



SHILOH

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Youth Edition Summer 2017



Warm greetings and salutations to the friends of Shiloh Community Development Corporation (CDC),

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the countless children and families who we serve, I want to sincerely thank you for your tangible and intangible support to improve the quality of life for residents in the Greater Trenton area. Thanks for helping us provide pathways to success for their future.

As we enter the first quarter of our fiscal year (July 1st through June 30th of next year), I am elated about the abundance of effective ways that we are engaging and supporting families - educationally, physically, recreationally, intellectually, emotionally, and -most importantly- spiritually.



Rev. Darrell L. Armstrong

Please know that the board, our administration and our program staff pledge to keep up the hard work on behalf of all of our public and private partners.

Shalom,

Shiloh CDC Freedom School

"Freedom school has helped me in life. As a college student, I now have a positive attitude towards learning, and feel better about myself. I have an everlasting passion to help others." - Destiny Jones, Howard University

More than 90% of the scholars who started with the Shiloh CDC Freedom School seven years ago are graduating from high school and enrolling in four-year institutions such as the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, Spelman College, and The College of New Jersey.

On June 27, 2017, Shiloh CDC Freedom School Program welcomed 90 young scholars ages 5 through 14 on The College of New Jersey Campus.



Shiloh CDC Freedom School

We thank all of our sponsors for supporting the Shiloh CDC Freedom School Program: Bristol-Meyers Squibb; ETS; Joseph Jingoli & Son Inc.; Pascale Sykes Foundation; Princeton Area Community Foundation; Ross, Feller, & Casey, LLP; Shiloh Baptist Church; William Watson; and individual donors.



[Click Here to see more images and learn more about our Freedom School Program.](#)

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Trenton Junior Chef Program

"It is my desire to return to Shiloh CDC Junior Culinary Chef Program this time as an Intern; to assist aspiring Junior Chefs. This way I can increase my culinary and leadership skills. My goal for the future is to become an early childhood educator and establish my own early childhood education & culinary center." Junior Chef Bryannah, age 16

The Trenton Junior Chef Program promotes unity, health/wellness, and academic excellence. Our junior chefs are ServSafe Certified in food sanitation and trained to prepare international cuisines. The Trenton Junior Chef Programs serves all communities in Mercer and neighboring counties.

In the summer, the Trenton Junior Chef program trains youth on running a catering business while educating residents on healthy eating. We also provide tutoring and mentoring to our young chefs.

We thank our clients in the months of May and June: Trenton YMCA, Princeton Farminary, Congresswoman Bonnie Watson-Coleman, Facilitating Active Recovery Mission (F.A.R.M.) Team, and the Latin American Legal Defense Fund for being using our catering services. All proceeds support the operation of the Trenton Jr Chef Program.

Thank you to the Princeton Area Community Foundation, PNC Bank Foundation, and Community Foundation of New Jersey for sponsoring the Trenton Junior Chef Program.

[Click here to learn more about the Trenton Jr Chef Program.](#)



Above: Jr. Chef baking desserts for a catering event

To book us today, please contact Sandra Osorio at sosorio@shilohcdc.org or 609-727-1939.



Capital Youth Mentoring Program

The Capital Youth Mentoring Program (CYMP) matches youth with individual adult mentors ages 18 and up. Our partners include Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton Police Department, and local associations.

The youth that we serve are those who are aging out of foster care and need long-term relationships with adults in the communities where they live. They do not have a strong social support. Additionally, they may not have clear career aspirations. This population will soon be on their own and do not possess the skills necessary to live on their own. This target group needs mentoring for the following reasons: Independent Living Skills , Self-worth, and Support network.

"In order to be a mentor, an effective one, you must care. You must not care only about you and your time, but the mentee and their time. You don't have to know how smart they are or not, or what brand of sneakers they're wearing, just know what brings the best out of them. Knowing that a person cares about what you think and what you care about makes the difference in mentoring." - Jeneya Richardson, Mentor Coordinator, CYMP



[Click here to learn more about CYMP.](#)



New Jersey Orators

About New Jersey Orators. Proud that our youth are able to compete in a statewide public-speaking competition. Our youth compete with at least 16 NJ Orators Chapters throughout the State of Jersey.

Fifteen orators, from Trenton City and the surrounding areas, come together weekly for one hour of coaching. Right before the summer break, these young people compete using their poem, famous speech, original oratory, and other literary works.

[Click here to learn more about NJ Orators and how you can get involved.](#)



Mahira Morris, Excellence Award

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Scholarship for Local High School Students

Established in 2003, the Rev. Dr. S. Howard Woodson Jr. Scholarship Fund is a one-year \$1,000 scholarship for college freshman.

Scholarships are awarded to students from the metropolitan Trenton area.

Proceed from the annual Rev. Dr. S. Howard Woodson Jr Golf Fund raiser funds the scholarship awards. [Register online.](#)



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