





# EQUITY INTERNS REDUCE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GAP

The equity interns are three weeks into their 8-week placements. They are working to close the achievement gap for the Y's Power Scholars at three San Francisco sites: John Muir Elementary School, Bayview KIPP Academy, and Monroe Elementary School. A cohort of seven students from the University of Delaware's Biden Institute, together with seven McCarthy Center students, are working alongside community leaders, youth development professionals, and educators to provide engaging and impactful summer enrichment programming while exploring the city's Mission, Fillmore, and Bayview neighborhoods. Learn about the collaboration behind Equity Interns: https://tinyurl.com/chuckcollinsEl

#### Note From the Senior Director

This summer we are taking things to the next level. Our Equity Interns are exploring the city while providing support to under-resourced youth with the goal of reducing summer learning loss. Our McCarthy Fellows who are well into their 12-week internships in state capital offices and agencies, are crushing it in Sacramento. With the support of RISE Center for Racial Justice at USF, we have just celebrated the completion of the Community Research Collaborative's second year.

I'd like to send a HUGE shout-out to McCarthy Center Board members who have ended their terms: Holly Hogan, Nancy Barrett, Sheryl Davis, Eric Jaye, Stephen Pearce, and Jaime Rossi. We are so thankful for your commitment and time supporting the Center.

With deep gratitude,

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Derick E. Brown Senior Director, Leo T. McCarthy Center



## 2023 McCARTHY FELLOWS ARRIVE IN SACRAMENTO

Good luck to our newest cohort of McCarthy Fellows in Sacramento. This summer, nine students from diverse majors and experiences will be immersed in the policymaking processes in our California state capital. These Fellows will get a front row seat to observe and learn how public policy happens at the state level and build the skill sets necessary to be changemakers in their communities.

Read about the newest fellows and their internship placements in our McCarthy Center blog:

https://tinyurl.com/sacfellows23







#### **Congratulations 2023 Student Leadership Awardees**

Congratulations to Metyia Phillips '23 (center), Ethan Lee-Bellows '23 (left) and Joshua Dineros '23 (right) for their 2023 student leadership awards. Metyia received the Leo T. McCarthy Award for Public Service with Ethan receiving honorable mention. The award is presented

to individuals whose work makes a difference in the lives of people most affected by injustice. Joshua accepted the Office of the President's Pedro Arrupe Award honoring a student committed to promoting justice by working to transform social structures.

### LISTEN TO THE LATEST USEVOTES PODCAST

Check out the latest episode of USFVotes podcast, "Making It Political." Two USFVotes members discuss their experience with student voter engagement and pressing issues in the lead-up to the 2024 election. Hear how to encourage students in voting and participating in the political process. Listen on Spotify.



## CONGRATS TO OUR NEW COMMUNITY RESEARCHERS

Congrats to the latest cohort of graduates of the Community Research Collaborative! Participants in the USF-RISE and Community College of San Francisco's Jumuiya Research Institute partnership have just completed their program, learning and doing extensive research for a liberated Black San Francisco. This month, members from each site will culminate the program with a presentation of projects focusing on collective Black wellbeing, personhood, familyhood, and neighborhood followed by a graduation befitting their accomplishments.



## THE FILLMORE WALK RETURNS TO THE WESTERN ADDITION

The Engage San Francisco team has just relaunched The Fillmore Walk, a 90-minute community walk-about throughout the nearby Western Addition neighborhood. These walks enable participants to learn first-hand of our community partners' work and the ways that USF and The Fillmore are historically and currently connected. Find out how we continue to foster collaboration with The Fillmore while working toward new ways of being in the world. To learn more or join a walk, email Karin Cotterman <a href="mailto:kmcotterman@usfca.edu">kmcotterman@usfca.edu</a>>



#### COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACTIVISTS BLAST OFF AT END-OF-YEAR BLOCK PARTY

Last month, the Community Empowerment Activists (CEA) Block Party moved to a new location in the South-of-Market neighborhood at Kapwa Gardens. The celebration, themed "Reimagining a Just World: Our Pathway to Transformative Justice and Calls to Actions" was filled with guest speakers, community partners, music, poetry, and food and a pop-up gallery of CEA art and "resistance" pieces — the result of students' year-end projects. Thanks to all who joined with our students, alums, community partners, allies, commUNITY, and loved ones. See photos at: https://tinyurl.com/ceaparty23

#### **McCarthy Center Events**

July 6 Equity Interns Mission District Tour Precita Eyes Muralist Studios 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

July 7 Equity Interns visit Sen. Scott Weiner San Francisco, CA | 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. July 13 Equity Interns Final Presentation Lone Mountain 100 | 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

July 14 Power Scholars Graduation Palace of Fine Arts | 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Stay informed on the McCarthy Center's students, alums, staff and partners in 2023







