SOURCE
THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICE-LEARNING CENTER
SERVING THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOLS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, NURSING, AND MEDICINE

ANNUAL REPORT
2021-2022
SOURCE’s mission is to engage the Johns Hopkins University (JHU) health professional schools and Baltimore communities in mutually beneficial partnerships that promote health and social justice. Since 2005, SOURCE has connected students, faculty and staff from the JHU Schools of Public Health, Nursing, and Medicine with meaningful, mutually beneficial community engagement opportunities in Baltimore City.

SOURCE partners with over 100 community-based organizations (CBOs) in Baltimore, and supports a wide range of engagement opportunities that respond to community-identified needs. These engagement opportunities include:

- Intensive, year-long academic-community partnership and training programs
- For-credit service-learning courses and degree requirement experiences
- Special events and programmatic series held in connection with community partners

Driven by our core values of reciprocity, justice, service, and collaboration, SOURCE is proud to have made a lasting impact in 2021-2022 working with our partner organizations in Baltimore and JHU schools.

Navigating COVID-19 Challenges

Despite nearly another full year of virtual engagement due to COVID-19 restrictions, many of SOURCE’s service-learning programs and courses continued as usual in 2021-22. While individual in-person activities were allowed, in-person group service was not approved by JHU until April 2022.

2021-2022 By The Numbers

**Bloomberg School of Public Health**
- 338 Unique Volunteers
- 17,708 Service Hours

**School of Nursing**
- 356 Unique Volunteers
- 22,364 Service Hours

**School of Medicine**
- 235 Unique Volunteers
- 3,280 Service Hours

530 service hours were reported by an additional 93 unique volunteers from other Johns Hopkins programs, largely from the Johns Hopkins HEAT Corps and recruited volunteers to support SOURCE Service Scholars’ activities.

Financial Value of Volunteer Time

The estimated dollar value of volunteer time in Maryland in 2021 was $32.82 per hour.* Therefore, the estimated economic contribution by our volunteers in 2021-2022 is:

$1,440,207

* Independent Sector, Department of Labor. [https://www.independentsector.org/volunteer-time](https://www.independentsector.org/volunteer-time)
Now in its second year, Johns Hopkins Health Education And Training Corps (HEAT Corps) started is a collaboration between Medicine for the Greater Good, Office of Economic Development, SOURCE and several partners across the Johns Hopkins Institutions. SOURCE recruits Johns Hopkins volunteers from the three health professional schools to provide health education and training regarding COVID-19 to K-12 youth.

The curriculum is taught virtually in schools throughout the United States as well as several other countries, with a particular focus on Baltimore City Public Schools. Through a series of 45-minute sessions, the HEAT Corps aims to heighten student awareness about the science of COVID-19 and the public health response. Hopkins volunteers had a unique opportunity to develop their own health education and teaching skills, while simultaneously supporting youth in their understanding of COVID-19.

Volunteers received training and guidance from a team of Johns Hopkins faculty and staff in public health knowledge of how the pandemic started, the science of the vaccines, and other relevant topics, while teaching K-12 students what roles they can play in ending the pandemic.
Baltimore Action Projects

SOURCE collaborates with the Bloomberg American Health Initiative to support Baltimore Action Projects. These projects focus on the five areas identified by the Initiative to reshape the national public health agenda: Addiction and Overdose, Obesity and the Food System, Violence, Risks to Adolescent Health, and Environmental Challenges. The projects provide an opportunity to tackle these issues in Baltimore.

In partnership with the Initiative, SOURCE and community-based organizations (CBOs), Baltimore Action Projects are community-identified projects which directly address the Initiative’s focus areas. Through the Initiative’s funding, graduate students from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and Johns Hopkins School of Nursing are hired to work a minimum of 100 hours to complete Baltimore Action Projects in partnership with CBOs.

In 2021-2022, the fifth year of the program, nine Baltimore Action Projects were completed, including:

"Strategic Community Outreach for WIC" with B’More for Healthy Babies

"Structural Barriers to Nutritional Attainment” with EndsideOut, Inc.

"Parents in Recovery Together: Understanding the Impact of Supportive Housing on Families in Recovery" with Family Recovery Program

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951 hours of service contributed in the community through
Baltimore Action Projects

Community Outreach Program at the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing

SOURCE collaborates with the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing to coordinate the Community Outreach Program (COP). Through COP, nursing students are placed with a community-based organization for the academic year to gain practical experiences in public health nursing and service-learning. At the end of the 2021-2022 academic year:

13 Students reported their experiences via online COP log

10 Community-based organizations were served

2,284 People served directly through student actions

587 hours of service contributed in the community through COP
2021-2022 Program Highlights

**SOURCE Service Scholars**

**Thirteen** students from BSPH and JHSOM successfully completed the **SOURCE Service Scholars (SSS) Program** in 2021-2022. The program pairs Scholars with partner community-based organizations who have designed projects to address their urgent programmatic and client priorities. Scholars commit themselves to recruit and lead small teams of volunteers to complete these projects in the academic year, while simultaneously receiving training on:

- Foundations of effective community partnerships and service-learning
- Volunteer management and cultivation
- Design and facilitation of critical reflection
- Challenges & opportunities of working with Baltimore communities
- Project sustainability

Over the course of the Scholar year, **69 unique JHU student volunteers** were recruited to support SOURCE Service Scholar projects. A total of **366 hours** were logged from these additional volunteers. The successful Scholars themselves dedicated a total of **2,069 hours**.

Total hours of JHU engaged volunteers and Scholars amounted to **2,435 hours in 2021-2022**.

