

### **OUR MISSION**

ManUpPHL's mission is to step into the lives of the men who are statistically most likely to be victims or perpetrators of gun violence in our city, and to provide them with the mentoring, accountability, resources and consistency they require to change their lives and make our communities better.



#### WHO WE SERVE

At ManUpPHL, we serve Black men and boys in the Philadelphia area, focusing on young men ages 13–35 who are at risk of gun violence. Our student program currently operates in six Philadelphia public schools. Our adult program supports neighborhoods across the city and convenes in our center city offices. Through mentorship, resources, and guidance, we empower participants to make positive life choices, build stronger communities, and create a safer future for themselves and their families.



## **OUR AREAS OF FOCUS**

ManUpPHL connects mentees to vital resources, helping young men access the support they need to overcome challenges and build safer, brighter futures. Our six areas of focus include:



**Employment:** We created our "Listening to the Streets" initiative to provide our mentees with job opportunities as a way to decrease gun violence.



**Criminal Justice:** We partner with other organizations to help our mentees with criminal justice issues and provide our mentees with character references when they earn them.



**Education:** We provide our mentees with the resources they need to further their education, which helps them to move beyond jobs and into careers.



**Family:** We seek to work with mentees and their families to form functioning teams that help all of us to move forward.



**Fatherhood:** We share our experience with fatherhood in order to help our mentees have better outcomes with their children.



**Financial Literacy:** We provide our mentees with a course on financial literacy, helping them to gain a solid understanding of concepts like budgeting, credit, and saving.

# **Transforming Lives Through Listening to the Streets**

ManUpPHL's Listening to the Streets initiative is dedicated to empowering men of color, ages 13-35, most at risk of gun violence. Through interactive sessions, we address challenges, explore solutions, and provide the tools for lasting change. Listening to the Streets operates in six schools, engaging students from across the city. Participants benefit from:

- A \$15/hour stipend and complimentary daily meal.
- Workshops on life skills, financial literacy, and job readiness.
- Group therapy sessions with a licensed therapist.
- One-on-one mentorship for continuous guidance.
- Ongoing support from a dedicated team.
- Job opportunities for qualified participants.

This program is about more than listening—it's about building brighter futures.

#### **GET INVOLVED**

Getting involved with ManUpPHL means being part of a community-driven mission to reduce gun violence and uplift young men of color in Philadelphia. Whether you mentor, volunteer, or donate, your support helps provide life-changing resources like therapy, job training, and mentorship to those most impacted. Together, we can create safer streets and brighter futures. Join us in building stronger communities—visit our website to learn how you can make a difference.







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