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“It’s important to think in terms of what you accomplish, but it’s more rewarding to think in terms of who you become.”

What do you do as your community engagement activity?

Involvement on the SOURCE Governing Board, participated in service learning project with AIRS, working with core group of JHBSPH students in organizing a sustained response in collaboration with administration and the student body to address systemic issues of inequity experienced by Baltimore City communities brought to the forefront in the wake of the homicide of Mr. Freddie Gray.

How much time do you spend on service per week/month?

It ranges based on the project but may be 4 hours/wk.

How did you begin to work with your community-based organization (CBO)?

The work with AIRS began through a service learning project in a Health Communication Program Design, Implementation and Evaluation Course taught by Doug Storey. The work with students emerged organically with a few colleagues who wanted to inspire the institution to take a more proactive engagement in the recent events related to Mr. Freddie Gray’s death and the community’s acts of civil and aggressive disruptions.

Listening and finding myself and space in those conversations, both the joyous laughter and the suffering and distress. Then I take my hearing to other levels to reflect back to community members, "SEE, I heard you."



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