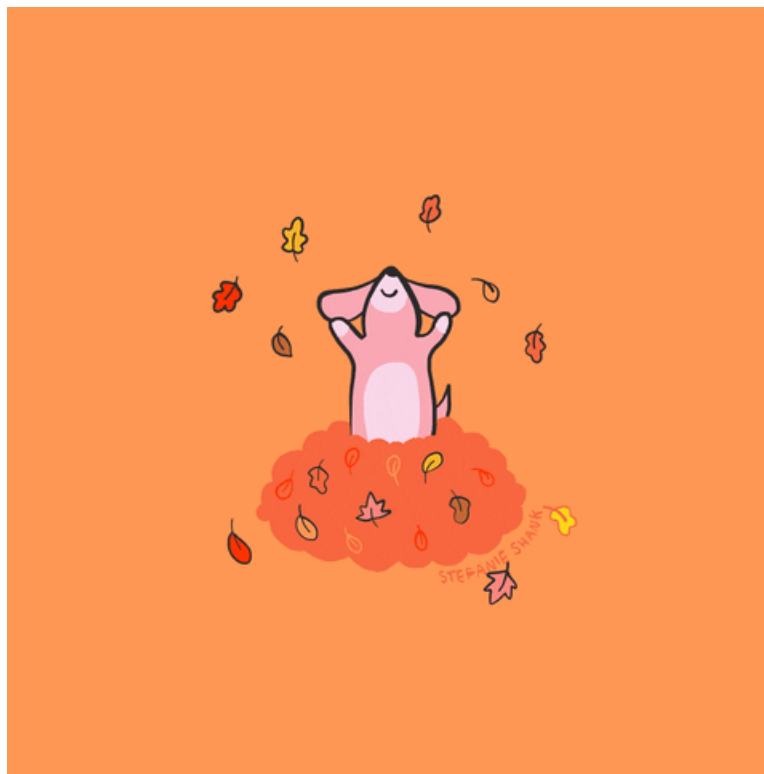


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Updates from CSN



Happy October – Fall is in the air and it’s nearly time for Halloween and Diwali celebrations!

Upcoming events in recognition of National First-Generation College Celebration Day:

FGLI Day Celebration at Round1

CSN is hosting a Bowling Party on Sunday, November 10th at Round1.

CSN students and volunteers are invited to have some fun and enjoy pizza, ice cream, and cake. Admission is free and we'll be giving away some arcade passes too. This is a great opportunity for mentees, mentors, and other professionals to meet in person, so come on out and join us in celebrating FGLI college students.

Round1 Bowling and Arcade

1001 Market Street, APT 3010
Philadelphia, 19107

Sunday, November 10th,
3 pm - 5 pm

Register at:

<https://bit.ly/CSNfgliday2024>



Cocktails for a Cause at the Pyramid Club

The Pyramid Club selected CSN for their November 20, 2024 "Cocktails for a Cause" event in honor of the National First-Generation College celebration. The event will bring together FGLI students (receiving a free mocktail) and professionals for a networking and fundraising event with light bites and a great view of the city. There will be a cash bar and silent auction where you might find some great holiday gifts while supporting CSN! Attendance is free with registration!

Cocktails for a Cause at the Pyramid Club

Light bites, free mocktails for CSN students, cash bar to benefit CSN



Silent Auction

Wednesday, November 20th,
6 pm - 8 pm

Register at:

bit.ly/CSNcocktails2024

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BBQ Mixer Recap



Former CSN Advisory Board Member Bryant Greene generously rolled out the red carpet for CSN students and professionals, hosting an unforgettable BBQ that tantalized our taste buds and a tour of his stunning home and farm that left us in awe! All attendees basked in excitement as we indulged in Bryant's mouthwatering feast, surrounded by the warmth of friendship and laughter.

We explored his charming property and were inspired by Bryant's incredible commitment to rescue animals—from playful dogs to majestic alpacas and horses. His passion for providing these creatures with a loving home was truly

heartwarming. To top it all off, Bryant shared invaluable tips for achieving success in both career and life, leaving us inspired and motivated.

Thank you, Bryant, for not just opening your beautiful home, but also your heart to the CSN community! We look forward to the Fall 2025 BBQ!



Bryant Greene

Former CSN Advisory Board member

Founder, Owner & Administrator,
Always Best Care Senior Services
of Philadelphia, Bucks, and
Delaware Counties

