



## **CUNY Network for College Success**

#### Mission

The CUNY Network for College Success (N4CS) is a multi-sector partnership between community-based organizations (CBOs), The City University of New York (CUNY) campuses and other stakeholders working to streamline support for students to significantly increase college persistence and graduation rates in New York City.

### The Challenge

Over the past decade, dozens of community-based organizations have shifted their focus from helping low-income students gain *access* to higher education to supporting them "to and through" college with a growing emphasis on college *success*.

While these CBOs share the same objective—helping their students persist in and graduate from college—they often operate in isolation. The result is that their limited financial and human resources are used inefficiently, services are duplicated, information is unevenly disseminated, and students suffer from a lack of coordinated support. To compound that very few have been able to create productive partnerships with CUNY colleges.

### The Opportunity

Since fall 2018, the Network for College Success has brought together over 350 professionals from 65 organizations and 15 CUNY campuses across New York City.



The Network formalizes the work through several key strategies, including:

- Sharing timely, student-level data with CBOs and providing professional development around using data
- Convening a professional learning community that provides CBO staff with quarterly in-person meetings on CUNY programs and policies, new initiatives, the latest research, trainings, resources and, tools and that impact organizational practice
- Promoting campus-based knowledge sharing to connect CBO and CUNY staff to strengthen communication among those that provide academic, financial, or other support to students
- Disseminating newsletters that share important campus-based and CUNY-wide information as well as curated information about internships, scholarships and other special opportunities
- Providing case-by-case support to combat challenges and bottlenecks

## **Partner Organizations**

Achievement First Public Charter

School Network\*

Achievement Initiative, Columbia

University School of Social Work

**Adams Street Foundation** 

Big Brothers Big Sisters NYC

Blue Engine

Bottom Line\*

Breakthrough NY

**BronxWorks** 

**CAMBA** 

Catholic Guardian Services

City Year New York

Student Leadership Network\*

CollegeSpring

**CUNY Preparatory School\*** 

Cypress Hills Local Development\*

East Harlem Tutorial Program\*

East Side House Settlement

Exodus Transitional Community, Inc.

Goddard Riverside Options Center\*

Good Shepherd Services: Bronx\*

Good Shepherd Services: Brooklyn\*

Harlem Children's Zone- Promise

Academy

Harlem Educational Activities Fund

(HEAF)

Hunts Point Alliance for Children

iMentor\*

Internationals Network for Public

Schools\*

Jeremiah Program\*

KIPP through College & Career\*

Let's Get Ready

**New Settlement's College Access** 

Center

New Visions for Public Schools

NYC Outward Bound Schools\*

OneGoal\*

Opening Act

Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow\*

Phipps Neighborhoods

Queens Community House\*

Red Hook Initiative\*

\*Participated in 2018-2019 pilot data share

Reel Works

Row New York\*

Sadie Nash Leadership Project

Scholarship Plus

**SCO Family of Services** 

SEO - Sponsors for Educational

Opportunity\*

Single Stop

South Asian Youth Action (SAYA)

Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood

Center

StreetSquash Harlem\*

The Door - A Center of Alternatives/

**University Settlement** 

The Fresh Air Fund\*

The Urban Assembly

uAspire

**Uncommon Schools\*** 

United Activities Unlimited, Inc.

Urban Dove Team Charter School

YMCA of Greater New York

Zone 126

# **Campus Partners**

Baruch College

Borough of Manhattan Community College

**Brooklyn College** 

City College of New York

**Guttman Community College** 

**Hostos Community College** 

**Hunter College** 

John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Kingsborough Community College

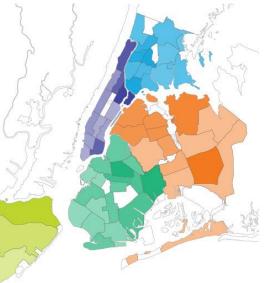
LaGuardia Community College

Lehman College

Medgar Evers College

Queensborough Community College

Queens College



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