

Our Story

1989

Young Citizens founded as The Citizenship Foundation*



1998

The Crick Report on citizenship released with support from Citizenship Foundation

2002

Citizenship is made compulsory in the English curriculum



2004

Giving Nation partners with Citizenship Foundation, going on to inspire 1 million youth volunteer hours



1999

Experts in Schools is launched as "Lawyers in Schools"

2007

Primary Resource (Go-Givers) library is launched

2008

Make a Difference Challenge begins

2009

Letters submitted to Number 11 Downing Street as part of Chance to be Chancellor

2012

Economic Experts in Schools is launched

2017

The SMSC Quality Mark launches at the House of Lords



2018

The Citizenship Foundation rebrands as Young Citizens

2019

Young Citizens runs Democracy Ambassadors with Cabinet Office



2020

The SMSC Quality Mark self-review tool reaches 1000 educators

2021

Young Citizens wins Best Educational Programme at The Corporate Engagement Awards with FTI Consulting



2022

Bring About Change is launched to support secondary schools with social action projects

2022

Young Citizens' teacher training supports its 2,000th online learner



2022

House of Lords Select Committee on Citizenship and Civic Participation publishes follow-on report citing need for more citizenship education