CSN Business Roundtables

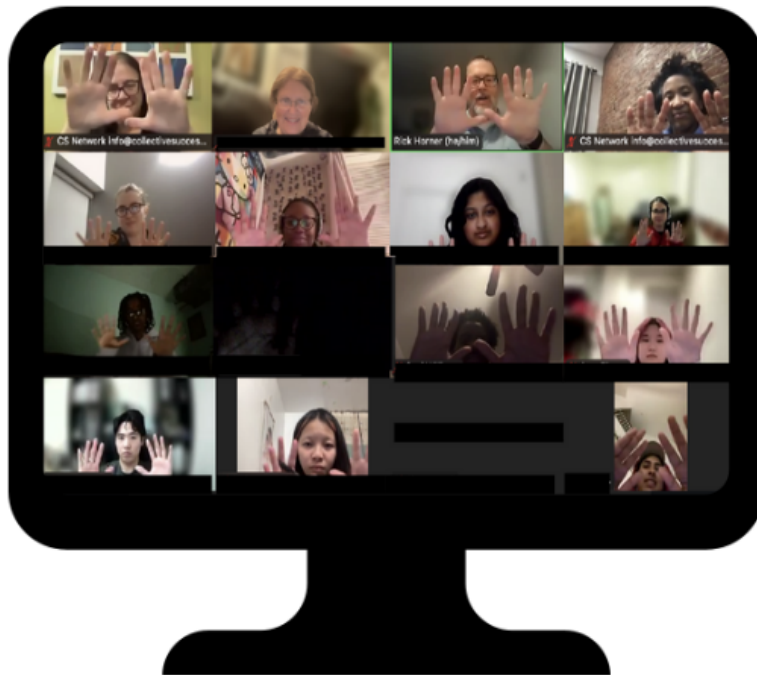
This year, CSN met with Philadelphia area business leaders in three sessions to discuss FGLI students and professionals as a valuable and untapped talent pool. Sincere thanks to meeting hosts Sudhir Kondisetty (RSM), Russell Starke (Think Company) and Robert Juliano (WSFS bank), and discussion facilitators Ro King, Tanya O'Neill, and Kareem Mathias!

Based on survey input from first-generation professionals, CSN is now ready to deliver professional development workshops to promote a more successful career path for FGLI college graduates.

Stay tuned and contact info@collectivesuccess.org for more information!



Student Leadership Program Recap



Thanks to a grant from the Philadelphia Foundation, a new cohort for our popular CSN Leadership program has kicked off with 25 students from 8 schools. Advisory Board member Rick Horner led the group through an improv session last week, guiding the group to appreciate how to lead and how to follow and experience the power of “Yes, and”. Rick finished the session with an impressive improvised rap based on the comments in the chat.

Rick Horner

CSN Advisory Board member

Improvvisor, director,

actor, teacher, and coach



Thank you, Rick!

Mentorship Program Recap



The Mentorship Orientation Webinar offered participants a thorough introduction to our mentorship program, detailing its structure and goals. Attendees also learned about valuable resources for building resumes and exploring internship opportunities.

A highlight of the session was our keynote speaker, Kenneth Wong, who shared his inspiring journey as a first-generation and low-income college student and professional. Kenneth delivered a heartfelt speech on the

importance of having the courage to fail, viewing failures as valuable learning opportunities. He encouraged attendees to embrace uncertainty and to be proactive in seeking answers to their questions.

A collective thank you to Kenneth for his ongoing commitment to our CSN community! Thank you to everyone who participated and look forward to a rewarding mentorship journey together!



Kenneth Wong

Former CSN Board Member

Entrepreneur

Ken has served and chaired boards nationally and locally for non-profits, colleges, and a national governing body of an Olympic sport.

CNS's New Partnership with Association for Talent Development

CSN is excited to begin a new partnership with the Greater Philadelphia chapter of the Association for Talent Development (ATD). We look forward to partnering with these talented professionals from ATD as future student mentors and program facilitators.



Resumes, Internships, and Jobs – Oh my!



September was International Update Your Resume month. October is a good time to start looking for and applying to summer internship opportunities and full-time jobs. Employers are beginning to recruit for summer opportunities and early applicants have an advantage.

CSN can help!

CSN Talent 2025

Some businesses, life sciences companies, and nonprofits have partnered with CSN to match FGLI talent with good-paying, local positions and summer internships. Roles in a variety of fields will be available for rising sophomores through seniors and even graduates. This program is free and in your control. You decide whether to apply for a role once it has been presented by CSN. The program's intent is to help deserving FGLI talent avoid under-employment and obtain high-quality experiences to advance their careers. There's no catch and there's nothing to lose! Submit your current resume, describe your interests and we'll connect you with appropriate opportunities as they arise.

Register here:

<https://bit.ly/CSNTalent2025>



And if you want to make sure your resume is a strong one, CSN has examples and tips for you here: [ResumeExamples&Tips](#)



And, to really get it polished, we strongly recommend a free career consultation and resume review from a professional with our nonprofit partner CareerSpring. The service is free and is specifically geared towards FGLI talent. Register here to be part of the CSN cohort and access the CareerSpring resources: <https://bit.ly/CSNcareerspring>

Looking for a Summer Internship or Full-Time Job? Here are some leads:

If you find something interesting, make sure to submit your resume to CSNTalent2025 so that we can connect you directly with the talent recruiting team.



Main Line Health®

Mainline Health has externships and residency programs for nursing students and graduates, and they are looking for FGLI students!

Find specific roles here: mainlinehealth.org/careers



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Check out specific opportunities here: <https://careers.aramark.com/career-area/early-careers/>

(see enclosed brochure for internship info)



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In our recent collaboration with Publicis Media, CSN hosted an informative webinar. The session provided valuable insights into Publicis Media, the company's mission and culture, as well as regional opportunities in Philadelphia and New York, and within its global parent organization. Attendees had the opportunity to engage with the Publicis speaker during the Q&A session, exploring internship and career opportunities.

You can check out the webinar here: [PublicisMediaWebinar](#)

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