



## Are YOU Our Next Guest Blogger?

*Share your work, your story, or your informed perspective*

SCY's [weekly blog](#) is an avenue to share information, connect stakeholders, and encourage conversations. This platform allows us to take a deeper look at timely topics and relevant resources, highlight partners and evidence-based programs, promote and raise awareness, and reflect on issues of social justice and violence prevention. The goal of the blog is to provide a space for open dialogue, debate, and brainstorming to realize community-based solutions to youth violence and the various factors playing into it.

We encourage and invite SCY partners to write about their work, organization, program, or other area of interest and expertise. If you are interested, check out our blog guidelines and email your blog ideas and questions to Kelli Day at [kday@luriechildrens.org](mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org).



## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

**March 17**

*I See You: Hyperinvisibility of*

### Greetings!

National Youth Violence Prevention Week is coming up April 4-8, and it's a good time to raise awareness of the good work you're doing to prevent violence and of the availability of effective violence prevention strategies. Get ideas for activities [here](#) and join the conversation using the hashtags #violencefreeCHI and #NYVPW.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Levin, MPH  
Director, Strengthening Chicago's Youth (SCY)  
Strategic Director, Injury Prevention and Research Center  
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

## Join the Youth Advisory Board

*Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission (IJJC)*

The Youth Advisory Board (YAB) is a group of youth and young adults who are committed to advocating for and making changes to improve the juvenile justice system. In addition, they provide education to youth, members of the public, and policy makers on related issues. The YAB works in collaboration with the IJJC.

If you have anyone in mind for this opportunity, please encourage them to apply. You can access the application [here](#). The deadline to apply is **Friday, March 21**. Please direct any further questions to Nora Collins-Mandeville at [yab@icoyouth.org](mailto:yab@icoyouth.org).



## Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission

## Foundations of Mentoring

*Two-Day Workshop*

Geared towards new or start-up mentoring programs interested in gaining a deeper understanding of national best practices. This training, designed and facilitated by Illinois Mentoring Partnership, is focused on how to implement best practices in mentoring programs and strategies to effectively leverage partnerships to reflect program mission and vision.

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Tuesday & Wednesday, March 22-23, 2016

*Black Women & Girls in Dialogues on Criminalization and Justice*

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## March 18

*Pushed Out, Arrested Locked Up: The Intersection Between Mental Health and Juvenile Justice*

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## March 19

*Identity, Power and Oppression*

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## March 19

*National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Conference  
Piecing It All Together: Fostering Family Resilience*

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## March 21

*Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission's Youth Advisory Board Application Deadline*

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## March 22-23

*Two-Day Foundations of Mentoring Workshop*

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## March 23

*The Mask You Live In Film Screening and Panel Discussion*

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## March 23

*Podcasting Workshop*

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## March 23

*Stress, Meditation, & the Adolescent Brain*

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## March 25

*Force For Good (FFG)*

9:00am - 3:00pm  
Gads Hill Center  
1919 West Cullerton Street, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



## The Mask You Live In

*Film Screening and Panel Discussion*

The *Mask You Live In* will spur conversations we rarely have around the narrow definition of "masculinity." Join the [Chicago Foundation for Women](#) immediately after the film for a panel on gender norms and how these narrow definitions play out within the context of work in the community and personal lives.

Wednesday, March 23, 2016  
4:00pm - 6:15pm  
Harold Washington Library Center  
Cindy Pritzker Auditorium  
400 S. State Street, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

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for women

## Force For Good (FFG)

*Capacity Building Program*

The Chicago Police Department's Force For Good (FFG) program understands that community safety is maximized when the local organizations that work to reduce violence and increase public safety are healthy and intact. To achieve the goal of having police and community work together on violence prevention, the FFG program offers support to strengthen the foundation and capacity of community based organizations.

