2013-2014 Annual Report



Our mission is to empower underresourced youth to aspire, work, and succeed through paid internships, formal training, and mentoring.



our core values

STUDENTS FIRST Employing Youth, Inspiring Excellence

TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER

Lending a helping hand and supporting each other's work

FOLLOW THROUGH

Creating a strong and responsive relationship with everyone we come in contact with and work with

OPEN/DIRECT COMMUNICATION

Communicating in a clear, precise, and honest manner in all of the work we do

DEDICATED TO MISSION AND RESULTS FROM MISSION

Making decisions based on the mission and vision of the organization

On the cover: Joselyn, an Intern at the Alexandria City Attorney's office, delivers a speech during the 2014 Public Speaking Challenge

Dear Friends,

Eighteen years ago, three friends imagined that they could do more to help create opportunities for young people growing up in our most challenging communities in Washington, DC. After visiting Anacostia High School in Southeast Washington and hearing from students that what they needed most was good jobs, Andrew Plepler brought his friends Jeffrey Zients and Thomas Nides together to turn that vision into reality and Urban Alliance was born. What began as a small operation inside of one local high school grew into so much more because of the addition of Veronica Nolan to the team in 2002.

For 12 years, Veronica worked to grow and expand our operations and today, we are a national organization that serves over 1,500 youth annually in over 45 high schools across four regions. Her leadership, tireless advocacy and constant championing of youth workforce development solidified Urban Alliance's success and its thoughtful expansion. This summer, we said goodbye to Veronica as she made the difficult, but exciting choice to move on to a new chapter of her life. We will all profoundly miss her boundless energy and deeply generous spirit.

The Board of Directors elevated Eshauna Smith, formerly our President, to the role of CEO in July. The smooth transition we have seen through this change in the last few months is a testament to how both Veronica and Eshauna fully embody the core values that guide our work. Their work together over the past year is reflected in the exciting information you will read about in this report. Eshauna has already begun to expand our presence on the national stage and we look forward to the many exciting years ahead under her leadership. We are confident that she will continue to build on the vision that has brought us to this point and that will continue to shape our future endeavors.

Thank you for taking the time to read our report and thank you for your continued support as we work to improve the lives of young people in all of our regions. We could not achieve our ambitious goals without your help.

Sincerely,

Mary Menell Zients Urban Alliance Board Chair



Veronica Nolan (L), Eshauna Smith (R)

IMAGINE

Our Current Programs

High School Internship Program

- Year-long, paid professional internships for high school seniors from under-resourced communities
- 🖉 Case management and professional Mentor
- Weekly workshops on job/life skills and financial literacy
- Post-high school, college and career planning
- Culminating event; Public Speaking Challenge

Alumni Services

Available to all youth who successfully complete the High School Internship Program.

Education and Career Counseling:

- Résumé and cover letter review
- Assistance with financial aid and college transfer processes

College Internship Program:

- Paid summer internships
- ${\ensuremath{\mathscr{O}}}$ Closely aligned with career goals

GradUAte Events:

- Networking and professional development events
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Curriculum Outreach

Opportunities to share the Urban Alliance professional development workshops with youth in the broader community

Workshops:

- Facilitate sessions that reinforce job and life skills
- Ø Flexible and adaptive to the needs of contracted partners
- Vouth focused curriculum incorporating real life scenarios

Program Management:

- Coordinate and run corporations' internal internship programs
- Provide support and best practices on Intern engagement
- Ensure high-quality work experience and outcomes for corporations and Interns

Young Adult Internship Program

- Currently exists only in the Baltimore region (in addition to High School Internship Program) in partnership with the Department of Social Services
- Provides paid, professional internships to 18–21 year-old foster youth (32 hours per week for 20 weeks).
- Interns receive case management support from an Urban Alliance Program Coordinator
- Interns attend weekly workshops on skill building, life skills, and financial literacy training and support transitioning to post-program education and unsubsidized employment opportunities.

I **imagined** [Urban Alliance] would take a lot of my time, but it was actually a great experience. I can't think of another way a student can learn and work hands-on alongside people in some of the most influential and prestigious companies around Chicago.



