

Coalition of Youth Development Intermediaries

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Origins

Convened by the Summerfield Foundation with an initial seed investment

Responding to what Chronicle on Philanthropy called “Colliding Crises”:

1. Rising costs
2. Government funding cuts and delays (and chaos)
3. Growing demand for services

Organizing youth-serving intermediaries in NYC to collaborate and share resources in new ways

Who We Are

STUDENT SUCCESS
NETWORK



Organizing Team:

- Change Impact
- The Opportunity Network
- Student Success Network
- Summerfield Foundation



Members:

- ExpandedED
- Lawyers Alliance
- Network for Youth Success
- New York Lawyers for the Public Interest
- Partnership for After School Enrichment
- Spark Youth
- Workforce Professionals Training Institute
- Youth, Inc.



Focus Areas

Acute Challenges: communities at risk

- ❖ Nonprofits that exist to serve populations whose **status or identities have been directly impacted**: increased demand, reduced participation

Pervasive Challenges: organizational risk mitigation, uncertainty, prevention

- ❖ Actual, off/on or looming **funding cuts** from federal grants or private funders in retreat
- ❖ Nonprofit **infrastructure**: data systems, DEI policies/commitments, charitable status, physical space
- ❖ Capacity and burnout, **mental health and wellbeing** of participants, leaders and staff

Actions We're Taking

- ❖ Convening youth-serving nonprofit leaders
- ❖ Curating resources
- ❖ Collecting needs and sharing them with funders
- ❖ Providing a training fund
- ❖ Delivering technical assistance: events, consultations, individual support

How to Get Involved

- ❖ Answer our **needs survey**
- ❖ Use the curated resources at:
<https://bit.ly/protect-advance-yd>
- ❖ Request support from the **training fund**
- ❖ Join us for Power Hour **monthly briefings**
- ❖ Participate in our **events and technical assistance**