Over a series of months, FFG members participate in a calendar of robust trainings, consultation, and technical assistance designed to

Capacity Building Program  
Application Deadline  
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## March 29

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Launch  
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## March 30-April 2

The 49th Annual American  
Association of Suicidology  
Conference  
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## March 30

2016 National Violent Death  
Reporting System Surveillance  
Academy at the Annual American  
Association of Suicidology  
Conference  
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## March 31

Counting for Accountability:  
Police Violence, Segregation, Jim  
Crow, & the People's Health--  
Racism & Embodied History  
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## April 1

Swift, Certain, & Fair Supervision:  
Trainign for Courts, Community  
Corrections, Law Enforcement,  
and Service Providers  
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## April 3

Concert for Peace  
A Remembrance  
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## April 4

Illinois Children's Mental Health  
Partnership 2016 Say It Out  
Loud! poster contest deadline  
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## April 6

Youth & Resilience Professional  
Development Training Series:  
Cultural Awareness and  
Competency  
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## April 8

help organizations grow and/or stabilize, and ultimately, expand  
their good work.

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Application Deadline  
Friday, March 25, 2016

More information and application [here](#)  
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The Official Website of the Chicago Police Department

## Healthy Chicago 2.0 Launch

*Partnering to Improve Health Equity*

Join health leaders from across the city as the Chicago Department of Public Health unveils the citywide plan to ensure health equity for all residents. Developed together with more than 200 community partners and organizations, [Heath Chicago 2.0](#) outlines strategies focused on closing health inequities still facing our residents and neighborhoods.

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Tuesday, March 29, 2016  
10:00am

South Shore Cultural Center  
7059 S. South Shore Drive, Chicago

Registration [here](#)  
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## Counting for Accountability

*Police Violence, Segregation, Jim Crow & the People's  
Health--Racism & Embodied History*

Join the Institute for [Research on Race and Public Policy at UIC](#) for the next installment of their Embodied Inequity series. The presenting speaker is Nancy Krieger, PhD with Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, an internationally recognized social epidemiologist with a background in biochemistry, philosophy of science, and history of public health, plus 30+ years of activism involving social justice, science, and health.

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Thursday, March 31, 2016  
12:00pm - 1:30pm

Student Center West, Thompson Rooms B & C  
828 S. Wolcott Ave., Chicago

BUILD 2016 Youth Innovation  
Conference  
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## April 8-9

Racial Justice in Praxis  
Conference  
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## April 9, May 7, June 4

White Folks & Racial Justice  
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## April 12

What Makes a Community Grow?  
Community Forum  
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## April 12-14

Safe States Alliance 2016 Annual  
Meeting in Albuquerque, New  
Mexico  
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## April 15

National Alliance on Mental  
Illness (NAMI) Conference  
Piecing It All Together: How  
Children's Mental Health &  
Mental Illness Affects Home,  
School, & Community  
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## April 16-17

Doctor: Is Your Patient At Risk for  
Gun Violence?  
Training for Clinical and Public  
Health Professionals  
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## April 18-21

After School Matters University:  
Finding Your Path Workshop,  
Panel, and Resource Fair  
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## April 19

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Responding to Abuse  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## April 20

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Search Engine Optimization  
Workshop  
[LEARN MORE](#)

More information and registration [here](#)



**Institute for Research on  
Race and Public Policy**

## Swift, Certain, & Fair Supervision

*Training for Courts, Community Corrections, Law  
Enforcement, and Service Providers*

Courts, community corrections, and law enforcement agencies across the country have used Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) guiding supervision principles to reduce re-offending, arrest, incarceration, and jail and prison violence.

The [Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority](#) invites members of state and local community corrections, law enforcement, court, and service provider agencies to a FREE training event on implementing SCF strategies to reduce recidivism in the community and increase safety in correctional facilities.

Friday, April 1, 2016

10:00am - 5:00pm

James R. Thompson Center  
100 W. Randolph St., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

## Concert for Peace

*A Remembrance*

The Terrell Bosley Anti-Violence Association will host a "Concert for Peace" in remembrance of Terrell Bosley's life and legacy. Terrell loved playing gospel music and had an opportunity to play the bass guitar and drums for many gospel artists and churches in the Chicagoland area. This goal of this concert is to give hope and comfort to people affected by gun violence while raising awareness to end the epidemic.

