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# **Springboard to Success**

## Our Commitment to CHA Youth: Building a Brighter Future

At <u>Springboard to Success</u>, we're dedicated to empowering the youth of Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) households by providing the tools and opportunities they need to achieve academic excellence, economic security, and long-term independence. We believe that every young person deserves the chance to thrive, which is why we're focused on creating strong, supportive communities that foster growth and self-sufficiency.

Our vision is to see every youth in CHA housing achieve stability as an adult, free from the need for housing subsidies. To make this vision a reality, we invest in and enhance programs that equip young people with the 21st Century Learning Skills essential for success in college, careers, and life. Through initiatives like the CHA Resident Scholarship Program and strategic partnerships with local non-profits, we ensure that CHA youth not only access higher education but also have the support they need to persist through to graduation.

But we can't do it alone. We need passionate partners and supporters who are ready to make a difference. Whether you're interested in donating, volunteering, or becoming a community partner, there's a place for you in our mission to uplift Chicago's youth.

Ready to get involved? <u>Learn more about how you can help</u> and join us in building a brighter future.

## **Our Impact**

<u>Springboard to Success</u> has made a significant impact on the lives of CHA youth, helping them to overcome barriers and achieve their dreams. Here's how we're making a difference:

- Over 200 CHA youth celebrated annually at our Take Flight College Reception, each receiving essential support for their college journey.
- **Thousands of dollars in scholarships** awarded through the CHA Resident Scholarship Program, opening doors to higher education for those who need it most.
- **Collaborative partnerships** with local non-profits, providing tailored support services that help CHA youth succeed in and beyond college.
- **Ongoing mentorship and resources** through events like Take Flight: Staying the Course, ensuring students persist through their studies and transition smoothly into the workforce.

Join us in continuing to create positive change. Together, we can help more CHA youth reach their full potential.

#### **Our Programs**

- **Summer University Partner Programs:** These initiatives bridge the gap to college life by immersing CHA youth in university-level learning environments, helping them build the skills and confidence to succeed in higher education.
- **College Pathway Events:** Through events like the Take Flight College Reception and Take Flight: Staying the Course, we provide CHA youth with essential dorm supplies, financial resources, and access to corporate recruiters, helping them navigate and persist through their college journey.
- **CHA Youth Initiatives:** Focused on academic enrichment, leadership development, and career readiness, these initiatives empower youth to thrive in a competitive world.

#### Helping CHA Youth Access and Persist in College

We believe that every young person deserves the opportunity to succeed in higher education. That's why <u>Springboard to Success</u> actively supports programs like the Take Flight College Reception, which celebrates and equips over 200 CHA youth each year as they embark on their college journeys at prestigious institutions across the country. Our continued support through Staying the Course events ensures that these students receive the resources and guidance needed to persist in their studies and transition smoothly into the workforce.