



2016 IMPACT REPORT

QUICK PROGRAM FACTS:

Youth Leadership Montgomery is offered in partnership with Maryland Leadership workshops (MLW). The program begins with a week-long residential summer session run by MLW at Washington College in Chestertown, MD. Students from around the state of Maryland participate in daily workshops and have the opportunity to spend time on a college campus. In the fall, Leadership Montgomery hosts seven three-hour long sessions, during which the young leaders learn about issues in the community, the role of nonprofit organizations, and leadership skills through the example of passionate leaders, as well as site visits and special activities. This year, Leadership Montgomery was proud to partner with Urban Alliance in the development and facilitation of the leadership curriculum.

PROGRAM AGENDA, OBJECTIVES AND RELATED SPEAKERS:

Session 1: Confidence Ropes Course at the Smith Environmental Education Center and Leadership Discussion – Eric Guerci, Student Member, Montgomery County Board of Education

Session 2: Building Meaningful Relationships, Making a Strong First Impression and Montgomery County 101– Jed Millard, Jed Millard (EL 2015), Management & Budget Specialist, Montgomery County Office of Management and Budget

Session 3: Self-Awareness, Overcoming Bias and Lessons in Leadership- Craig Rice (Core 2015), Councilmember, District 2, Montgomery County Council

Session 4: Goal Setting, Creating a Vision for Success

Session 5: Critical and Creative Thinking

Session 6: Public Speaking and a Site Visit to A Wider Circle, which included a facility tour, volunteer service and a talk with Mark Bergel, Founder & Executive Director, A Wider Circle

Session 7: Group Dynamics and Conflict Resolution

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- 20 students graduated November 17, 2016
- 89% percent of students reported an increased comfort with leading a team of peers
- 85% percent of students stated they feel more confident in their leadership abilities
- 100% of participants stated the activities were engaging and they learned something new each week
- 95% of participants stated they would recommend the program to a friend