Create Organizational Change by Focusing on Diversity in Volunteer Programs



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Fleet Science Center





128 Employees & 468 Volunteers















- Sensory tools
- Cool down space
- Park/ community network
- Training Resources
- Evaluation



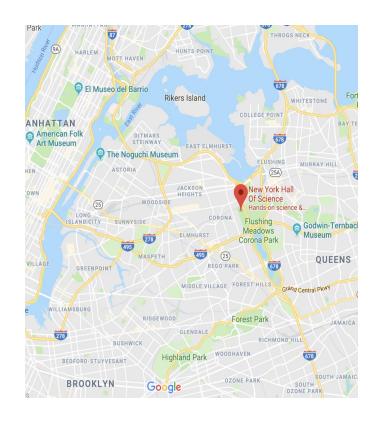


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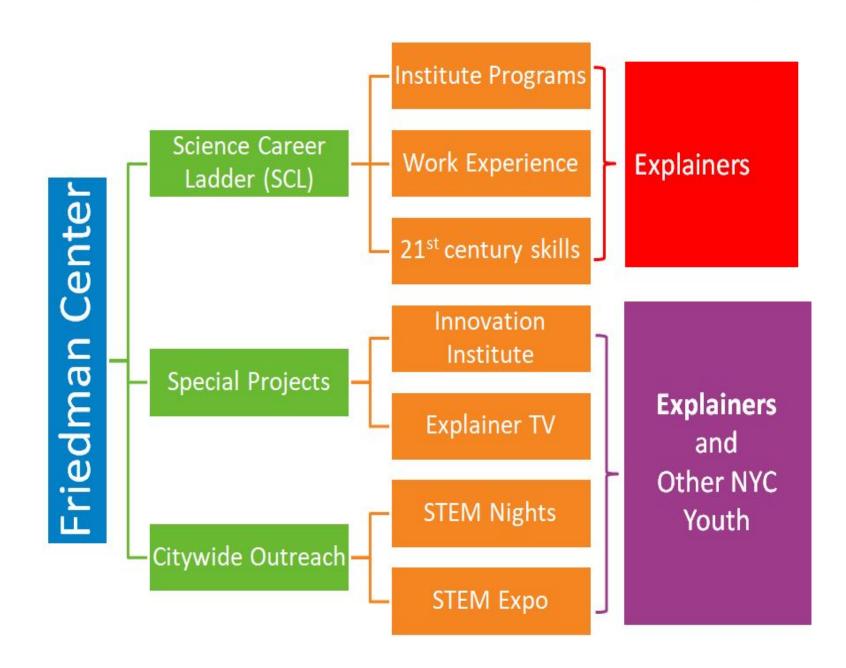
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DESIGN



Science Career Ladder







Signature program

- Career development
- College access
- Museum facilitators

Partnership with schools

- **Immigrant** youth
- Students with learning challenges

Pipeline to employment

- 21 alumni are full time staff
- Alumni employed in other cultural institutions

MAKE PLAY

Citywide Outreach

Science Ambassador



Community engagement

- **Environment of** shared cultural identity
- Multigenerational approach

STEM Nights/Expo



STEM career pathways

- Representation of diverse communities
- Opportunity to network with professionals

Trips & Site Visits



Access & opportunity

- Visit companies and programs in NYC
- Organization lead workshops on site

Organizational Impact & Development





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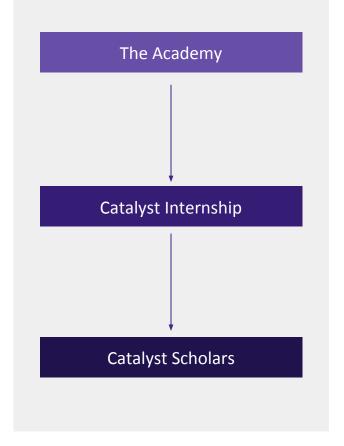
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Catalyst Volunteer Track Event & Exhibit Hall Volunteer Visitor Experience Volunteer **NatureWorks** The Hive

Catalyst Development Track







21st Century Skills

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Creativity

24 Workshops @ 6 Gay-Straight Alliances

Reaching 249 students

13 Workshops @ Orlando Science Center

Approx. 20 students per workshop









Catalyst Internships







Cohort Building and Classroom Learning

Hands-On Facilitation and Teaching

Job Shadowing and Career-Readiness

A catalyst for organizational change...

- Series of staff workshops on identity
 - Facilitated by Zebra Coalition
- Engaging teenagers in meaningful ways
- A safe space to express your identity
 - Volunteer & Human Resources procedures
- Adopting Group Norms
 - More ways to use intentional conversations







Volunteer Programs

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By The Numbers

 MCM serves about 220,000 visitors/year

250 Volunteers/ Year

70 at any given time



Strategic Retooling

Foundational Documents

-Mission Vision Values and Inclusion

Recalibrating Program to be in Education

-primary focus=diversifying pipelines to employment



Volunteer Programs - Driving Diversity

Partnerships

- AVID/TOPS with Boys and Girls Club
- Escalera with Centro Hispano
- High School Special Ed Department
- •YWCA W2 requirements
- Deferred Prosecution
- EmployABILITY



Visit, Volunteer, Connect!







The Center of Science & Industry located in downtown Columbus, Ohio

COSI is about inspiring interest in science and learning more about our world.





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BY THE NUMBERS FY17: JULY 1, 2016-JUNE 30, 2017



Community Partners and Volunteer Opportunities

Each year, we work with our Community Partners to bring individuals with developmental and physical disabilities to COSI to volunteer.









How COSI has made a welcome environment for volunteers with disabilities.

- ★ Developed a interview process that is user friendly by scheduling extra time
- ★ Taking time to answer questions
- ★ Prioritize next steps for volunteers
- ★ Help coordinate formal/informal support systems
- ★ Develop a personalized volunteer experience



There is no universal design, as each Museum is different. How we can be the same is by...

★ Building flexibility to your volunteer program

★ Letting the team know that it is ok to not have all the answers, and it is ok to seek help

★ Work with the liaison that initiated the opportunity to help shape your program



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