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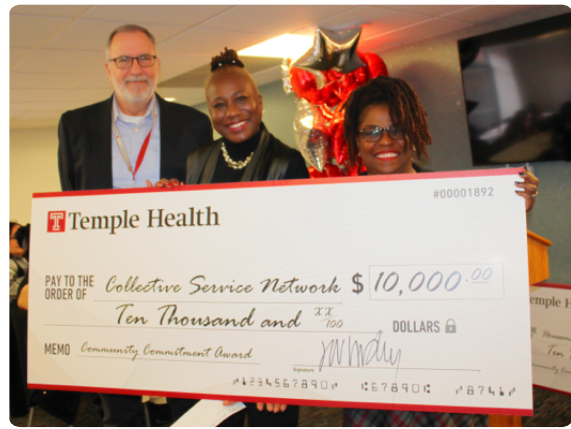
Updates from CSN



Happy Springtime!

As we enter the spring season, we are delighted to share some exciting CSN updates with our FGLI student community. The academic year is in full swing, and we have a range of new and recurring programs to offer that we believe will be of great benefit to you. We wish you a happy and fruitful spring season ahead!

**Thank you to Temple Health
for a generous grant to CSN**



Dr. Tanya O'Neill, former CSN Advisory Board member, nominated CSN for a **\$10,000 grant** from Temple Health. CSN Co-Executive Director Chenora Burkett joined Tanya for the celebration of ten grant recipients on February 21st at the Temple University Hospital.

Announcing the Creative Career Design Event on April 6th!

Interested in thinking “out of the box” about your career possibilities?

The CSN Consortium Chapter invites you to the “Creative Career Design” event at Thomas Jefferson University East Falls Campus on Saturday, April 6, from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm.

CREATIVE CAREER DESIGN

For First Gen College Students

 Thomas Jefferson
University

 COLLECTIVE
SUCCESS
NETWORK

Hear from First Gen Professionals and start imagining the possibilities!

6 | April 2024
Thomas Jefferson East Falls Campus
4201 Henry Ave, Philadelphia

Agenda

10:30 AM Registration
11 – 11:45 Team Building Challenge
11:45 – 12:30 Lunch
12:30 – 1:30 Professional panel Q&A (Hybrid)
1:30 – 2:15 Networking
2:15 PM Optional campus tour



Register for this FREE event by Tuesday April 2

<https://bit.ly/CreativeCareers2024>



Host and Moderator: Ronald Kander

Dean Kanbar College of Design, Engineering, Commerce,
Thomas Jefferson University East Falls Campus



Laura Pontiggia

Associate Dean, "Institute
for Emerging Health
Professions", Thomas
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Franklyn Athias

Retired,
Former SVP/CTO
xfinityMobile, Comcast



Desjene Davis

Assistant City Solicitor
Civil Rights Unit, City of
Philadelphia



Edessa Snyder

HR Talent Acquisitions
Specialist, Veterans
BRG Chair, UPS

In-person attendees will be treated to a team-building exercise, a delicious free lunch, insights from an accomplished panel of first-generation professionals, networking time, and an optional campus tour. There is public transportation to the East Falls campus, and CSN wants to help students get the benefit of in-person networking.

For those who can't make the trip, a Zoom link will be provided for the career panel discussion portion of the agenda.

Space is limited. Register by Tuesday, April 2!

Announcing the CSN Year End Celebration!

Once again, EY is hosting CSN's year-end celebration at their Headquarters at 2005 Market St on April 27, from 11:30 – 1:30 pm (arrive by 11:15 to be escorted up to the floor). We are excited to hear from our keynote speaker, CSN Advisory Board member, and EY Consulting Partner, Jenny Chan.

2024 YEAR END CELEBRATION

- Free Lunch
- Student Excellence Award Winners
- Networking
- Students, Alumni and Volunteers invited!



Featured Guest Speaker **Jenny Chan**
Consulting Partner, Pan-Asian Leader EY



Register by 5 PM Tuesday, April 23

Hosted by EY
2005 Market Street, Philadelphia

April 2024
27TH

Saturday

11:30 AM TO 1:30 PM
(arrive by 11:15 to be escorted to
the floor)



<https://bit.ly/CSNApril2024>

In addition to lunch and networking time, there will be a celebration of the 2024 Student Excellence Award Winners and graduating CSN seniors.

Join us in person, or sign up to hear the keynote address by Zoom.

Register by 5PM, Tuesday, April 23!

Financial Aid information for FGLI Students

CSN partnered with Rise First to host a webinar on the New FAFSA and Scholarships just for First-Generation and/or Low-Income students.

Six financial aid professionals described the process and shared some valuable tips (including how to use AI!).






LIVE WEBINAR: COLLECTIVE RISE FIRST

FINANCIAL AID FOR FIRST-GEN COLLEGE STUDENTS

THE NEW FAFSA, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND Q&A

THURSDAY, FEB 29, 7-8:30 PM ET VIA ZOOM
REGISTER HERE BY FEB 26: <https://bit.ly/2024NewFAFSA>

SPEAKERS/PANELISTS

 Matt Newlin, Ed.D. First Gen Professional Higher Education Consultant	 Joseph Alaimo Director, Financial Aid Gateway Mercy University	 Assumpta Galang Associate Director, College & Career Success Apex for Youth
 Sandra Mejia Associate Director of Financial Aid Temple University	 Jossie Johnson Director of Financial Aid Chester Hill College	 Pamela Ramanzhan Executive Director, Financial Aid Thomas Jefferson University East Falls Campus

If you missed the webinar, you can view a YouTube recording here.

