institute's seasoned team of emerging leaders to envision their dreams for their lives, their communities and the world.

The Terceira youth delegation will be joined by youth delegates who are nominated from **Bristol County Agricultural High School**. We've hosted 17 Sustainability Summits: from Vieques, Puerto Rico to Virgin Gorda, British Virgin Islands to Martha's Vineyard, and Newport and Bristol, Rhode Island. Youth delegates learn how to make dynamic presentations and develop strategies to engage their community. They will develop videos that inspire others to join them. The Sustainability Summit provides youth delegates with an opportunity to learn about other cultures and form lifelong connections. Together they will gain support to envision and develop action plans to realize their dreams for building a more sustainable world.

Following the Sustainability Summit, we will create the **Youth Leadership Initiative** where students will envision and design **Sustainability & Service-Learning Projects** for their community. They put their dreams and projects into action by developing their five-year plans. They will become action-oriented and solutions-based; develop critical thinking and decision-making skills and learn how to troubleshoot challenges.

They are empowered to become representatives of their communities with their government leaders on important issues and lightning rods for positive change. This creates a multiplier effect to build a new generation of leaders.

Please complete the Institute's **Leadership Program & Sustainability Summit Application**.

Deadline is February 15, 2023. Please send all completed applications to our sustainability coordinator, Trevor Tanaka: trevor@stonesoupleadership.org.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marianne Larned".

Marianne Larned
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