

Introducing the **Community Health Apprenticeship Program**

Launching September 18th, 2017, the Community Health Apprenticeship Program is a hands-on training and certification program for young people from communities most affected by HIV to start their career as a community health worker in the HIV field, providing education, testing, prevention and care.

Our 8-week training will explore:

- HIV and STI 101 and HIV testing techniques
- Counseling strategies around HIV testing and referrals
- Social determinants of health, or how one's communities and identities effect their access to healthcare
- Working with the diverse communities effected by HIV
- Advocacy for clients, services and policy
- How to outreach in communities and to individuals

Those who participate in the program will be offered:

- Monthly Ventra passes and a weekly stipend of \$100
- An HIV Counseling, Testing and Referral Certification from the Chicago Department of Public Health
- One-on-one support in weekly meetings with the program supervisors
- Case management to help find a job in the fields of HIV and community health
- Support after placement in work for six months from the date of hire

Participants will be expected to:

- Commit around 16 hours a week, Monday to Thursday from 1-5pm, and some weekend and evening hours
- Hold a testing event in their community with support and resources from the program

Eligibility:

- Aged 18-29
- Latinx and/or Black
- Gay, bisexual or a man who has sex with men *and/or* trans
- Interested in starting a career in HIV and community health

If you're interested in joining the program, have questions, or would like to refer someone to the program, contact:

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