Stakeholder Management Workshop



Drew Georges of Solomon Rubik's Consulting Group in NYC, came to Philadelphia to lead an intimate group of students and professionals in exploring the importance of managing and cultivating relationships.



Thank you Drew for volunteering your time and providing this insightful

Spotlight on CSN Co-Executive Director Chenora Burkett

We are so proud to have Chenora Burkett, CPA as the Co-Executive Director at CSN. Besides her key leadership role at CSN, Chenora is very active in the local business and nonprofit community and has been selected as a Philadelphia 2024 Power Lister!!!



👏 Congratulations Chenora and thanks for all that you do for CSN!

CSN wants to help you find summer internships

There are life sciences companies in the Philadelphia area that are looking specifically for FGLI talent to fill open positions for the summer and beyond (they appreciate the many assets that FGLI students bring to the workplace!).

Students and recent graduates are invited to submit their resumes and career interests to “CSN Talent”. If you tell us your areas of interest and upload a copy of your resume, CSN will notify you if a suitable opportunity arises and give you the choice of whether to apply.



Jobs and internships in the
Philadelphia area are looking for you!

Share your resume and interests and let
CSN connect you with opportunities



<https://bit.ly/CSNtalent>

There is no obligation for you to accept if you are invited to schedule an interview or if you receive an offer of employment. And all along the way, CSN is available to coach you through the process and to help with any issues or

questions. If you are searching for a job, what do you have to lose?

Sign-up is open!

Girl Scouts of South Eastern PA are looking for FGLI talent for summer jobs



Come Work at Camp!

We are hiring at Girl Scout camps throughout the council! Working at camp is an opportunity to meet new people, broaden your horizons, and learn how to be a leader!

Working at camp, you will become a role model for girls aged 5-17 and grow as an individual. While caring for campers, staff become proficient in time management, problem solving, public speaking, crisis management, and more! Gaining practical skills and forming lifelong friendships are just two reasons why working at Girl Scout camp is a great way to spend your summer.



camp experience complete with a lake, high ropes course and a zip line!

- **Camp Wood Haven**—Pine Grove, PA: Just minutes away from a hike on the Appalachian Trail, this camp offers a barn with 16 horses, a variety of unique places to camp, and a quirky collection of staff!
- **Camp Laughing Waters**—Gilbertsville, PA: Located in Montgomery County with lots of land to explore, this camp offers both horseback riding and high ropes!
- **Camp Shelly Ridge**—Lafayette Hill, PA: Just a 30-minute drive from Philly, this camp offers both day and residential camp. This small camp has a rock wall, hiking trails, and a nice pool!

Jobs at Camp

- General Counselor

Day Camps run weeklong sessions Monday through Friday. Campers are dropped off and picked up every day. Staff work 8-hour days with the option to work

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Kitchen Staff

- **Aquatics / Lifeguard**—Lifeguards at GSEP camps require an American Red Cross certification. This certification can be obtained upon arrival to camp.
- **Managers**—Each area of camp offers manager positions that are available to staff over the age of 21. These staff are usually experienced in camp operation or leadership.

Campers spend their summer earning badges, swimming, and making tie dye!

- **Camp Mountain House**—Allentown, PA: 8 week program starting mid-June!
- **Philly Camp**—Roaming locations in Philadelphia. Summer 2024 will be hosted at the Community College of Philadelphia!

Our Camps

Sleep-Away Camps run weeklong sessions where campers stay overnight from Sundays to Fridays. Staff are provided with three meals a day, access to laundry facilities, specialized training, and a place to stay for the entire summer.

- **Camp Mosey Wood**—White Haven, PA: In the Pocono Mountains, this camp provides a rustic

Visit gsep.org
to learn more
about our
camps!



If you have never been to a summer camp, this is an opportunity to experience the magic of nature, make new friends, get training in soft skills and get paid. There are opportunities to work as a general counselor, adventure staff, equestrian staff, kitchen staff, aquatics/lifeguard and even as a manager at either a day camp or a sleep away camp in the Philadelphia area. GSE can provide transportation if needed.

Apply by selecting Sleepaway Camp Staff or Day Camp Staff

March Madness has officially kicked off at CareerSpring!

Many employers within the CareerSpring Network are seeking motivated and driven interns for summer positions (both 2024 and 2025) and for full time positions. All of the Employer Partners are interested in FGLI talent from the CareerSpring Network—so don't miss out on these opportunities.



Sign up to join the CSN cohort on the CareerSpring platform and get access to these job and internship opportunities!

Besides job postings, CareerSpring also hosts many webinars just for FGLI students and early career professionals. Here are examples of upcoming sessions:

Lunch & Learn: How to Evaluate an Offer & Make an Informed Decision

Thursday, March 21st @ 12:30pm CST / 1:30pm EST

Lunch & Learn: The Power of Networking

Thursday, April 4th @ 12:30pm CST / 1:30pm EST

Lunch & Learn: Financial Responsibility - Preparing for the Real World

Thursday, April 21st @ 12:30pm CST / 1:30pm EST

[Sign up for a CareerSpring webinar here](#)

Feeling stress or anxiety?

As the academic year progresses, it is important to be aware of potential stressors and to manage them effectively. Check out this free resource for wellness and meditation!

[Free Guided Meditation \(Audio & Video\)](#)

Interested in being an active member of the CSN community?

For more information, email us at info@collectivesuccess.org or sign up to:

- **Join a campus chapter:** bit.ly/CSNchapters (left QR code)
- **Volunteer:** bit.ly/CSNvolunteering (middle QR code)
- **Donate:** bit.ly/CSNdonation (right QR code)



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