Antonio Martinez, Chicago '13, Student at Columbia College Chicago



Who We Served

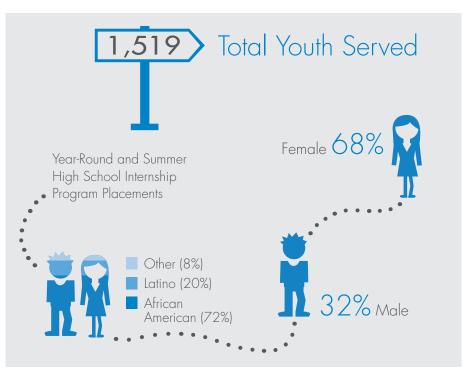
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Baltimore	Chicago	Washington, D.C.

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* Includes summer programs, DOES, Police Foundation, and YAIP.



Urban Alliance Public peaking Challenge 2013



The High School Internship Program culminates in the Public Speaking Challenge. In each region, Interns prepare a 5-7 minute presentation outlining their internship experience and highlighting their jobsite's mission, a profile of their Mentor, lessons learned, challenges experienced, and post-secondary plans. In an effort to incentivize hard work and communicate to the youth that success in the professional world is merit-based, Urban Alliance awards a \$100 bonus to Interns earning a score of 80% or higher on their presentations. Each regional event is attended by stakeholders, advisory board members, Mentors, Interns, and staff and celebrates the accomplishments of the Intern cohort for the program year.



Job Partners and Supporters Invested in:



High School Internship Program Job Partners

Aon

Arcadis

AT&T

Illinois

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CBOE

Baltimore

ARC Baltimore Baltimore City Public Schools Baltimore Gas and Electric Company Bank of America Community Law In Action Congressman Cummings' Office Cordish Company Downtown Partnership Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake Higher Achievement Johns Hopkins Hospital Bayview Medical Center John's Hopkins University -School of Public Health and School of Nursing Legg Mason Marriott Morgan Stanley New Leaders **Reading Partners** Sinai Hospital The Mayor's Office -Baltimore City Urban Alliance Verizon Wide Angle Youth Media Y of Central Maryland Chicago A Silver Lining Foundation

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Northern Virginia

ACT for Alexandria Alexandria City Attorney's Office Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services Alexandria Housing Development Corporation Alexandria Renew Alexandria Seaport Foundation APS ARTI Joint Venture Arlington County Board Arlington County Office of Emergency Management Arlington Free Clinic Arlington Housing Corporation Arlington Street Peoples Assistance Network

Program Successes

100% of Interns completing the High School Internship Program graduated from high school

Bloomberg BNA Corporation for National Consumer Electronics and Community Service Association Evolent Health Greenbrier Learning Center lack Taylor Toyota King Street Wireless National Capitol Contracting Bank of America Northern Virginia Legal Services Reingold Inc Smithsonian Institution, Office of Sponsored Projects The Motley Fool Washington Speakers Bureau WJLA/Newschannel 8 Washington, D.C. 21st Century Fox AdvaMed

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Artemis Real Estate

Atlantic Media Company

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Capital Source

Charter School

Children's National

Medical Center

LLC College Tribe

Corporation

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Office of the Deputy

84% of lob Partners returned for the 2013/14 program year

79% of Urban Alliance Alumni



enrolled in college within one year of completing the program

of Urban Alliance Alumni who enrolled in college persisted to their 2nd year

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Job Partners (Continued)

Young Adult Internship Program Job Partners-Baltimore

A+ Neighborhood Homebuyers ARC Baltimore Belair Edison Neighborhoods, Inc Bon Secours Community Works C. Brown Properties LLC CUPs Coffeehouse Episcopal Community Services of Maryland

Morgan State University EDAC New Beginnings Operation Reach Out Southwest (OROSW)

People's Community Health Center Reading Partners Subway The Maryland SPCA Y of Central Maryland

Alumni Internship Program Job Partners-Chicago

Digitas

Depository

Grosvenor

Groupon

CNCS

DPW

Emmaus

Chicago Bulls Chicago Cares Clear Channel Media and Entertainment Chicago CNA ComEd

ContextMedia,Inc Innovation Foundation, Inc Lincoln Park Zoo Greater Chicago Food Loop Capital Mesirow Financial Nuveen Healthy Organic Kids Shiftgig, Inc

University of Chicago Urban Education Institute USO Illinois WeDeliver, Inc.

College Internship Program Job Partners-Washington, D.C.

