

WINGS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

In partnership with the New York State Mentoring Program, community-based organizations, and community advisors, Protecting Chrysalis' Wings Program will provide a mentor and safe space that fosters positive social engagement and offer youth opportunities for volunteerism, community renewal, and civic engagement.

The Wings program is designed to improve the emotional and social support needs of youth ages 10-15. The program's model is centered around the organization's mission to break the cycle of intergenerational incarceration and the systemic inequities that reinforce poverty. The program helps to align youth as the driving force of change. The 2021-2022 Wings Program curriculum aims to empower community ownership through volunteerism, self-actualization through goal setting, and increased social justice awareness through community and civic engagement.

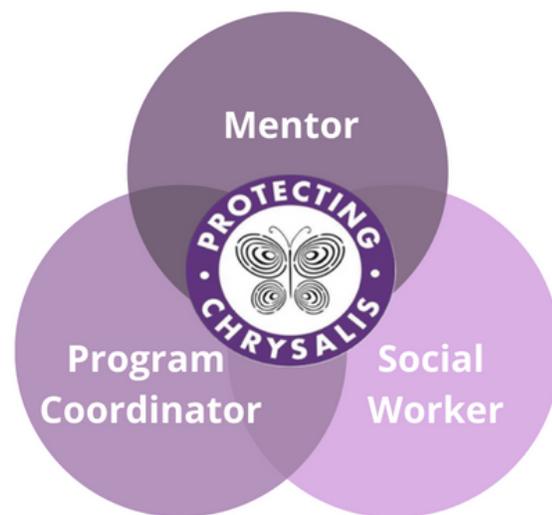
Program Model

Protecting Chrysalis is committed to partnering with mentors who believe in and support their mentee's leadership aspirations. Our mentors acknowledge and understand the challenges that their mentees may be facing. Most of our mentors have experienced firsthand the obstacles endured when one lives in an under-resourced or high-crime community.

All mentees are supported through a team approach. Each team consists of a mentor, social work case manager, and program coordinator.

Data is an integral part of measuring the success of the mentee's experience in the program. The use of surveys and individualized youth development plans will support the mentee's success and progression.

Civic/community engagement helps children build a positive identity through relationship building and empowerment. Protecting Chrysalis is committed to partnering with community stakeholders to enrich the youth's experience while in the program. These partnerships provide opportunities that support the mentee's goal attainment through organized field excursions, volunteerism, and advanced learning opportunities.



Projected Outcomes

Graduates of the Wings Program will achieve the following:

- Improved school attendance rate
- Improved coping, social, and emotional mental well-being
- Increased positive school engagement
- Increase community and civic awareness and engagement
- Improved self-esteem
- Avoidance of justice system involvement
- Improved emotional response and awareness

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