With the separation of religion and government under unprecedented attack, we know how important it is to mobilize now and build a pipeline of leadership to sustain our movement into the future. As a result, Americans United for Separation of Church and State (AU) is launching a new youth organizing and leadership development program, the Youth Organizing Fellowship.

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Young Organizing Fellowship will invest deeply in a nationwide cohort of ten youth leaders (ages 18-25), from different backgrounds and working across issues such as religious freedom, LGBTQ rights, and reproductive freedom.

With AU’s support, the Fellows will become an interconnected, powerful group of youth leaders advancing the movement for separation of religion and government and mobilizing support for AU in their communities.

Youth Organizing Fellows will
• Develop key leadership and organizing skills through AU’s in-person and online trainings,
• Plan events and campaigns to mobilize young people in their communities on church-state separation issues, and
• Support AU’s mission by co-creating tools and resources that meet young people where they are.

The Fellowship kicks off with a weekend-long convening in Washington, DC in September 2020 and continues over the course of a year during which Fellows meet monthly by video, attend conferences with AU, and organize events and campaigns in their communities.

Check out [au.org/youthfellows](http://au.org/youthfellows) for more information about the program.

**OUR IMPACT**

**Supporting Youth Leadership**
• Fellows will gain the skills and support they need to be confident, resilient leaders.
• Fellows will organize, build coalitions, and advance a policy and/or culture change strategy in their community.

**Amplifying Youth Voices**
• Fellows will educate their communities about the importance of separation of religion and government.
• AU will elevate the voices of youth leaders in our earned and digital media strategies.

**Building Grassroots Power**
• Fellows will mobilize hundreds of supporters in their communities and develop tools to support other youth organizers nationwide.
• AU’s youth supporters will help advance local, state, and federal policies to ensure separation of church and state.

With your support, we can build the next generation of leaders ensuring the separation of religion and government.

Contact development@au.org or 202-466-3234 with questions or to see how you can get involved.