American Psychological Association ASAE Bank of America Byte Back CEB Children's National Medical Center

College Summit lov of Motion Crystal City Gateway Department of Education Latin American Youth Center Department of Justice NeighborWorks America New Course Catering Pepco Hubbard Place Providence

Providence Hospital Ritz Carlton Pentagon City Ritz Carlton Georgetown Sitar Arts Words, Beats, Life Inc. YMCA - Wellness



Interns meet with World Bank President, Dr. Kim

Our Partners

School Partners

Baltimore

Academy of College and Career Exploration (ACCE) Augusta Fells Savage Institute of Visual Arts High School Baltimore Talent Development High School Digital Harbor High School Frederick Douglass High School Independence School Maritime Industries Academy Northwestern High School Patterson High School REACH Partnership Reginald F. Lewis School of Business & Law W.E.B. DuBois High School

Chicago

Benito Juarez Community Academy High School Charles P Steinmetz Academic Centre High School Christian Fenger Academy High School David G Farragut Career Academy High School Gurdon S Hubbard High School John Marshall Metropolitan High School Kenwood Academy High School Marie Sklodowska Curie Metropolitan High School Muchin College Prep Paul Laurence Dunbar Career Academy High School Percy L Julian High School

Thomas Kelly High School Wells Community Academy High School Wendell Phillips Academy High School

Northern Virginia

TC Williams High School TC Williams Satellite Campus Wakefield High School

Washington, D.C. Anacostia Senior High School Ballou Senior High School Benjamin Banneker Academic High School Booker T. Washington Public Charter School Cardozo Senior High School Cesar Chavez Capitol Hill Columbia Heights Educational Campus (CHEC/ Bell) Coolidge Senior High School Dunbar Senior High School

Eastern Senior High School Friendship Collegiate Academy Public Charter School Hospitality High Public Charter School IDFA Public Charter School KIPP DC McKinley Technology High School Options Public Charter School Perry Street Prep Phelps Architecture, Construction and Engineering High School Roosevelt Senior High School Thurgood Marshall Academy Washington Mathematics Science Technology Public Charter High School (WMST) Wilson Senior High School Woodson Senior High School

Curriculum Outreach Partners

Baltimore

Baltimore City Public Schools Eve for Change Heritage High School R.O.O.T.S The Intersection

Northern Virginia

Arlington Career Center Northern Virginia Urban League

Washington, D.C.

Arts on the Block Capital Partners for Education Dance Place DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities DC Housing Authority DC Police Foundation DC Public Library Teens of Distinction Georgetown Meyers Institute for College Preparation LAYC Career Academy National Cathedral Scholars New Heights- IDEA Public Charter School Office of the State Superintendent of Education On Ramps to Careers Perry Street Preparatory Public Charter School Public Allies Sasha Bruce YouthBuild Sitar Arts Center YMCA DC Youth in Government YouthBuild Public Charter School

Urban Alliance Participates in 2nd Annual Spring2ACTion Campaign!



Spring2ACTion, a 24-hour online fundraising event hosted spring 2 by ACT for Alexandria, is held annually to benefit nonprofits in the Alexandria, VA community. This year, Urban Alliance participated in the event for the second consecutive year, and X A N D R I A realized stunning success. The one-day event raised more than \$30,000 from 260 individual donors including a challenge grant from the Bruhn-Morris Family Foundation. Funding

secured during Spring2ACTion in April 2014 will supplement the cost of sponsoring Interns at nonprofit sites in Alexandria as Urban Alliance hopes to double the number of youth served in the High School Internship Program in Northern Virginia for the 2014-2015 program year. Regardless of role, staff in the Northern Virginia, DC, and National regions put aside typical responsibilities for the day and solicited donations for Spring2ACTion. Staff contributed to the budding culture of philanthropy across the organization and displayed strong commitment to the core values of students first and taking care of each other.

Inaugural Young Alumni Giving Campaign Kicks Off!

A new initiative for the 2013–2014 program year, the Young Alumni Giving Campaign provided the class of 2014 with the opportunity to participate in an "employee giving campaign" while learning about the value and responsibility of philanthropy. Youth were challenged to donate \$20.14, their high school graduation year, to the Alumni Services Department at Urban Alliance. This amount approximately equates to the wages each young person would have earned during two hours of the summer full-time work experience. Essentially, Interns were asked to



donate two hours of their work back to Urban Alliance. The goal was to have 35% of the seniors completing the 10-month program donate to the campaign. At the completion of the program year, 41% of Interns donated to the campaign, raising more than \$2,300 for the Alumni Services Department.



