



Call for Presentations

Submission Deadline: January 31, 2026 11:59PM ET

✨ Be Part of the Movement

The Inaugural From Poverty to Prosperity Summit is your opportunity to contribute to **national conversations and local solutions** that redefine what prosperity looks like in our communities.

Together, we are not just imagining a better future — **we are building it.**

First-Round Call for Proposals

2026 From Poverty to Prosperity Leadership Summit

FIRST-ROUND CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Deadline: January 30, 2026

The 2026 *From Poverty to Prosperity Leadership Summit* invites practitioners, policymakers, researchers, students, executives, and community leaders to submit proposals for sessions that advance effective strategies and innovative solutions that move individuals, families, and communities from poverty to prosperity.

Selected proposals will help shape the Summit's learning environment by offering powerful insights, practical tools, policy recommendations, leadership strategies, and community-driven approaches.

Tracks of Interest

All proposals must align with at least one of the following Summit Tracks:

1. Policy Leadership & Systems Change

Topics may include:

- Legislative and policy interventions that expand economic mobility
- Local or state models for reducing poverty
- Cross-agency collaboration strategies
- Data-informed policymaking

2. Next-Gen Leadership (College & Graduate Students)

Topics may include:

- Student-led research, advocacy, or innovation
- Campus-to-career pathways that elevate economic outcomes
- Youth-led solutions to community challenges
- Leadership development frameworks for emerging professionals

3. Executive Leadership & Corporate Strategy

Topics may include:

- Corporate social responsibility (CSR) strategies
- AI, automation, and the future of workforce development
- DEI leadership models supporting economic advancement
- Public-private partnerships that work

4. Cross-Sector Collaboration & Innovation

Topics may include:

- Multi-sector initiatives producing measurable outcomes
- Community-driven poverty alleviation models
- Innovative funding or investment structures
- Partnerships between higher ed, government, employers, and nonprofits

Proposal Types Accepted

We welcome submissions for the following formats:

- **Breakout Session (60 minutes)** – interactive or instructional
- **Panel Discussion (45–60 minutes)** – 3–4 contributors + moderator
- **Workshop or Action Lab (75 minutes)** – hands-on, solution-focused

- **Student Innovation Presentation (10–12 minutes)** – youth/young adult spotlight
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Proposal Requirements

Each proposal must include:

1. Session Title
 2. Track Alignment
 3. 250–400 word session description
 4. Learning objectives (minimum 3)
 5. Presenter(s) bio(s) (100 words each)
 6. Intended audience (policy, executive, student, cross-sector)
 7. Session format (breakout, panel, workshop, etc.)
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Submission Deadline

All first-round proposals must be submitted by:

➡ **January 30, 2026 at 11:59 PM EST**

Late submissions may be considered for waitlist placement.

Submission Process

Proposals should be submitted via the [Summit Proposal Portal](#): [Click Hyperlink](#)

Confirmation of receipt will be emailed within 48 hours.

Selection Timeline

- **January 30, 2026** – First-round proposals due
 - **February 15, 2026** – Notification of acceptance
 - **March 1, 2026** – Final session materials due
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Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be reviewed based on:

- Relevance to Summit theme and tracks
- Clarity and strength of objectives
- Evidence-based or innovative approach
- Presenter expertise and lived experience
- Diversity of perspectives and representation
- Potential for engagement and impact

For questions or assistance with the proposal process, please contact: **Kaitlin Harris,**
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