

Youth + Green Economy

- 4.6 Million Opportunity Youth
- Green Economy spans throughout society:
 - Estimated \$3.8 trillion infrastructure investment gap in the U.S
 - 1/3 of all rural Americans don't have home broadband internet access
 - Climate mitigation and resiliency
 - Wealth Gap
 - Movement towards good, high-wage jobs

We've Done This Before

- Civilian Conservation Corps
- War on Poverty + Job Corps
- Federal Summer Youth Employment Program
- Youth Opportunity Grants

Passed, Not Implemented

- Employment Act of 1946
- Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act of 1978

Mechanisms (least → most ambitious)

- Scale up existing systems (Youth Opportunity Grants)
- Goal-set (Lumina Foundation or Obama Admin in h-ed)
- Right or guarantee (IDEA, Georgetown report, Green New Deal)

Vehicles (least → most ambitious)

- Approps riders (P3, WIF, apprenticeship)
- Reauthorizations (HEA, WIOA, 2020 Highway bill)
- Standalone (ARRA, HC+Ed Reconciliation Act)