Charles Reid, DC '96, Dean, Middle School, Cardozo Education Campus

A Heartfelt Thanks to Our Generous Donors*

Sandra Abrevaya

Individual Donors** Alan and Ronda Zients

Allison C. DiNardo Andrew and Claudia Plepler Anonymous Individual Donors Beth and Daryl Libow Bob Woodward and Elsa Walsh Carolyn Strauss Christing Gattuso Christopher McComish Colleen Dailey & Abdelhamid Elaissami Colleen Lee Courtenay Valenti Craig Martin Darlene Hall Donald Graham Douglas Gessner Eileen Shields-West Elon Mitchell Esther Newberg Geoffrey A Neuner Hani Mowafi Harry Rhoads Jr. leff and Mary Zients Jonathan E Súchland Joseph Ferraro Joyce D Carlock Young Judith Mazo Julie Farkas and Seth Goldman Julie Ortmeier Karen and Ethan Leder Karen Campbell Kristin Osenburg Kosmides Kwasi Mitchell Laurie Wingate and Mark Chandler Leah Rietveld Leonard Caldwell Liz Baratt Brown and Bos Dewev Marc and Vivian Brodsky Meghan Basic Michael D'Amato Michael Kantor and Heidi Schulman Michael Pfeiffer Muriel and Arden Maignan Wilkins Nancy Folger Nicholas G Kilavos Pat McGuire Paula Lombardo Pedram Afshar Philip Leibovitz and Nicole Ľ. Mock Richard and Pamela Sauber Richard and Sue Barry Rob Sobhani Robin Harris

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Community Foundation NCR Pritzker Pucker Family Danaher Foundation DC Children & Youth Investment Trust Corporation DC Department of Employment Services (DÓEŚ) DeVito Family Trust Ebb Point Foundation EIF Philanthropies Eugene and Agnes E. Mever Foundation Fannie[']Mae Freddie Mac Foundation Frederick Prince Trust GEM Capital, L.P. George Wasserman Family Foundation Giving Together Globetrotters Government Sector, LLC Goldman, Sachs & Co. Hands on DC Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation HBO/Time Warner Henry and Ruth Blaustein Rosenberg Foundation Heydar Aliyev Foundation Hitachi Foundation Horning Family Fund ImpactÄssets, İnc. J. Willard & Alice S. Marriott Foundation JPMorgan Chase Foundation Koons Tvsons Tovota Larmax Homes, LLC Lefkofsky Family Foundation Lois & Philip Macht Family Philanthropic Fund M & T Charitable Foundation Marian Osterweis Fund McMahon Solutions, LLC Mile High United Way Monster.com Morgan Stanley Motorola Mobility Foundation Motorola Solutions National Association of Professional Background Screeners National Cathedral School Office of Personnel Management One Main Financial Park 6 Foundation (Sprenger + Lang) Pitney Bowes Foundation PNC Bank Pritzker Foundation

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* The list above includes donations and grants made in 2013-2014. If there is an error in our listing, please accept our sincere apologies and contact us at kstorms@theurbanalliance.org.

** Individual donors listed contributed at least \$500 combined during years 2013 and 2014.

Financial Statement For Fiscal Year 2013

January 1, 2013–December 31, 2013

This is a financial snapshot for the year ending on December 31, 2013. Expenses and overall revenue figures have been audited by Raffa, P.C. A full audited report can be requested by e-mailing: kstorms@theurbanalliance. org. Please note that the specific breakdown of revenue over the funding source categories is determined by Urban Alliance and is not audited.

REVENUE

Contributions

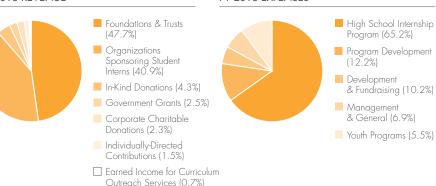
Foundations & Trusts
Organizations Sponsoring Student Interns
In-Kind Donations
Government Grants
Corporate Charitable Donations
Individually Directed Contributions
Earned Income for Curriculum Outreach Services
Total Contributions
Other Revenue
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EXPENSES

Program Services
High School Internship Program
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Support Services
Management & General
Development & Fundraising\$506,258
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Change in Net Assets
Beginning Net Assets
Ending Net Assets*

* Includes grant commitments for 2014–2015 and Board-designated \$1.1 million Operating Reserve.





