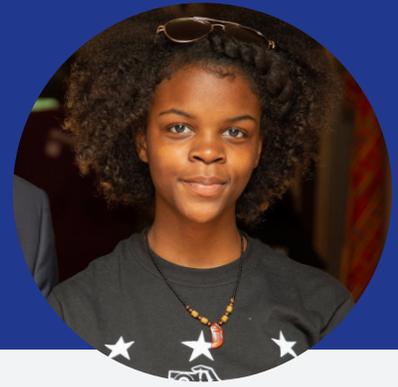


2019

YEAR IN REVIEW

“I joined Critical Exposure because I loved photography. I stayed because I found my voice.”

► Destiny J., CE Fellowship Alum



NEW HAPPENINGS

DC Girls Coalition

In 2019, CE joined the DC Girls Coalition, which uplifts girls of color as leaders and is building a network of organizations dedicated to advocating for and adopting policies and practices that center around the needs of girls of color.

Vote16 Campaign

CE is part of Vote16DC, a coalition of youth, adult allies, and local organizations working to extend voting rights to 16- and 17-year-olds in Washington, DC.

United Leaders 4 Freedom

In 2019, CE became a founding member organization of United Leaders 4 Freedom, a youth-of-color-led coalition. The coalition will provide youth with a platform to build collective power that impacts systemic change in their schools and communities.

TRAINING LEADERS

In April 2019, two CE youth and CE staff traveled to Brooklyn to participate in the 2019 National Youth Organizing Training led by the School of Unity and Liberation (SOUL). The training provided tools and resources for young people to increase their understanding of, and interest in, grassroots organizing as an approach to social and educational change.

2,600+ young people engaged since our founding in 2004

132 young people engaged this year

100% of youth report that CE had made a positive impact in their lives.

100% of youth felt safe and included at CE.

100% of youth expressed confidence using a digital camera.

92% of youth expressed confidence taking a photograph that tells a story

81% of youth expressed confidence using different techniques to compose a photograph

96% of youth understand how power and decision-making works within the school system

92% of youth understand how to make change within the school system.

100% of youth believe photography can support change in a school or community

“Without all of you, I would not have gotten to this point. I am grateful that [Critical Exposure] was my starting point to learning how to organize. I am always part of the Critical Exposure family and will never forget where I started.”

– Angel H., CE Internship alum, received the Right Direction Award from DC Attorney General Karl Racine for boosting the involvement of young people and DC’s Latino community in local politics.

