

# Teach the Future Announces 2024 Next Generation Foresight Practitioners - Young Voices (NGFP-YV) Award Winners

*NGFP-YV 2025 award winners showcase global representation and impressive diversity*

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The Next Generation Foresight Practitioner - Young Voices (NGFP-YV) Awards recognize youth ages 12-17 who are creating a better world for their communities and the world. The 2024 awards reflect impressive diversity and global representation, with 400 expressions of interest and almost 100 applications advanced to judging. Winners include remarkable youth from the USA, India, Nepal, Malaysia, and Peru, including participation from 12 countries across six continents. Projects address key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) like Climate Action, Quality Education, Gender Equality, and Sustainable Cities.

The first-place winner receives a \$1,000 prize for their future-focused project, while three runners-up each receive \$500. Six finalists and 17 projects aligned with one of the UN Sustainable Development Goals are honored.

About Next Generation [Foresight Practitioners](#) - Young Voices

In 2021, The School of International Futures (SOIF) partnered with Teach the Future to create the Young Voices award for those aged 12 to 17. Applications have significantly increased since then, with nearly 100 completed in 2023, and this year, over 400 youth expressed their interest in the program.

The School of International Futures (SOIF) is a UK organization advocating for youth in global



policy development. Established in 2018, the NGFP Fellowship recognizes young change agents aged 35 and younger. The NGFP-YV edition was initiated in 2021. The NGFP-YV Network now includes over 1000 young people.

#### 2024 NGFP-YV Award Winners

- Winner: Aarin Bothra (USA). Seeds of Hope combats prairie loss in Illinois by distributing native plant seeds through community libraries and promoting ecosystem restoration.
- Runner-up: Belén Yaspana (Peru) "Shine and Be You" uses dance to empower low-income girls, enhancing emotional well-being and gender equality.
- Runner-up: Siow Jia Xin (Malaysia) "Second Life" repurposes electric car batteries for school energy access, addressing education inequality.
- Runner-up: Bibhuti Bhattarai (Nepal) raises awareness about the dangers of chemical fertilizer, focusing on health education for women and girls.



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*Lisa Giuliani, Co- Executive Director, NGFP-YV Manager*

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- Monica Onyango (Kenya): Develops solar drying methods for preserving indigenous vegetables in flood-prone areas.

The graphic features logos for 'TEACH THE FUTURE', 'YOUNG VOICES NETWORK', '2024 Judges', 'sbif SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL FUTURES', and 'Next Generation Foresight Practitioners'. Below the logos is a grid of 40 circular portraits of the judges. The text 'Next Generation Foresight Practitioners - Young Voices Judges 2024' is centered below the grid. At the bottom, the 'TEACH THE FUTURE' logo is displayed in large, bold letters next to a cluster of black dots of varying sizes. Below this, the text reads: 'Teach the Future engages in futures thinking global initiatives'.

#### 2024 NGFP-YV Projects Recognized for Their Outstanding Merit and Support of UN SDG Goals

- Aditya Jha (India): HepaEase, a low-cost biosensor for early detection of Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease.
- Hitishaa Goyal (India): Project Pehchaan Saathi aids marginalized tribes in accessing government services.
- Melissa Aguilar (Peru): Empowers youth through hands-on sustainable community projects.
- Pragyaaan Gaur (India): RoofScape installs green roofs in Delhi schools to combat pollution.
- Parisha Thakkar (India): Combines eco-friendly products with biodegradable menstrual pads for underserved

Read and learn more about the full list of winners here: <https://www.teachthefuture.org/ngfp-yv-awards>

#### About Teach the Future

Teach the Future is a global non-profit movement that promotes '[futures literacy](#)' as a life skill for students and educators. Visit [TeachtheFuture.org](https://teachthefuture.org) or email [hello@teachthefuture.org](mailto:hello@teachthefuture.org).

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