FY 2013 EXPENSES

2014 Donor Spotlight

Interview with Kwasi Mitchell, Urban Alliance Donor and New Board Member

Q. What did you **imagine** your connection with Urban Alliance would be like?

A. I have always known that Urban Alliance is a unique organization but was surprised by the level of involvement in the program offered to passionate donors. From the Public Speaking Challenge to high-profile events like the forum at the US Chamber of Commerce in addition to regular ongoing communications, I have never seen an organization that has truly invited donors at all levels to have an impact in the fashion that Urban Alliance does.



Q. How do you think your **investment** in Urban Alliance made an impact? Why do you continue to **invest** in the program?

A. I believe that my **investment** has had an impact in Urban Alliance's expansion to new cities and building the infrastructure for the organization to scale nationally. The results that Urban Alliance has achieved are phenomenal and I continue to **invest** because the potential of expanding Urban Alliance to other cities and regions of the country makes me excited about the impact that Urban Alliance can have on youth that were raised in similar environments as myself.

Q. What would you say to a new potential donor to **inspire** them to participate in the program?

A. I have little to say to **inspire** other donors or program participants outside of spend five minutes with one of Urban Alliance's staff. I cannot **imagine** anything more **inspiring** than the passion and dedication of the teams working so hard to provide each additional opportunity to the youth the program serves. It is an amazing team.

Urban Alliance Staff

National

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Eshauna Smith	Chief Executive Officer
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Veronica Nolan	
Samantha Palmer	
Sean Segal	Chief Operating Officer
Jazmyn Šingleton	Director of Alumni Services
Lisa Śoutherland	
Liz Spurgeon	
Aileen Xenakis	

2014 Media Highlights





This program year presented a number of TV and print media opportunities for Interns and staff to

represent the organization, provide commentary, and contribute as subject matter experts on the topic of youth employment. From highlights on CNN's Chicagoland, to local newscasts on the impact of the Dream Act, and a feature in the New York Times, Urban Alliance garnered a great deal of public recognition. For continued updates on the organization, visit the News page on the Urban Alliance website or follow @UrbanAlliance on social media.



2013 Staff Retreat



Board of Directors*

Andrew Plepler	President of the Board and Founder, Urban Alliance
	Global Corporate Social Responsibility Executive and Consumer Policy Executive, Bank of America
Mary Menell Zients	Board Chair, Urban Alliance; Volunteer
Anna Bard	Community Affairs Manager - MD, DC & VA
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Viki Betancourt	The World Bank (Retired)
	Vice President and Chief Policy Officer, Verizon
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INSPIRE

What's Ahead for Urban Alliance?

Twelve years ago, my phenomenal predecessor, Veronica Nolan, set out to bring Urban Alliance to as many young people as possible. This past year, Urban Alliance placed 536 youth in paid internships and served over 1,500 youth in Washington, DC, Baltimore, Chicago, and Northern Virginia.

Today, I am **inspired** by the strong foundation that Veronica set and our rich history to continue the Urban Alliance legacy of bold and visionary leadership to meet the urgent needs of our young people. Between 2000 and 2011, employment rates fell to 24% for teens aged 16-19, the lowest employment rate in the country in over sixty years.



As our young people continue to struggle with accessing early workforce opportunities and finding a foothold in the labor market, we are prepared at Urban Alliance to take all that we've learned throughout our 18-year history to meet the growing needs of our

This internship can be the start of a life you never knew you were able to accomplish. No one that is successful in life got in that position without help. Use this program as a new beginning your past doesn't matter as long as you're looking toward your **future**.

youth. Recently we held an event in partnership with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Together, we hosted a powerful conversation and call-to-action to lift up the critical role that early and meaningful workforce experiences play in positively impacting the lives of low-income youth and our country's talent pipeline which is in sore need of skilled and diverse workers.

Over the next several years, we will continue to serve young people at the highest quality levels, while playing a leadership role nationally to spark dialogue, bring youth voice, and build increased awareness about the urgent need to forge new employment pathways for our most vulnerable young people.

Sincerely,

Esh Smith

Eshauna Smith Chief Executive Officer



William Bates, Baltimore '13, Student at Bowie State University

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