

## **Pre-Application Program Overview**

- Please review the slides to gain a better understanding NMAC's Youth Initiative and it's requirements.
- A link to the application is at the end of the presentation.







### Program Sponsors/Partners

- ViiV Healthcare
  - https://us.viivhealthcare.com/

- Advocates for Youth
  - https://www.advocatesforyouth.org/
- Magic Johnson Foundation
  - http://magicjohnson.org/







# Youth Initiative Key Staff

- Linda H. Scruggs: the Acting Director of the Leadership Pipeline.
- Charles Shazor Jr.: Charles is a Program Coordinator for the Leadership Pipeline
- Jennifer Augustine: Jennifer is the Vice President, Organizational Development Division Director, Health and Social Equity @ Advocates for Youth
- Louie A. Ortiz-Fonseca: Louie is the Director, LGBTQ Health & Rights @ Advocates for Youth
- **Cydney Brown:** is the Program Manager, LGBTQ Health and Rights @ Advocates for Youth



The 2018 Youth Initiative will provide young people the opportunity to be a voice for young people in HIV leadership through community awareness and engagement

The 2018 Youth Initiative will provide young people, skills and tools to create a of in the HIV leadership community within communities of color.

The 2018 Youth Initiative will provide youth tangible benefits and true leadership development in the HIV field to be used to enhance education, advocacy and community awareness.

# Program Overview

- NMAC's Youth Initiative Program develops future leaders among a cadre of Youth Scholars to take action to end HIV/AIDS in their communities through educational trainings, and professional development and networking opportunities.
- Youth Scholars also cultivate skills needed to formulate community oriented activities rooted in evidence-based and best-practices strategies, and explore funding and career opportunities to sustain these efforts.
- Youth Scholars attend a separate training track during the the USCA (Sept. 6-9) to provide professional development and new skills to ready Youth engagement in their local communities.
- Lastly, identified youth will paired with previous scholars and professional mentors for guidance.

## Program Requirements

- Each scholar must be 18-25 by Sept. 6, 2017
- Each scholar is required to submit a completed application
- Each scholar is required to turn in a 250 word bio and headshot within 10 days of acceptance letter
- Each scholar is required to compete a assessment within 10 days of acceptance letter (via survey monkey)
- Each scholar is required to submit a letter of support (on letterhead) by a organization providing HIV care or prevention services or an educational institutional staff person





 And at least one additional social action project for an national awareness day (your choice)

#### To complete these requirements:

- Each scholar is required to participate in monthly webinars (60-90 mins)
- Each scholar is required to identify a event
- Each scholar is required to develop a work-plan (webinar training)
- Each scholar is required to complete program assignments (homework)
- Each scholar is required to identify at least one community partner to work with for their social action project
- Each scholar is required to travel to the in-person training during the USCA conference Sept. 6-9,2017

# SOCIAL ACTION PROJECTS/ Community Events

- The projects are based on the scholars interests in HIV Care or prevention, but mere participation in an existing civic engagement program will not be sufficient. Rather scholars must play a significant leadership role in the endeavor.
- Scholars will present their projects to their peers and other key program stakeholders
- Each project must:
  - Be implemented in partnership with an HIV Care or Prevention service organization, school, college or business.

# SOCIAL ACTION PROJECTS/ Community Events Sample Timeline

- Month 1-3 Youth Scholars will begin to design and plan a social action project in their community around World AIDS Day 2017.
- Month 4-6 Youth Scholars will begin implantation and completion of the social action project
- NMAC staff and program mentors will support Scholars to strategize individual-specific projects.
- NMAC will make available through a grant up to 10 competitive micro-grants up to \$500 for youth that partner with local organizations to support their approved social action project (an application process will be available by 9/17/2018). The grants are only available to non-profit organizations serving the HIV community.



Thank you for reviewing the program overview, if you feel you will benefit from this unique experience you can access the Youth Initiative Application HERE: https://nmac.z2systems.com/np/clients/nmac/survey.isp?surveyId=57

Please do not forget to have your letter of support (on letterhead) emailed to <a href="Leadership\_Pipe@nmac.org">Leadership\_Pipe@nmac.org</a> by April 10, 2018

If you have additional questions please contact us at <a href="mailto:Leadership\_Pipe@nmac.org">Leadership\_Pipe@nmac.org</a>