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## YorkCounts hosts film screening to promote Building One PA

York, June 18, 2020 – In the past 10 years, YorkCounts has worked to address, among other things, declining urban centers and struggling schools. We have advocated for fairer tax policies and more regional collaboration.

Now, we're teaming up with organizations across the state to convene a statewide summit on these issues. The [Building One Pennsylvania](#) summit will be July 16 at [Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology](#) in Lancaster.

To raise awareness of the event, YorkCounts and the [York Campus of Harrisburg Area Community College](#) will host a screening of "[The New Metropolis](#)." YorkCounts showed portions of this film at our community summit in March and invited Lynn Cummings, whose work was featured in part of the film, to be our keynote speaker. On June 22, YorkCounts will show both parts of the documentary - "Cracks in the Pavement" and "The New Neighbors" - and have a Q&A session afterward. The film will start at 7 p.m. in HACC'S Glatfelter Community Room in the Cytec Building, 2161 Pennsylvania Ave., York. Admission is free.

The issues raised in the film are critical to all of York County. And the statewide summit has two goals: to give visibility during this critical election year to the common challenges faced by our communities and to launch an organizing structure for advancing the state and federal policy agenda that will revitalize and strengthen Pennsylvania.

BOPA has a modest registration fee of \$15, which includes lunch, and the day will feature national experts on regional equity, land use, and municipal and school governance. Our partner organizations for this event include [10,000 Friends of Pennsylvania](#), [Good Schools Pennsylvania](#), the [Pennsylvania Council of Churches](#) and the [Southeastern Pennsylvania First Suburbs Project](#). Advance registration is requested.

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### IF YOU GO: "THE NEW METROPOLIS"

When: 7 p.m. June 22

Where: Glatfelter Community Room, Cytec Building, HACC's York Campus, 2161 Pennsylvania Ave., York

Cost: Free

About the film: “The New Metropolis” is a two-part documentary that highlights the plight of America’s first suburbs. One part, “The New Neighbors,” was featured at the YorkCounts Summit in March and includes interviews with Lynn Cummings, the summit keynote speaker.  
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#### IF YOU GO: BUILDING ONE PENNSYLVANIA

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 16

Where: Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology, 750 E. King St., Lancaster

Cost: Registration is \$15 and includes lunch

About the event: The summit will give visibility during this critical election year to the common challenges faced by our communities, and to launch an organizing structure for advancing the state and federal policy agenda that will revitalize and strengthen Pennsylvania. The summit will feature national experts on regional equity, land use and municipal and school governance, as well as testimony from local community leaders.

To register: Go [www.yorkcounts.org](http://www.yorkcounts.org) and follow the link to register online or to download the registration form and register by mail.

For more information: Go to Facebook and search for the Building One Pennsylvania event. For any other questions, call 866-720-4086 or e-mail [buildingonepa@gmail.com](mailto:buildingonepa@gmail.com).

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YorkCounts is a community-based coalition working to assess, sustain and enhance York County's quality of life – building alliances, introducing partners, spotlighting issues and facilitating conversations on education, economic development, health and safety and diversity. Partners include Better York, the United Way of York County, WellSpan Health, York College of Pennsylvania, the York County Commissioners, the York County Community Foundation and the York County Economic Development Corp. Learn more at [yorkcounts.org](http://yorkcounts.org).

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