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# **Updates from CSN**

### Dear CSN Community:

Happy New Year! This month we have some exciting news to share with all of you.

CSN offers Virtual Student Leadership Program, CareerSpring Resource, Virtual Consortium Chapter, and more!

Read more below to **explore** with us & stay informed about upcoming events and opportunities!

## **Spring 2022 Student Leadership Program**

CSN's Student Leadership Development Training and Certificate Program is a unique six-session virtual program designed for first-generation low-income students who want to develop their leadership skills. Sessions include StrengthsFinder 2.0, Improv, Design Thinking, Mindfulness, and Crucial Conversations. The program concludes with students doing their own Mini "Ted-Talks."

Students who complete the entire program and program evaluation forms are eligible for a \$500 stipend for their participation. For more information, please contact aliceginsberg@collectivesuccess.org.

# Virtual Student Leadership Development Training and Certificate Program



**Develop Your Unique Leadership Skills** 

Learn to Advocate for Yourself and Others
Expand Your Network
Deliver a Mini Ted Talk

**Engage with Dynamic Professional Leaders** 

## Apply by January 25, 2022 at bit.ly/CSNleadership2022



Virtual Orientation: February 10th 6:30-8:00 pm Virtual Sessions: February 24, March 10, March 24, April 7, April 21, April 28, 6:30-8:00 pm

Participants who complete the program will receive a Certificate + Earn up to a \$500 stipend!

**Apply Now!** 

## **EY and CSN Student Excellence Awards**

Thanks to a generous donation from **Ernst and Young (EY)**, CSN is inviting CSN Chapter members and CSN program participants to compete for our 2022 Student Excellence Awards. There will be one award of \$1500, three awards of \$1000, and gift cards issued for all qualified applicants who submit a short

essay or video in response to specific prompts. Qualifications include being enrolled as a CSN-affiliated student in a Philadelphia-area college as of 12/1/2021 and completing an application by the **January 31**, **2022** deadline.

To learn more, review the award application instructions at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/EYCSN2022awardinfo">bit.ly/EYCSN2022awardinfo</a> or email us at <a href="mailto:info@collectivesuccess.org">info@collectivesuccess.org</a>.



# Collective Success Network students are invited to apply for the EY First Generation Student Excellence Awards

If you have benefited as a CSN chapter member and/or CSN program participant, we want to hear your story and celebrate your growth as a first generation student!

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The deadline for applications is January 31, 2022

Up to 4 winners will receive an award of either \$1,500 or \$1,000 and all qualified applicants\* will earn a thank you gift card.

Award winners will be notified in March and recognized at a CSN year end event in May.

Submissions can be made in writing (400 words max) or in a video format (2 min max).

Applications accepted at: bit.ly/EYCSN2022awards

# Topics can be chosen from any of the following prompts:

- Describe a specific CSN program you were involved in and the leadership characteristics you gained or exhibited
- Explain what it's meant to be part of the CSN student leadership team (if applicable)
- Describe how CSN has helped you connect with other FGLI students and professionals
- Share a personal story of how CSN helped you during a time of need or cheered you on as you reached your goals
- Envision how CSN could grow to reach and support even more Philadelphia area First Generation and/or Low Income students





#### Want more information?

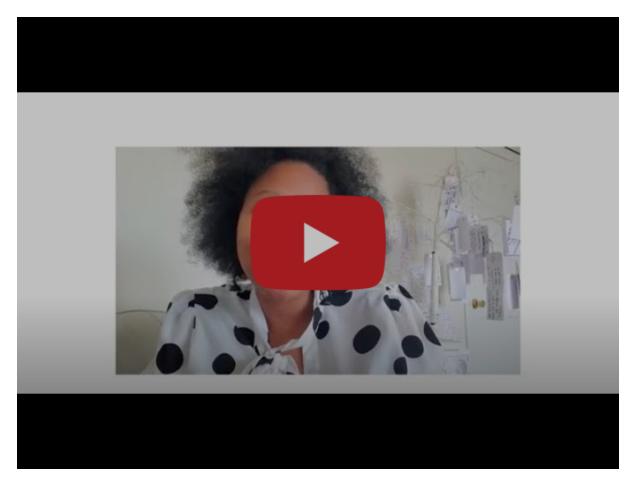
Visit: bit.ly/EYCSN2022awardinfo
Email us: info@collectivesuccess.org

\*Qualified applicants must be a CSN Chapter member or program participant, first generation and/or low-income college student, and be enrolled in a Philadelphia area college or university as of December 1, 2022

## **Apply Now!**

# **Collective Success Network access to Career Resources through CareerSpring**

CSN is excited to announce a new partnership with CareerSpring, a non-profit that helps first-generation college students, as well as Pell Grant recipients, realize their greatest career potential through career information, a network of professional contacts, and job placement services. The CareerSpring platform offers a Career Video Library, Career Advisory Forum, and Jobs Board exclusive for first-generation college students.



CareerSpring

To access this resource, fill out a request at <a href="bit.ly/CSNcareerspring">bit.ly/CSNcareerspring</a> and you'll receive an exclusive passcode for CSN students. Once you enter the Passcode on the CareerSpring site, you'll answer a few questions and be able to personalize a profile and get started!



# **CSN Drop In 2022**

**Mark Your Calendar** for the upcoming Drop In dates at 7 PM on the first Tuesday of every month! We look forward to hearing your story and experience and feel free to join us via zoom.



# **CSN Virtual Consortium Chapter**

Collective Success Network (CSN) invites first-generation and/or low-income

college students in the Philadelphia area to join our **new**, **virtual intercollegiate Consortium Chapter**. Membership is **free**.

Hey there Philadelphia-Area First Generation College Students --Want to connect with like-minded students and professionals?

Come join Collective Success Network in our new, <u>free</u>, virtual Consortium Chapter



## Example benefits of membership:

- Networking opportunities
- Mentorship
- Career guidance
- Professional skill development
- Internship and job postings
- Stipend and award opportunities



Want more information? email us: consortium@collectivesuccess.org

Sign up **now** and start building your path through college to career! <a href="http://bit.ly/CSNchapters">http://bit.ly/CSNchapters</a>

Benefits include exclusive, members-only opportunities for meeting peers and professionals, networking, leadership development, and access to awards and job/internship postings. It is an easy way for college students to grow their

network with like-minded peers and supportive professionals in the Philadelphia area. Join us and give your journey through college to your career a boost. Students can sign up at: <a href="http://bit.ly/CSNchapters">http://bit.ly/CSNchapters</a>



I want to engage with a network of other firstgeneration, low-income students across the
Philadelphia region. Oftentimes, our
wealthier, more established counterparts
have the resources to gain more social
capital and connections than us, and I want
to become part of a community that breaks
that pattern.



Through the Consortium Chapter, I hope to meet other first-generation, low-income students from colleges outside of my own, and to gain insight into how I can advance my career. A community that understands and relates to my situation would be very beneficial towards my journey into STEM.

## Sign Up Today!

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