The Intersectional Nature of Youth Activism Today

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Definition and Purpose

- **Activism**: Taking action on your political beliefs in a form of demonstrated action (protesting, etc.) in order to achieve change.

- **Intersectionality**: A framework that explains how various social identities like race, gender, sexuality, and class, overlap and contribute to a specific type of oppression experienced by an individual.
3 Main Types of Change

- Change hearts and minds
- Change laws
- Change the situation on the ground
Changing Hearts and Minds

- Brandon and Jose from Mobile Print Power
Changing the Situation on the Ground

- Brianna from the Youth Advisory Council
Changing Laws
How can adults better respect the ideas, opinions, and strategies of young people?

- Way #1 - Listen
- Way #2 - Converse/Share opinions
- Way #3 - Compromise

- Any other advice for adults in the room?
Thank you!

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