



Youth Empowerment Initiatives

A BRIDGE TO BRILLIANCE

WHY IS YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SO IMPORTANT TO US?

Our youth empowerment initiatives are dedicated to fostering the personal and collective growth of young people, providing a vibrant space for learning, collaboration, and empowerment.

We believe in nurturing the talents, aspirations, and voices of our youth. Our programs are designed to inspire, educate, and equip young people with the skills and confidence they need to thrive in and beyond Delco.

We empower our youth - not disinvest, neglect, discourage, or incarcerate them.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- BIPOC youth
- LGBTQQIA+ youth
- Special needs & disabled youth
- Youth/students that reside in or go to Upper Darby, William Penn, or Southeast Delco school districts

Certain programs and initiatives will be for specific age groups or populations. Our youth empowerment initiatives generally serve those who are 8-25 years old.

GET INVOLVED!

- Register: Our youth empowerment and programming calendars are active! Check out our upcoming events and programs on our website to register.
- Collaboration: If your organization is committed to making a positive impact on and empowering our youth, join in our youth empowerment initiatives by filling out the Event & Program Collaboration Form!



Workshops & Cohorts: Our workshops and cohorts will provide skills and resources, fostering self-efficacy and resilience. Workshop themes will range from self-love, advocacy, harm reduction, mental health, and much more!



Leadership Development: Prioritizing trust and relationship building, our leadership development cohorts will be a long-term program ranging from 12 to 24 weeks. Transformative justice approaches will be implemented.



Violence Prevention & De-escalation Training: Violence has impacted our youth and marginalized communities on many levels. We will prioritize conflict resolution, anger management, restorative justice approaches, crisis intervention support, and trauma-responsive approaches.



Diversiory Programs: The beauty of creative arts and expression are important to self-discovery and empowerment. From visual to audio, to writing and speaking, we will have something for our youth to excel in and enjoy!



Mentorship & Internships: Our mentorship and internship programs will provide opportunities for individuals to assist with center operations, conducting activities and cohorts, and fostering leadership and personal growth within the community. This will extend into advocating for marginalized youth's needs, and empowering participants to navigate challenges and pursue long-term goals.



Educational Series: Education is a cornerstone of empowerment. In collaboration with Upper Darby, William Penn, and Southeast Delco school districts, we are facilitating an 8-part opioid educational series. Educational series focusing on vaping, de-escalation training, violence prevention, and financial & digital literacy are soon to come!