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Updates from CSN

JULY

The Month in Review

Big Ideas, Bold Moves: Strategic Retreat Sparks CSN's Next Chapter

Our high-energy Strategic Planning Retreat brought together students, staff, interns, and advisory board members to dream big and shape the future of CSN!



**Simplified
Supercharged
Student-Centered**

We're streamlining our programs to make it easier than ever to get involved and it starts with Career Readiness and Mentorship. Out goes the old model....in comes a dynamic new approach rooted in what students actually want: authentic connections, honest conversations, big-picture guidance, real-world career support and mentors who feel more like champions than checklists.



We are paying it forward!

CSN helps Early Career Professionals

with the Grow & Pay It Forward Program.

CSN's Grow & Pay It Forward Program for early career FGLI professionals is in full swing! This year-long program offers Early Career Professionals to serve interactive workshops on networking, advocacy, career transitions, and mentorship training.

Participants also serve as near-peer mentors to current CSN students, paying forward their insights and experiences.

At our July 13th orientation, the cohort shared stories, shaped the program to reflect their needs, and created powerful collages about "Telling Your First Gen Story."

We're thrilled to work with such a talented and passionate group!

Big thanks to TD Charitable Foundation for supporting this new chapter of FGLI leadership.

Hear directly from some of our professionals- and follow us on social media for more inspiring stories and insights.



I am passionate about giving back and supporting the next wave of first-generation students and young professionals."

Keyra Pulliam | Engineer III | Exelon



As a first-gen student, I first connected with CSN through Temple First in my sophomore year. CSN has been instrumental in uplifting FGLI voices and creating spaces where students like me feel truly seen and supported."

Yanah Jefferies | Project Delivery Coordinator | City Of Philadelphia



Once a mentee at Drexel and now a mentor, I'm inspired to return the lessons and support that I have experienced—ensuring there's always a hand to pass down the torch."

Ashley Wu Zheng | HR Coordinator | Marriott Old City



This program is meaningful to me as an FGLI student and emerging professional because I want to share the resources and knowledge I once lacked. I'm also excited to connect with peers who share similar goals and continue growing in my personal and professional journey."

Victoria Maloney | Associate Staff Accountant | PECO

Follow us on social media to learn more!



This isn't a goodbye...

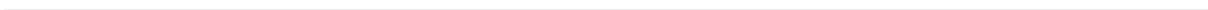
It's a Thank You to Our Amazing Outgoing Marketing Interns!

Where would we be without Vivian Dinh and Xava Manall? Honestly, we'd rather not imagine it because these two brought fresh vibes, creative brilliance, and nonstop excellence that took CSN's marketing game to the next level, and we're beyond grateful!

From brainstorming bold campaign ideas, curating our newsletter and website, to creating Instagram posts, and spotlighting our community's magic, Vivian and Xava poured their creativity and heart into everything they touched. Whether it was capturing photos and videos, creating and scheduling reels, refining CSN brand language, or simply jumping into every challenge with enthusiasm, they made CSN shine bright!



Vivian and Xava- we'll miss your group chats, your Canva wizardry, and constant flow of Gen Z brilliance but we know the world's about to see just how extraordinary you both are. Thank you for impacting CSN in all the ways you did. You'll always be part of us and excited to see your stars shine!



Fresh Energy!



We are thrilled to welcome our new Marketing Intern, Sierra Rohan.

Sierra brings an innovative perspective to our mission of uplifting first-generation and low-income (FGLI) students. We are grateful to have her expertise to amplify our community's voices, she already helping us tell the CSN story in powerful new ways.

We're excited to see the magic she will create so join us in giving her a warm CSN welcome!



We spilled the tea...

CSN Co-Executive Director, Adrienne Tymiak hit the podcast studio to spill the tea on mentorship, career equity, and what it really takes to support first-gen success.



How You Can Support Us

Join Us in Uplifting First-Generation and Low-Income (FGLI) College Students:

The path to success should not depend on privilege.

Become a CSN Mentor Today!



Learn more and sign up at: <http://bit.ly/CSNvolunteering>

At Collective Success Network, we believe that **talent is everywhere—but opportunity is not**. That's why we're calling on professionals like **YOU** to **step up and become a mentor** to our driven, FGLI college students.

CSN mentors are more than guides; they're bridges to opportunity.

By sharing your journey, insight, and professional network, **you can help a student navigate college, build confidence, and take meaningful steps toward a career that changes their life and their community.**

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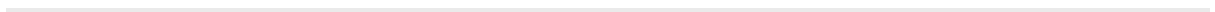
CSN Alumni - We Want to Hear From You!

Your insights, stories, and experiences can help shape the future of our growing community.



Let us know where your journey has taken you and how we can continue building a strong, intergenerational network of support.

Reach out at info@collectivesuccess.org or DM us on Instagram or LinkedIn at [@collectivesuccessnetwork](https://www.instagram.com/collectivesuccessnetwork) to reconnect!





Every gift brings us closer to our goal and helps fuel the futures of FGLI students.

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