# Stigmo Stigmo With Peer-Led Education



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As workshop speakers at this conference, we, (Amy Yashinsky and Malkia Maisha Newman)
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#### Community Network Services



oWhat we do

oWho we serve

#### **Objectives**

- To emphasize the value of Peer-Led Education Programs.
- To explore the creation of Peer-Led Initiatives.
- To examine effective outreach strategies used in the development of the CNS Anti-Stigma Program.

# A Brief Program History



Malkia Maisha & Margaret Thele

#### 2006 Eli Lilly Awards



Laura Farwell

Malkia Maisha



Margaret Thele, James Fortune, Malkia Maisha Newman 2007 MIRA Awards

Washington D.C. 2006



Malkia, Margaret, Laura, & Erin



James, Margaret, Laura, Amy, & Malkia 1<sup>st</sup> Annual 5K Run Walk 2008

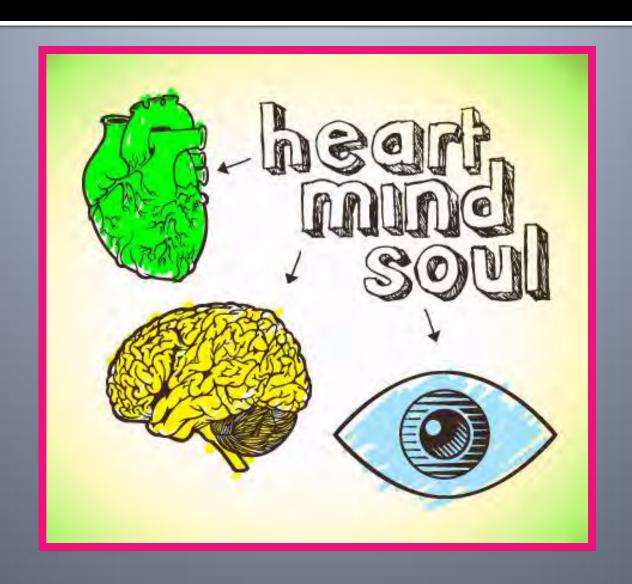


Emily Smith & Malkia Newman 2009 Community Faith Breakfast



Malkia Newman, Amy Yashinsky, Kim Rider, & Sarah Inda 2011 National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare Awards Celebration Program of Merit

#### The Value of Peer Led Education



#### Personal Experience

- Validity
- o Real-Life Solutions
- o Tried and True





#### **Creation of New Peers**



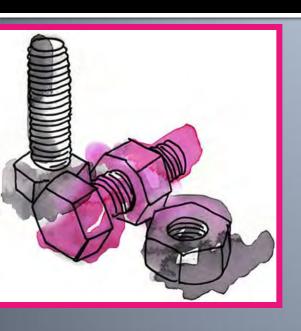
#### Dispels Myths and Stereotypes

- o In our own words
- o Faces of Recovery
- o Keeping it Real
- Encourages Empathy

#### Creation of Peer-Led Programs

- Structure
- Communication
- Personal Responsibility & Accountability

#### **NUTS & BOLTS**

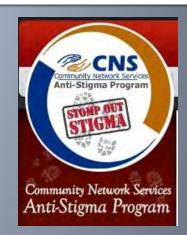


FundingTrainingSupport



#### **Marketing and Public Relations**

- o Website
- Social Media
- o Newsletter
- Brochures & Giveaways
- Basic Presentation
  - Customization







#### THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX



# What You Need to Know About



### Mental Health

#### Malkia's Story

- Do You See the Elephant?
- Seeking Help
- That Was Then, This is
   Now



#### Amy's Story



- So, why am I here?
- "Personal Experience"
- Being of Service



#### **Presents:**

## Adventures Recover "We're Not in Kansas Anymore, Toto!"



!And your little dog, too!!





#### Recovery is.....

#### The Power of The Spirit













#### WHAT WORKED-WHAT DIDN'T

- Allowing Peer
   Educators to Develop
   the Program on Their
   Own
- Clearly Defining Expectations & Program Goals
- Working With the Strengths of Individual Team Members

- Mass
   Mailings/Depending on
   Others to Market the
   Program
- Not Having Policies & Procedures to Assist in Program Development
- Not Resolving Conflict in a Timely Manner

# NO LIMITS NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF PEERS







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