Sunday, April 3, 2016

4:00 pm

New Bethlehem #4 M.B.C.  
8850 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago

Contact Pamela D. M. Bosley for more information  
[pbosley@thearkofstsabina.org](mailto:pbosley@thearkofstsabina.org) or 773-236-8980

## April 22

*Youth and Mental Health:  
Understanding, Engaging and  
Destigmatizing*  
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## April 26

*What Makes a Community Grow?  
Community Forum*  
[READ MORE](#)

## April 27 & May 4

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*Spokesperson Workshop*  
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## April 29 - May 1

*Awaken Chicago: The Power of  
All People. Together*  
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## May 4

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*Youth & Resilience Professional  
Development Training Series*  
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## May 5

*SCY Quarterly Meeting:  
Leveraging Health Systems  
Reform with Innovative  
Collaborations (tentative topic)*  
[LEARN MORE & REGISTER](#)

## May 7

*White Folks & Racial Justice*  
[READ MORE](#)

## May 9-10

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*2016 Los Angeles Gang Violence  
Prevention & Intervention  
Conference*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## May 11-14

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*Journey to Justice: Creating  
Change Through Partnerships --  
14th International Conference*  
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## May 13-14

*Peace Hub's 2016 Impact Youth  
Conference*  
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# Cultural Awareness and Competency

## *Youth & Resilience Professional Development Series*

Culture influences every aspect of social service - for those planning, funding, and providing services, as well as those seeking and receiving them. This training seeks to expand participants' knowledge of what makes up our individual and systemic cultures and how to bring this understanding into both long-term planning and day to day work.

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Wednesday, April 6, 2016

1:00pm - 4:00pm

The Night Ministry

4711 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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# BUILD 2016

## *Youth Innovation Conference*

Innovation. Creativity. Leadership. The future for youth has never looked more promising. Youth making a difference, youth on the cutting edge, youth inspiring change. Be a part of this dynamic one of a kind youth conference featuring youth and youth advocates in a series of discussions, workshops and demonstrations.

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Friday, April 8, 2016

9:00am - 3:30pm

Roosevelt University

430 S Michigan Ave, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## June 4

*White Folks & Racial Justice*  
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## June 30

### SAVE THE DATE

*Anti-Defamation League's 2016  
First Amendment Art & Essay  
Contest Deadline*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## July 12-15

### SAVE THE DATE

*Integrating Primary and  
Behavioral Health through the  
Lens of Prevention Conference  
(New Orleans)*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## August 11

*SCY Quarterly Meeting:  
Community Development as  
Violence Prevention (tentative  
topic)*  
[LEARN MORE & REGISTER](#)

## November 16

*SCY Quarterly Meeting: SCY's  
Policy Agenda Progress and  
Update for 2017-208*  
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SCY's bi-monthly update, email Kelli Day  
at [kday@luriechildrens.org](mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org).

## Lead a SCY Training

# White Folks & Racial Justice

## 3-Part Social Justice Training Series

This workshop is a space for white people committed to anti-racist practices to collectively build strategies that interrupt systems of white supremacy and actively challenge racism as a barrier to multiracial movement building. Using a variety of media, story circles and arts activities, this training will talk about anti-racist freedom fighters & counter-narrative histories of resistance. Participants will hone skills and strategies to effectively fight for our collective liberation.

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Saturday, April 9, 2016  
Saturday, May 7, 2016  
Saturday, June 4, 2016  
After School Matters  
66 E. Randolph Street, Chicago

Sliding Scale Cost based on number of sessions  
More information and registration [here](#)



# What Makes a Community Grow?

## Community Forums

The Cook County Justice Advisory Council, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, and the Cook County Department of Homeland Security want to know what South Suburban community members think will improve safety and increase opportunity in their neighborhoods.

If you live or work in the southeast and southwest suburbs, we need your voice. Help shape the County's agenda for the southeast and southwest suburbs.



