

FEE:

A fee of \$250 is required from mentees which will be required upon contract signing, which will be returned upon successful completion of the program.

TIMELINE:

Rolling acceptance - Kickoff May 5th

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please direct any general questions

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More information about the Housing and Community

Development Network of New Jersey can be found at

www.hcdnnj.org



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COMPLETE APPLICATION AND SUBMIT RESUME

at www.hcdnnj.org/mentor

APPLICATIONS DUE by Monday, April 3, 2017



MISSION: The Rising Leaders program is designed to forge strong connections within the community development field and foster the next generation of leaders. It will prepare diverse mid to senior level professionals, who demonstrate the necessary passion and potential, for advancement into positions of responsibility. These Rising Leaders will be matched with experienced mentors in the field. Over the course of one year, nonprofit professionals and rising leaders alike can expect to tangibly build capacity in both personal and professional ways through oneon-one meetings, professional development trainings, and networking events. HCDNNJ staff will make mentor matches based on availability and strengths of applicants. A formal letter of support from organizational leadership is required for mentees.



Community Development is a dynamic field that requires leaders who are equipped to use context from the past in order to develop future solutions. A mentor can make all the difference. That's why M&T Bank is proud to support this important program."

- Alle Ries-Mendoza, NJ CRA Officer and Vice President, Community Reinvestment Group

OVERVIEW:

- Annual 12 month program
- → One-on-one personal and professional development on housing and community subjects
- Organizational support and state-wide networking
- → Participants must be members of the Network in good standing



The Network recognizes that our field is changing, as the founders of community development organizations are passing the baton to a new generation of leaders. Now is the time for that generation to build their strengths and sharpen their skills, so that they have the knowledge and confidence to move their individual organizations and our shared agenda forward."

- Staci Berger, Network President & CEO

ELIGIBILITY:

For mentors:

- > Senior or executive level positions, or on a board with a leadership position
- → Have a minimum of 10 years experience in community development
- Commit to being proactive and engaging coach for the year

For mentees:

- → Currently in the community development field with an expressed desire to continue in this sector
- → Have a minimum of two years' experience in community development
- → Have letter of support from a supervisor, executive director, or board president
- Commit to being proactive and engaging participants for the year