

Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice | Healing Hurt People
**Community Health Worker Peer (CHWP)/Certified Peer Specialist (CPS)
Training Academy**

Do you know what it is like to be impacted by violence in your neighborhood? Do you want to use your experiences to help other people heal from their injuries? We invite you to learn more about becoming a **Community Health Worker Peer/Certified Peer Specialist!**

The Drexel University Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice is currently seeking applicants for our 9-week **Community Health Worker Peer (CHWP)/Certified Peer Specialist (CPS) Training Academy**. This program, sponsored by a grant from the Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, is designed to train **men, ages 18-30, who have experienced violent injury in their own lives to become Community Health Worker Peers/ Certified Peer Specialist.**

This training series, which pairs Community Health Worker Peer and Certified Peer Specialist trainings, provides trauma-informed instruction where participants will gain skills in understanding trauma and violence, peer-based services, health system navigation and community support to help young people in Philadelphia who are hurt by violent injury. **Individuals who complete the CHWP/CPS Training Academy will be eligible to apply for employment as a Community Health Worker Peer/Certified Peer Specialist in the Healing Hurt People program.**

Important Information about the CHWP/CPS Training Academy:

<u>Dates:</u>	May 14, 2018- July 12, 2018
<u>Length of training:</u>	4 days per week for 9 weeks, 165 hours of training
<u>Days of training:</u>	Four (4) days per week Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (M-Th)
<u>Time:</u>	9am-3pm
<u>Location:</u>	Drexel University Dornsife Center for Neighborhood Partnerships
<u>Cost:</u>	FREE training, Participant payment will be provided Assistance with transportation is also available to participants.

There are only 10 spaces are available in the CHWP/CPS Training Academy

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Applications will be accepted **March 15 through April 16, 2018**, with spaces provided to qualified applicants on a first come, first served basis.

MINIMUM requirements for applicants:

- Identify as male
- Age 18-30
- Personal experience of violence, either to yourself or someone close to you
- Willingness to share how violence and trauma have impacted your mental and physical health, and to use that experience to help others heal
- High School Diploma or GED
- Copy of your resume
- Valid Photo Identification

Program Expectations:

- Commit to 165 hours of training, 4 days weekly for 9 weeks
- Attend **ALL** sessions of the Training Academy
- A criminal background may NOT be a barrier to entry into the program- eligibility for the CHWP/CPS Training Academy will be handled on a case by case basis
- Please note that this is a training opportunity and is not attached to a job offer

To apply:

Please complete the full Community Health Worker Peer/ Certified Peer Specialist (CHWP/CPS) Training Academy Application

This includes:

- **Completed application form**
- **One copy of your resume**

Applications will be accepted from March 15 to April 16, 2018
Selected applicants will be invited for an in-person interview

If you are interested in applying and need help understanding part of the application, **please call or email and we are happy to help answer any questions.**

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