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The Future is Bright

As my time as President of the Young Professionals Council comes to a close, I wanted to use this opportunity to reflect on the last few years and touch on the exciting and impactful times ahead for the organization.

My involvement with the YPC started 5 years ago when I began working professionally in the Lehigh Valley, and was looking for an organization to get involved with.

At the time, the YPC was newly formed and made up of a few hard-working and dedicated individuals on a mission to start and cultivate a council devoted to the growth of a generation of Lehigh Valley professionals.

I immediately felt welcomed and mentored by an excellent group of people including Paul Ricciardi, Erin Ludwig, and many others.

As a new member of the team I was excited as we continued to innovate, expand, and strengthen the organization. Monthly meet & greets were introduced to grow a steady base of engaged members. Committees were introduced to involve dozens of individuals that were not yet on the board. Signature events were introduced including the popular ‘Downtown Revitalization’ series.

As I became President two years ago, the board and I kept our focus on two things – providing a platform for young professionals in the region to lead, learn and grow, and building the rock-solid foundation of an organization that will continue on for decades after our involvement.

Based on where the organization is today, it’s clear, that as a team, we have accomplished those goals and more. I cannot be more thankful, grateful and indebted to the best board of directors in the Lehigh Valley.

Thanks to our hundreds of dedicated members, it’s clear that the future of the YPC is bright.

Not only does the YPC possess one of the most active and dedicated boards you will find anywhere, but we also have committees made up of dozens of hard working leaders innovating, raising funds and connecting people. We consistently host sell-out events that truly educate and impact our members.

As the organization looks towards the year ahead, this will only continue with exciting new events and initiatives being planned each day.

The YPC has changed my life personally and professionally and I’d like to thank the organization and The Chamber for allowing me to serve this role.

If anyone reading this is looking for an organization to become involved in and wants to have true impact on the future of the Lehigh Valley, I'd highly recommend joining the YPC and paving the way for a bright future for the region we love.