

About UACS

We are a charitable organization that provides culturally-relevant programs and services to inspire residents in the Region of Peel, primarily from the Black and Caribbean communities, to make positive changes in their lives and within their communities.

Our vision is to lead in the transformation that would ensure equity and equality for Black and Caribbean communities within the Region of Peel and beyond.

We offer programs for children, youth, women, families and seniors. At the heart of our programs is the desire to reduce poverty and help members of the Black and Caribbean communities lead healthy and productive lives. Activities, developed from a culturally-sensitive perspective, are geared toward empowering our clients and helping them find their inner strength and abilities to create solutions to the challenges they face.

Our Partners

Partnering with UACS in this initiative are:

- Malton Black Development Association
- Peel Children's Aid Society
- Life's Poetry Community Empowerment
- Ontario College for Development Training
- The Wright Career Solution
- YouthREX



Black Leaders of Tomorrow

Youth Entrepreneurship
Mentoring Program



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INSPIRING LIVES, EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES

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Black Leaders of Tomorrow

United Achievers' Community Services Inc and its partners received funding through the Services for Black Children, Youth & Families (SBCYF) – formerly Ontario Black Youth Action Plan – to develop a mentorship program for youth who are entrepreneurs or aspire to own their own business.

What We Offer

The opportunity for youth who identify as Black to gain valuable knowledge and skills to run a business successfully as well as develop a positive attitude about being Black.

The opportunity for business leaders in the Black community to use their knowledge and skills to coach promising young entrepreneurs and help them chart a path for positive outcomes in life.



For the Mentees

Benefits to You

- One year of mentoring from a Black business leader
- Assistance in developing a solid business plan throughout the mentorship process
- Improve your communications skills
- Build your contacts through networking sessions
- Hone your business skills
- Participate in a start-up competition to be eligible for a business grant
- Be a part of a network of Black professionals in the Region of Peel dedicated to success of Black communities
- Year-round support to ensure your participation in the program is successful
- Engage in meaningful discussions about Black cultural identity and the upliftment of our communities

Eligibility Criteria

- Identify as a Black youth
- Be between the ages of 16 and 24 years
- Have or aspire to own your business
- Reside in the Region of Peel (Brampton, Caledon, Mississauga)
- Have a passion/talent you want to monetize

Requirements

- Commitment to be in the program for one year
- Attendance at scheduled meetings and workshops (approx. 6 in the year once matched)
- Meet with your mentor for at least 6 hours a month
- Adhere to program policies & procedures
- Work on your business plan

For the Mentors

Benefits to You

- Personal fulfillment through contributing to the lives of Black youth
- Satisfaction in helping mentees develop the acumen to become strong leaders of tomorrow
- Participate in workshops and group activities with other professionals and aspiring entrepreneurs
- Be a part of a network of Black professionals in the Region of Peel dedicated to the success of Black communities
- Year-round support to ensure the mentor/mentee match is successful
- Engage in meaningful discussions about Black cultural identity and the upliftment of our communities

Eligibility Criteria

- Have experience as a business owner or extensive experience in what it takes to manage a business
- Be 25 years or older
- Have a strong positive sense of Black identity
- Must obtain a clean Vulnerable Sector Police check
- Provide three credible references

Requirements

- Commitment to be in the program for one year
- Attendance at scheduled meetings and workshops (approx. 6 in the year once matched)
- Meet with your mentee for at least 6 hours a month
- Adhere to program policies & procedures

Passion is energy! Feel the power that comes from focusing on what excites you.

Oprah Winfrey