

## **2021 SCI Youth Grant Pitch Contest**

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

The 2021 SCI Youth Grant Pitch Contest is an initiative designed to engage community focused youth-led groups based in Wilmington, Winchester, and Woburn in a process of developing projects that respond to the mental health needs of their peers. Participating youth groups commit to a month-long learning experience that puts them in the driver's seat of positive change, while providing the guidance, monetary resources, and social capital needed to make a real impact.

Youth groups will be paired with a Proposal Development Coach, who are working professionals volunteering to mentor each youth group throughout the project proposal development phase. The program will then culminate in the Pitch Contest virtual event, where a panel of judges will award grant funds for project implementation to selected groups.

Through the Pitch Contest, SCI will award \$4,000 worth of grants to youth-led groups who will then have until November 2021 to complete their respective projects.

As an initial pilot project, the success of the 2021 SCI Youth Grant Pitch Contest is important to our goal of expanding the program availability to more young people in the Greater Boston area on an annual basis.

## SCI is looking to engage adult volunteers for the following opportunities:

- 1. **Proposal Development Coach**: A working professional with experience in Project Management, Sales, Business, Finance, or Community Development, that is willing & able to commit to at least one (1) hour/week for four (4) weeks, beginning the week of March 15th-19th, 2021. Primary youth coaching needs will be in presentation development and public speaking. The timing of volunteer hours is flexible and will be coordinated between coaches & youth groups with SCI support. *Need between 5-10 volunteers*.
- Pitch Contest Judge: A working professional with experience in Business, Philanthropy, Nonprofit Management, Mental Health, or Community Development, that is willing & able to commit to attending an extended virtual event (approximately 2 hours) on Wednesday, April 15th, 2021. Need 3-5 volunteers.

Interested in being a volunteer? Please reach out to SCI Program Director, Phil Gordon, at pgordon@socialcapitalinc.org or by phone at 781-608-1499.