Learning About PB? We Can Help.

PBP has educated thousands of people worldwide through talks and trainings about participatory budgeting (PB). We engage decision-makers and residents in developing a vision for PB in their communities. Our trainings build the skills of city staff and community leaders to plan and do PB. We’ve presented to audiences of all sizes, from conference keynotes to school classrooms.

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<td>Advanced PB Training</td>
<td>A customized half- to full-day training for PB practitioners. Learn best practices, strengthen skills, and troubleshoot challenges to improve the impact of your PB process. Explore innovations to make PB easier and more effective.</td>
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<td>Cost</td>
<td>$500 - $5,000, plus travel costs. Additional options are available and can be customized for your community.</td>
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[pBP’s] training actually embodies the values of PB itself - bringing out idea sharing, creative facilitation and building community between practitioners.

—Chloe Tomlinson, Spark Microgrants

This training provides two worthy things: the first is knowledge, the other is community.

—Antonio Zavala, Participando Por México

participatorybudgeting.org
The Participatory Budgeting Project (PBP) empowers people to decide together how to spend public money. We create and support participatory budgeting (PB) processes that deepen democracy, build stronger communities, and make public budgets more equitable and effective.

PBP is the lead organization advancing participatory budgeting across the United States and Canada. In our first 10 years, we grew PB exponentially—reaching more than 400,000 people in 29 cities and empowering them to directly decide how to spend $300 million in public funds.

Contact us to learn more at: participatorybudgeting.org.

NEW YORK: PBP organized a panel discussion that convinced a few City Council Members to pilot PB. The process has since become the largest in the US. We trained thousands of residents to excel in their PB roles and dozens of Council staff to run PB in their districts.

PB CONFERENCE: PBP organizes an international conference annually, and provides PB 101 and Advanced trainings during it. Attendees have gone on to start PB in their cities, or used what they learned to make their local PB process better.

LONG BEACH: PBP presented to City Council, hosted a Community Info Session, and met with community organizations. This led to the first PB process in Southern California.

SEATTLE: A Council Member asked PBP to host a series of community visioning sessions and a Council briefing. This led to a pilot PB process for youth that has since expanded to the entire city.

Our Clients

United States
New York City Council, NY
New York State Department of Education
Phoenix Union High School District, AZ
Oakland City Council, CA
County of Merced, CA
City of Vallejo, CA
City of Seattle, WA
City of Minneapolis, MN
Chicago Aldermanic Wards. IL
City of Greensboro, NC
City of Boston, MA
City of Cambridge, MA

Canada
City of Vancouver, BC
City of Victoria, BC
City of Toronto, ON
City of Dieppe, NB

Our Impact

• **Equity and Inclusion**: PB that is designed to center equity in decision-making and lift up the participation of historically marginalized residents.

• **Capacity building**: PB that develops new community leaders and deeper understanding of how government works.

• **Relationship building**: PB that strengthens relationships and partnerships between people, government, and community organizations.

• **Innovation**: Access to technology that streamlines your PB process, enhances face-to-face engagement, and increases the reach of PB.