





**Future City Creates Future Engineers** 4500+ volunteers to make it possible We need you!

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### What is Future City?

Doing things that engineers do, kids build cities of the future showcasing their solution to a citywide sustainability issue.

2025-2026 Theme: Farm to Table

#### Who can Mentor?

- Engineers
- Technicians
- **Project Managers**
- Urban Planners
- Architects
- Industry Partners
- STEM Professionals University Students

### Role of the Mentor

Future City is student-led, but mentors are an integral part of the team. You could:

- Share information about your career
- Explore research resources with the team
- Be a sounding board for the team's ideas
- Offer feedback on the team's City Essay
- Help the team polish their City Presentation
- Practice Q&A with the team
- Help the team determine a City Model scale
- Mentor Time Commitment
  - 15-25 Hours September-February \*All Mentors require a background check

### **Timeline & Key Dates**

May 2025- Mentor Registration Opens August 1, 2025- Handbook Released October 2025- Theme Webingr

**January 2026- Regional Competitions** February 16, 2026- Future City Finals



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## **Program Dates**



Mentor Registration Opens



Competition Handbook Release Day



Research, Brainstorm, Design, Build



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### **Deliverable Due Dates**

\*Dates confirmed in December



Team Essay\*



Project Plan
Parts 1-2\*



Project Plan Parts 3-4\*



Team Expense Report\*



City Model, Presentation, Q&A\*

### **Webinars**



Theme Webinar



Mentor Drop In Calls

# Competitions \_\_\_\_

Jan 3-24

Regional\* Competitions Feb 14-18

Future City Finals, Washington DC