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HAPPENINGS

DREAMING IN COLOR - HOPE GALA 2023

The mission of CYP is to improve the health and life opportunities of at-risk youth using a comprehensive approach aimed at developing their capabilities. The organization hosts an annual event to generate support for these youth to help them reach their fullest potential. This year's Hope Gala will be on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at The Sinclair. The event brings Chicago's corporate and philanthropic communities together in a fun, celebratory setting to honor these deserving young people.

We will be honoring the contributors that helped with the groundbreaking and building of CYP headquarters.

Please contact Marcus Sumrall for additional information and sponsorship opportunities.

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EMBODY HERSTORY RECAP

Last month marked our first ever "Embody HERstory" event in celebration of Women's History Month. Below are some highlights!

- 20 of CYP's young women received a day full of pampering which included their hair being styled by beauticians as well as receiving manicures from nail technicians.
- Catered Lunch and Dinner.
- Hosted a panel discussion focused on promoting self awareness and identity with the young women as well as guided conversation about personal and professional growth.

Thank you to our Partners at Sweeney Taud and Dynasty Effect who helped make this event happen. And, thanks to everyone who participated!

Check out our video recap [here!](#)



CYP SPOTLIGHT **Get to know Stephen Minter**

Background/Bio.

Born and raised on the South Side of Chicago, Stephen has always been ambitious and goal driven. Stephen received his Bachelor's Degree from Illinois State University in Public Relations, Advertising and Applied Communications. He also received his Master's of Arts from Texas Southern University in Organizational Communication. Stephen is currently finishing up his PhD from Prairie View A&M University in Educational Leadership graduating in August 2023.

Post graduation, what are your plans?

Potentially taking on a new city. Finding a role within higher education and pursuing goals of being a serial entrepreneur.

What's your favorite memory at CYP?

The college trips were always the best things to look forward to!

What part has CYP played along your journey?

Honestly, building lifelong friendships and the financial support really made the transition through college smooth.

What food can you not live without?

Carbs. Bread, rice, potatoes, pasta.

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CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATION Celebration

FRIDAY JUNE 2, 2023
6:30PM - 8:00PM
CYP GYMNASIUM

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Join us in celebrating our 2023 Pre-K, Kindergarten, Middle School, High School and College graduates. There will also be a special awards ceremony honoring outstanding youth participants and parents.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20th - Empowering HIM

June 2nd - CYP Graduation

June 3rd - End of School Year Prep Rally/Basketball Game

June 17th - Peace Streets/Juneteenth

June 25th - Summer Camp Begins



10 MILLION DOLLAR FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

1984

is the year CYP began

750

youth served annually

100%

high school graduation and
post-secondary
matriculation rate in 2022

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life of Chicago Youth
Programs Youth!**

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CYP ALL STAR Meet **Monese**

Monese has been involved with Chicago Youth Programs since 2011 and has been devoted to growing herself as well as making a difference in the lives of those younger than her.

Monese is now taking on a new challenge, leading the dance and cheerleading club for CYP. In addition to this, Monese has been on academic honor for the past three quarters (pacing to be on academic honor roll this upcoming quarter). With the support of her family and CYP, Monese is thriving and reaching her full potential.

We are so grateful for the dedication and hard work Monese puts in inside and outside of CYP. And we are proud of Monese for her achievements and wish her continued success in all her endeavors.



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