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## **Updates from CSN**



November is time to celebrate First Generation

College Day - CSN is so proud of our First-Generation

and/or Low-Income (FGLI) students!

## Celebrate First-Gen College Day

Eight years ago, November 8th was designated as National First-Generation College Day, honoring the anniversary of the Higher Education Act of 1965. This year, CSN joined educational institutions and nonprofits in honoring the nation's more than 8 million first-gen undergraduates. In the Philadelphia area, CSN chapters at Drexel and Temple held multiple events for their FGLI chapter members and the CSN intercollegiate Consortium Chapter hosted two fun-filled bowling parties—one at Devon Lanes for the Villanova Chapter and another at Round One in Center City. Attendees enjoyed an evening of strikes, spares, and friendly competition,

taking turns on the lanes and at the game consoles. Attendees of all skill levels participated, celebrating each other's best shots and sharing in the spirit of camaraderie. Both events were lively, with music, laughter, and a strong sense of community!









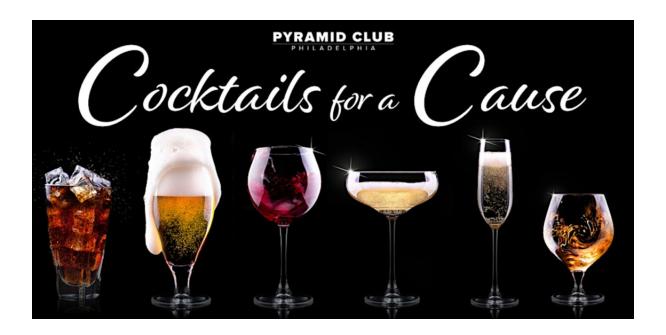




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# Sips & Gifts

Looking to get a head start on your holiday gift-giving? CSN is offering cool gift ideas in a silent auction at the Cocktails for a Cause event at the Pyramid Club.



### Cocktails for a Cause at the Pyramid Club

The Pyramid Club selected CSN for their November 20, 2024 "Cocktails for a Cause" event in honor of the National First-Generation College celebration. The event will bring together FGLI students (receiving a free mocktail) and professionals for a networking and fundraising event. You can enjoy drinks and light bites with CSN professionals and students, catch a great view of the city from the 52nd floor, and shop for a special gift (or a treat for yourself) all while supporting our great cause. Attendance is free with registration!

#### **Silent Auction Includes Gift Certificates or Tickets to:**

- Sixers Game
- Golf outing
- Fine dining
- Wine tasting
- Gourmet gift basket
- Children's book selections

- Theater shows
- Philly Orchestra Performance
- Museum of Art
- Longwood Gardens
- Philly Pub Crawl
- Philly Auto Show

Dress in **business casual** (think smart and polished without being too formal — slacks, khakis, skirts, dresses, blouses, button-downs, or polos. Avoid jeans, sneakers, and overly casual attire).



#### **Cocktails for a Cause**

Light bites, free mocktails for CSN students, cash bar to benefit CSN Silent Auction

Wednesday, November 20th, 6 pm - 8 pm

Register at: bit.ly/CSNcocktails2024



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## **Resources for Students**

**Networking 101 Webinar** 



Are you uncomfortable with "networking"? Since most jobs are filled through word of mouth, building your professional network is a must. Join us for an informational webinar from Dr. Andrea Morris, Assistant Dean and Director Career and Professional Development at The Rockefeller University. Dr. Morris will share her networking tips for FGLI students.

This webinar is being offered as part of the CSN Mentorship program, but all are welcome to attend with registration:



Monday, December 2nd,

<u>7 pm - 8 pm (via Zoom)</u>

Register at: <a href="http://bit.ly/CSN2024networking101">http://bit.ly/CSN2024networking101</a>

Are you a FGLI student and the first in your family to pursue a career in a STEM field? All FGLI students with a STEM major are eligible to join this virtual program to learn how to explore career options including pursuing advanced degrees and prepare to be competitive when applying for internships and jobs. Topics will include using informational interviews, building a professional network, leveraging LinkedIn, recognizing transferrable skills, and polishing resumes. Participants will be reimbursed for one professional society membership of their choice.



Thursday, January 23rd & 30th, February 6th & 18th

6:30 pm - 8 pm (via Zoom)

Register at:

http://bit.ly/CSN2025stem

#### **CSN Talent 2025**

CSN Talent 2025 is a program to help FGLI talent (students and early career professionals) find local jobs and advance their careers. The program has 3 main goals:

- To polish resumes to make them competitive with non-FGLI peers
- To connect FGLI talent with high-quality local job and internship opportunities
- To inform future CSN programs that support FGLI career advancement

We invite you to submit your most current resume to CSN Talent 2025, to

receive a complimentary resume review and be notified of relevant job or summer internship opportunities for your consideration. Your resume will not be shared without your permission.



To join the 2025 cohort, registration is now open at:

https://bit.ly/CSNtalent2025



Our nonprofit partner CareerSpring is dedicated to empowering FGLI talent with career navigation, mentorship, access to jobs and internships and a free career consultation and resume review from a professional.

Their services are free.



Register here to be part of the CSN cohort and access the CareerSpring resources:

https://bit.ly/CSNcareerspring

## **CareerSpring Demo**

Not sure whether CareerSpring is for you? Join us for an informational webinar and demonstration of the CareerSpring platform and how you can request a personalized consult from a professional.



#### Thursday, November 21, 2024

7 pm – 8 pm (via Zoom with registration)

https://bit.ly/CSN2024careerspringdemo

# Investing in FGLI students is an investment in our collective future

While FGLI students face numerous challenges, their resilience and determination continue to shine through. CSN is proud of their perseverance and our collective success. We are especially proud to watch as CSN students who benefited from CSN mentorship and professional development programs go on to apply their skills to "pay it forward" by assuming leadership roles and helping their FGLI peers and communities.

Are you ready to "pay it forward"? In addition to recognizing first-gen students' achievements and contributions to their schools and communities, First Generation College Celebration Day is an opportunity for us all to show our commitment to dismantling barriers to first-generation success. Help CSN deliver on our mission by volunteering and/or donating now!



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

• Join a campus chapter: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/CSNchapters">bit.ly/CSNchapters</a> (left QR code)

• Volunteer: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/CSNvolunteering">bit.ly/CSNvolunteering</a> (middle QR code)

• **Donate:** <u>bit.ly/CSNdonation</u> (right QR code)



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