



Washington Area Women's Foundation's Young Women's Initiative

## **GirlsLEAD Summit**

In partnership with the University of the District of Columbia

March 9, 2018

### **Call for Presentations & Workshops**

The **GirlsLEAD Summit** is a city-wide convening for middle and high school aged girls of color in Washington, DC. At the Summit, girls will have the opportunity to participate in workshops and activities designed to build confidence and leadership skills and to increase their capacity to effect positive change in their communities.

#### **Goals & Purpose of the Summit**

- Bring local leaders and girls together to gain a better understanding of the issues, challenges and opportunities for girls in the District;
- Provide an opportunity for girls to make new connections and engage with peers and mentors on a range of issues including sexual and mental health, entrepreneurship, civic engagement, and academic success and achievement;
- Foster intergenerational dialogue and community building across Wards and lived experiences; and
- Build the confidence and leadership skills of girls.

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We invite girls, youth advocates and practitioners, and others involved in girl-centered work or research to submit presentations or workshops for inclusion in the GirlsLEAD Summit.

Sample topics for presentations or workshops include, but are not limited to:

- **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)**
- **Education and Career Pathways**
- **Health and Well-Being (including mental and sexual health, relationship and sexual violence, and street harassment)**
- **Community Engagement & Supports**
- **Juvenile Justice and the Criminal-Legal System**
- **Advocacy, Social Justice, and Community Change**
- **Social Media**
- **Leadership Development**



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### Workshop & Presentation Streams

**STREAMS:** At the GirlsLEAD Summit, there will be four main streams: (1) **Middle School girls (ages 10-13)**, (2) **High School girls (9-18)**, (3) **Young Adult girls (19-24)** and (4) **Practitioners**. Proposed presentations and workshops should focus on one of the four groups, and content should be age-appropriate.

### Girl-Led Presentations and Workshops

Our goal is to have most of the workshops or presentations for the middle school and high school/young adult tracks at the GirlsLEAD summit to be led by young women and girls of color with 2-3 presenters for each. **Each girl-led workshop should have one adult mentor listed as a co-presenter.**

### Practitioner-Led Presentations and Workshops

Practitioner-Led workshops are adult-led and centered, and should focus on issues and topics related to serving or working alongside young women and girls of color in the District.

### Format of Presentation and Workshop Format

All workshops and presentations should be interactive and include exercises or opportunities to fully engage participants. All presentations and workshops are **75 minutes**. \*\* Full length film screenings will not be considered for a workshop or presentation.

**LOCATION:** The GirlsLEAD Summit will be held in Washington, DC at the University of the District of Columbia located at 4200 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008. **The venue is metro accessible.**

**How To Submit A Proposal For A Workshop Or Presentation:** Please submit a workshop or presentation summary (500 words or less), title, and conference stream (middle school, high school, young adult, or practitioner), and the names and contact information of the presenters. All submissions should be emailed to [GirlsLEADdc@wawf.org](mailto:GirlsLEADdc@wawf.org).

**All girl-led workshops or presentations should be presented with a primary adult mentor with her/his contact information.**

**Please note:** The GirlsLEAD Summit will consider out-of-state submissions, but will not be able cover the cost of travel for facilitators or practitioners.

**Deadline:** The deadline to submit a workshop or presentation proposal for consideration is **Tuesday, February 20, 2018 by 3:00 p.m. EST**. We will review proposals on a rolling basis, and assign available workshop or presentation slots as they are received.

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