CITY- WIDE BOYS & YOUNG MEN OF COLOR INITIATIVE BREAKING BARRIERS AND DEVELOPING LEADERS

YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (YLC) PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

What is the Boys and Young Men of Color Youth Leadership Council?

A council made up of 100 Boys and Young Men of Color from the Greater Buffalo area to raise youth voice and to strengthen and improve the life outcomes of young males of color. The council will address policy, systems, and narratives impacting boys and young men of color. Youth council members will have an opportunity to tell their story and take advantage of leadership opportunities.

Youth Leadership Council Goals

- Raise youth voice around issues impacting Boys and Young Men of Color
- Change the narrative surrounding Boys and Young Men of Color
- Understand and impact policies and systems affecting Boys and Young Men of Color
- Create leadership opportunities for youth
- Empower young men to be leaders positively impacting their community
- Improve listening and presentation skills
- Support young men in developing new relationships and networks

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Expectations

- Attend Two (2) four hour meetings per month at Bennett Community Campus located at 2885 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14214
- Participate in leadership opportunities
- Engage in online social media projects
- Provide feedback and suggestions to improve YLC
- Commit to impacting your community in a positive way
- Recruit participants for 2020-2021 YLC

Eligibility Criteria

- Complete and submit application by Thursday, January 31, 2019
- Complete interview process if selected
- Be a least 12-24 years of age (parent consent if under 18)
- Do not have to be currently enrolled in school
- Live in the Greater Buffalo area