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April 12, 2016  
6:00pm - 8:00pm  
Raday Lodge  
3220 145th Street, Midlothian, IL

April 26, 2016  
6:00 - 8:00pm  
South Holland Community Center  
501 E 170th Street, South Holland, IL

More information and registration [here](#)

Share your expertise, experience, knowledge, and lessons learned

Strengthening Chicago's Youth hosts capacity-building trainings on violence prevention in Chicago. Past topics have included mental health, youth programming, data-driven advocacy, media, restorative justice, and trauma-informed care, among others. Trainings frequently involve information sharing, networking, and interactive action planning. If you or your organization are interested in partnering with SCY for a future training, learn more [here](#).



## Follow SCY's Blog!

*And join the discussion on youth violence prevention in Chicago*

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## Doctor: Is Your Patient At Risk for Gun Violence?

*Training for Clinical and Public Health Professionals*

Gun violence is a public health issue that claims more than 30,000 lives each year placing a tremendous burden on America's health care system. This conference will focus on how gun violence impacts patients and communities and includes discussions on gun access, legal and ethical restraints, gun violence symptoms, patient referrals, and stakeholder engagement and collaboration.

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Saturday & Sunday, April 16-17, 2016  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
Thompson Rooms, Student Center West  
828 S. Wolcott Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Calling on Chicago's Freshman and Sophomores

*After School Matters University (ASMU)*

ASMU will provide freshmen and sophomore teens with an opportunity to explore, engage and learn about the college experience. The program will help to remove mental, social and emotional barriers high school youth have about pursuing a degree, a trade, or a career. Teens will participate in workshops that touch on choosing a major, dormitory/campus life, resume building and networking, and a host of other topics. Teens will also participate in discussion panels and a college tour that will be tailored to their individual interests.

Download the Parent and Guardian [recruitment letter!](#)

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April 18-21, 2016  
Gallery 37 Center for the Arts  
66 E. Randolph St., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Youth and Mental Health

*Understanding, Engaging, and Destigmatizing*

community-based solutions to youth violence and the various factors playing into it.



Please join the Training Network Committee of Chicago at the third annual symposium. This year will be focused on youth mental health while considering a trauma informed perspective. The Training Network Committee of Chicago is a consortium of service providers who collaborate and share training and staff development resources in order to best meet the needs of those served by community-based behavioral health organizations.

Friday, April 22, 2016

9:00am - 5:00pm

Northside Prep High School  
5501 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



## Awaken Chicago

*The Power of All People. Together.*

This conference is a weekend journey across Chicago's divides to awaken the power within all of us, individually and collectively, to transform the isolation, inequality and violence in our city. Among the featured speakers are Damon Williams, co-chair BYP100 Chicago, Pema Chodron, and Rev. Michael Pfleger.

April 29 - May 1, 2016

University of Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



## One Summer Chicago

*Applications Now Open*

One Summer Chicago brings together government institutions, community-based organizations and companies to offer over 25,000 employment and internship opportunities to youth and young adults ages 14 to 24. Interested youth and employers may



visit [www.onesummerchicago.org](http://www.onesummerchicago.org) for additional information and application materials.



## Impact Youth 2016: A Journey Toward Peace

*The Peace Hub Conference*

The Peace Hub's 2nd annual conference designed specifically for youth and youth advocates. The Impact Youth conference will present approaches to addressing roadblocks such as transportation, violence, and mental health, which interfere with young people's access to getting the services they need.



**PEACE \* HUB**

Interested in presenting? Contact Susan Lanier 773-290-5821 or [susan.lanier@ucanichicago.org](mailto:susan.lanier@ucanichicago.org) to learn more.

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Friday & Saturday, May 13-14, 2016  
Gary Comer Youth Center  
7200 S. Ingleside, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## *Funding Opportunities*

For assistance developing research projects or connecting with research partners, please contact Rebecca Levin at [rebecca@luriechildrens.org](mailto:rebecca@luriechildrens.org).

