Strengthening Chicago's Youth



May 2023

## Letter from the Manager, Violence Prevention Initiatives

Dear Strengthening,

Last week, members of the SCY team had the opportunity to attend City Club of Chicago where Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx announced she would not be seeking re-election for a third term. Kim Foxx <u>delivered a powerful speech</u> reflecting on her accomplishments that are helping to repair the trust of the community in our criminal-legal system. As she transitions out of her current role, her announcement served as a powerful demonstration of shifting the narrative that she wishes to be her legacy. As we look to other transitions in our local leadership, we know there are distinct challenges ahead for Mayor-Elect Brandon Johnson to build a new narrative around the roots and solutions to violence in our city. These messages and opportunities serve as a reminder to us all to keep working to reduce violence in our communities, advocating for juvenile justice reform, and elevating youth voices to change the narrative and about change in our city.

Sincerely,
Brit Johnson
Manager, Violence Prevention Initiatives
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### TAKING BACK YOUR NARRATIVE

### **Network Policy Briefing**

This event is part of an exciting new webinar series empowering social sector organizations, staff, and volunteers to transform their expertise, lived experience, and passions into an effective advocacy strategy to create local, regional, and national change. Attendees will be provided with novice and seasoned policy and change advocates the change to participate in a briefing on government contracting reform, grant-making, and other topics.



Tues, May 2 | 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Virtual (via Zoom)

#### ADVANCING EDI FOR A MORE PERFECT UNION

### **May Session**

Understanding how to build an inclusive and equitable culture is the task of every leader within an organization and is essential in building a perfect union. During this three-part virtual workshop presented by **Social Current**, participants will explore their relationships with EDI in a safe environment and make progress on developing an EDI action plan for their organizations.



Thurs, May 4I 10:00AM - 2:00PM Thurs, May 11I 12:00PM - 4:00PM Thurs, May 18 I 12:00PM - 4:00PM Virtual (via Zoom)

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# SCY/JJC VIRTUAL TRAINING: CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS AND INCLUSIVE SUPPORT FOR LGBTQIA2S+

## Part 1: An Introduction to Providing Inclusive Care

Please join Joey Carillo (He, Him, His) an Equal Justice Works Fellow and Attorney. Joey runs the LGBTQ+ Anti-Violence and Safety Projects (LASP) with Legal Aid Chicago and is passionate about serving the queer community. This training will be an introductory discussion on inclusive care for the LGBTQIA2S+ community. In Part 1 of this 2-Part Series, participants will develop an understanding of cultural competency, using inclusive language, and best practices when working with LGBTQIA2S+ folks.





Fri, May 5 | 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM Virtual (via Zoom)

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### Part 2: An Anti-Oppression Framework & Overview of Legal Protections

Please join Joey Carillo (He, Him, His) an Equal Justice Works Fellow and Attorney with the Children and Families Practice Group, for a discussion regarding an anti-oppressive framework for LGBTQIA2S+youth. In Part 2 of this 2-Part Series, participants will develop an understanding



of frameworks of oppression and poverty and learning best practices for ensuring confidentiality and maintaining internal records and documentation when working with LGBTQIA2S+.



Fri, May 12 | 10:00AM - 11:15AM Virtual (via Zoom)

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### **NVDRS CONFERENCE**

# The First National Conference Focused on the National Violent Death Reporting System

This meeting will bring together an array of stakeholders to showcase findings from the National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) and demonstrate how the use of NVDRS data has helped to develop, expand, monitor, and sustain violence prevention programs, policies, and practices. Attendees will also explore the future possibilities for novel methods to enhance the data and so much more.



Tues, May 16 - Thurs, May 18
Hyatt Regency
333 W. Kilbourne Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53203

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### **GRANT WRITING FOR NONPROFITS 101**

#### How to Write a Grant That Wins

Writing grants are not just about the words you use or the statistics you utilize. It is a complicated combination of factors to engage your grantmakers so that they say "Yes!" and you win the grant award for your organization. Participating in this <a href="CharityHowTo">CharityHowTo</a> course will provide you with the basic knowledge and understanding of what elements go into a successful nonprofit grant application once you have identified an opportunity you want to apply for.



Weds, May 17 | 2:00PM - 3:30 PM Virtual

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#### MPH STUDENT COMMUNITY BASED-PROJECT

The Master of Public Health (MPH) program at Northwestern University invites everyone to attend the biannual Applied Practice Experience (APEx) presentation event. Celebrate the students' accomplishments as they present their community-based projects that aim to meet the needs of a community partner organization and the populations it serves. Learn about the wide range of public health projects happening in Chicago and beyond and network with members of the public health community.



Fri, May 19 | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Simpson Querry Atrium 303 E. Superior St. Chicago, IL 60611

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### **NEWSLETTER CONTENT**

To have an event or article included in SCY's monthly update, email Operations Specialist <u>Kirstin Grabski</u>.











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