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PACTing P.O.W.E.R.



Putting Youth Issues "On the Wall"

...to Put them "On the Table", May 16th!

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PACTing P.O.W.E.R....

Participants of PACTing P.O.W.E.R. with the coaches and presenters Jahmal Cole and Aisha Latiker, display the PACTing P.O.W.E.R. logo to demonstrate a collective "power" at the launch orientation at Marquette Bank, 6316 S. Western. PACTing P.O.W.E.R. (People Organizing, Winning Everything Right) Prepares Youth "Voices" to Organize for Racial and Social Justice. The Chicago Community Trust invests in emerging leaders to put it "On the Table"! Over 30 youth and young adults between the ages of 16-24 convened at Marquette Bank to become a six week community organizing, advocacy and racial justice training project called PACTing P.O.W.E.R. (People Organizing, Winning Everything Right). A launch orientation was held on Saturday, March 11th to inspire the participants to hear and learn from examples of civic engagement from "peer" voices that included Jahmal Cole, My Hood/My City; Aisha Latiker, Kids Off the Block; and Enoch Muhammad, HIP-HOP DETOXX. The training is facilitated by James F. Capraro, a nationally respected leadership development trainer and an organizer over 40 years ago for the late Gale Cincotta, referred to as the "Mother of the CRA." Devonta Boston is the peer facilitator and is being mentored by Capraro. Otis C. Monroe, III, CEO of the Monroe Foundation, stated, "Our goal is to engage each of these emerging youth voices to become equipped with the skills to begin to mobilize in their communities on the issues that they see as important to their lives and future, and begin to lead the change they want to see." Participants who complete the program will receive a "Certificate of Community Organizing for Racial Justice Leadership," a \$250 stipend and bank account from Marquette Bank. The Project is supported by a contribution from the Chicago Community Trust and inkind training facilities provided by Marquette Bank. Also Among the participants pictured are: Geri Jones, Arlissa Cosey, Marsha Cosey, Omphile M. Franklin, Mary Kayler, Lemont Clinkscales, Cyndi Stewart, Marqus Crockett, Dawn Hubbard, Aisha Latiker, Malika Nash, Myanna Nash, Eya Louis, Casper Thurman, Ferra Perkins, Jahmal Cole, Jalen Perkins, Kyla Hubbard, Dontrell Kemp, Corla Taylor, Sheila Hubbard, Deandre Williams, Hayden King, Victor H. Cabrera, Carol Salazar, Troy Dobbins, Mariah Nash and Manny Jimenez of Marquette Bank.

Preparing Youth Voices to "Act Up" for Racial Equality & Social Justice!

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