Title	Sponsor	Important Dates
Partnership Development Seed Grants <a href="#">↗</a>	Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) and the Northwestern University Clinical & Translational Sciences Institute (NUCATS)	Deadline: March 18, 2016

Accountable Health Community (AHC) <a href="#">↗</a>	Center for Medicare & Medicaid Service	Deadline: March 31, 2016
College Sexual Assault Policy and Prevention Initiative <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Women's Health	Deadline: April 8, 2016
Communities Addressing Childhood Trauma (ACT) <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	Deadline: April 18, 2016
Re-Entry Community Linkages (RE-LINK) Program <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	Deadline: April 21, 2016
Research Dissemination & Implementation Pilot Grants <a href="#">↗</a>	The Center for Community Health (CCH) and the Northwestern University Clinical & Translational Sciences (NUCATS) Institute	Deadline: April 22, 2016

## Job Postings

If you have a position you would like posted here, please send the position title, organization, contact person, brief description and full job description to Kelli Day at [kday@luriechildrens.org](mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org).

Position/Organization	Description
Position: Operations Coordinator  Organization: Strengthening Chicago's Youth (SCY)  Contact: Kelli Day <a href="mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org">kday@luriechildrens.org</a>	Strengthening Chicago's Youth (SCY) is a violence-prevention collaborative and Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children's (CLOCC) is an obesity-prevention program-both convened by Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. This position will support day-to-day operational responsibilities for many of SCY/CLOCC's administrative and communication activities. The successful candidate will work under the direction of SCY's Operations Manager and in collaboration with CLOCC's Fiscal Manager.  <a href="#">Full job description and online application</a>
Position: Part-Time Coordinator at Juvenile Temporary Detention Center (JTDC)  Organization: Girls in the Game  Contact: Beth Tumiel <a href="mailto:btumiel@girlsinthegame.org">btumiel@girlsinthegame.org</a>	Beginning in January 2016, Girls in the Game and the JTDC will bring healthy lifestyle programs to teens living in the JTDC. The part-time Coordinator will be the main staff person for this program. They will be the main staff person leading the programming at the center and will serve as a resource for enrolled girls by providing support and resources. After release from JTDC the Coordinator will help participants transition to Teen Squad, an existing established Girls in the Game program. The coordinator will work with

	<p>released girls to assist them to lead workshops for younger girls and educate adult women on some of the issues facing girls in Chicago.</p> <p><a href="#">Full job description</a></p>
<p>Position: Parent Educator/ Facilitator</p> <p>Organization: Parenting for Non-Violence (P4NV)</p> <p>Contact: TeresaPennix-Gill tgill@parenting4nonviolence.org or Rosemary White rwhite@parenting4nonviolence.org</p>	<p>Parenting for Non-Violence is seeking applications from adults with experience in group presentations to facilitate parent education workshops at sites in African American and Latino neighborhoods. The Parent Educator works with parents in groups utilizing the P4NV and Active Parenting Curriculum program model, implementing it according to the program standards and requirements. A current goal is to connect with more fathers. Daytime availability is a current priority but all inquiries are welcome.</p> <p><a href="#">Full job description</a></p>
<p>Position: Domestic Violence Residential and Community Services Director</p> <p>Organization: YWCA Evanston/North Shore</p> <p>Contact: Kristen White jobs@ywcae-ns.org</p>	<p>Provides leadership and management of the YWCA/Evanston North Shore's residential and community services domestic violence programs with a deep commitment to creating a warm and welcoming space for women and children by developing a team of staff committed to the delivery of high quality, best-practice services.</p> <p><a href="#">Full job description</a></p>
<p>Position: ACEs Coordinator</p> <p>Organization: Health &amp; Medicine Policy Research Group</p> <p>Contact: Maggie Litgen jobs@hmprg.org</p>	<p>Works with the ACEs Program and ACEs Program Manager to support the work of the Illinois ACEs Response Collaborative and other Health &amp; Medicine work to address trauma as a critical public health issue across generations. Provide general administrative support, coordinate committee meetings, maintain and organize the documents of the ACEs Program, assist with the planning of educational and Collaborative events, and maintain an inventory of research and best practices to build resiliency and prevent ACEs. Conduct research related to Adverse Childhood Experiences, trauma, toxic stress, and resiliency, with a focus on equity and social justice.</p> <p><a href="#">Full job description</a></p>