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**2021-2022 SOURCE Service Scholars**

- Danielle Amundsen, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: Project PLASE*
- Theresa Asuquo, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: Green and Healthy Homes Initiative*
- Claudia Fernandez Perez, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: Hopkins Community Connection*
- Haleigh Ferro, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: House of Ruth Maryland*
- Emily Huang, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: Lori’s Hands*
- Geethika Koneru, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: MissionFit*
- Marcelina Kubika, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: EndsideOut, Inc.*

- Stefany Lazieh, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: International Rescue Committee*
- Kevin Li, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: Pride Center of Maryland*
- Carolina Lopez-Silva, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: CASA de Maryland*
- Aditi Luitel, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: Commodore John Rodgers School*
- Celina Pargas, BSPH  
  *Partner Organization: Total Health Care*
- Raymond So, JHSOM  
  *Partner Organization: Roberta’s House*

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2,435 hours of service contributed in the community through the **SOURCE Service Scholars Program**
Connection Community Consultants Program

The Connection is SOURCE’s short-term, small team consulting program which responds to requests from community partners. In 2021-2022, 5 projects requested by three SOURCE community partners were completed through the program. A total of 15 students participated in the program. Highlights of the 2021-2022 Connection Community Consultants projects include:

“Equitable Out of School Time for Kids & Youth Programs” with Banner Neighborhoods

Banner Neighborhoods Community Corporation was preparing to apply for American Rescue Plan Funds in order to expand Banner Neighborhoods sports programming for youth age 9-24. For the application, Banner wanted a literature review on the effects of COVID-19 on learning loss for children and youth in areas including: missed school time, learning loss, out of school programming, and workforce development.

“Increase Community Engagement around Food Security Programs” with Good Harvest

Good Harvest Community Kitchen was looking to expand its social media presence in order to enhance brand awareness and engage Good Harvest’s existing supporters and stakeholders in programming initiatives, building an even larger, more robust community network. The final deliverable was a strategic plan for different social media platforms for various audiences.

“Developing an Instagram Campaign Series for Harm Reduction” with SPARC

SPARC wanted to develop a resource library and associated Instagram campaign. They were interested in creating a discussion about harm reduction, providing connections to services/resources in Baltimore, and connecting with non-harm reduction professionals to create greater understanding. Students developed a small library of Instagram posts that work cohesively together and achieve SPARC’s goals.
Our SOURCE Service-Learning Faculty and Community Fellows Program was rebranded as the Johns Hopkins SOURCE Service-Learning Academy as we welcomed our first national cohort of fellows this year. In addition to five JHU faculty fellows and three Baltimore community fellows, we accepted three faculty fellows from a diverse range of institutions across the United States into the 2021-2022 cohort.

The JHU SOURCE Service-Learning Academy is one of the most comprehensive service-learning fellows programs in the country, and includes a rare feature of training faculty and community fellows together on key elements of service-learning, social justice, and academic-community partnerships.

This newest growth of the Academy reflects our commitment to being a leader in critical service-learning in the health professions, growing our reach for communicating our impactful partnerships in Baltimore and using them as a model of social change to spread across the country and around the globe.

The program includes:

- 2.5-day kick-off seminar
- 1-on-1 advising for faculty course development
- Bi-monthly required cohort meetings
- Bi-monthly optional fellows meetings for all current and past fellows
- Final presentation and celebration
- Community Fellows project to support SOURCE

### 2021-2022 SOURCE Service-Learning Faculty Fellows

- **Urmí Desai, MD**
  Assistant Professor of Medicine
  Center for Family and Community Medicine
  Columbia/New York-Presbyterian Hospital

- **Aisha Rivera Margarin, MD, MS**
  Program Director, Johns Hopkins Occupational and Environmental Medicine Residency

- **Paula V. Nersesian, PhD, MPH, RN**
  Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, University of Southern Maine

- **Gayle Robinson PhD, MN, BSN, RN**
  Assistant Professor, Seattle University College of Nursing

- **Michael Rosenblum, PhD**
  Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

- **Bushra Sabri, PhD, MSW**
  Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing

- **Janiece L. Taylor, PhD, MSN, RN**
  Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing

- **Carrie Wright, PhD**
  Assistant Scientist, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

### 2021-2022 SOURCE Service-Learning Community Fellows

- **Tiaira Harris**
  Senior Program Manager, Lori’s Hands

- **Jeremy LaMaster**
  Executive Director, FreeState Justice

- **Seth Rosenblatt, MD, MPH**
  Medical Director, Integrated Behavioral Health Dept
  Total Health Care
Students in service-learning courses taught by new and previous Faculty Fellows in the 2021-2022 academic year reported serving approximately 34,954 hours cumulatively, which includes direct service time and time spent working on their projects. 625 students participated in these courses.

**New Service-Learning Course in 2021-22**

“Data Science Baltimore Practicum”
Drs. Michael Rosenblum and Carrie Wright

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**HIV Counseling & Testing Program**

Following a year in which SOURCE’s HIV Counseling and Testing Program was on hold due to the pandemic, the program returned in 2021-2022. SOURCE successfully recruited, trained, and retained 29 students from across the JHU health professional schools, including 13 from BSPH, 6 from SON, and 10 from SOM.

All volunteers completed training in order to become certified by the state of Maryland as HIV counselors, and served as HIV counselors/testers at one of the three participating sites:

- Johns Hopkins Hospital Emergency Dept
- Harriet Lane Clinic
- Baltimore Crisis Response, Inc.

816 hours of service to the community via the HIV Counseling and Testing Program
Baltimore Week 2021

Early each academic year, SOURCE hosts **Baltimore Week**, our annual celebration of the Baltimore community through a social justice lens. In 2021, our series of activities included:

- Canned Food Donation Drive
- Panel: “Community Engagement: Dispelling Myths/Providing Tips”
- “A Concert for the Cosmos” Livestream Performance by Afro House
- Virtual East Baltimore Bus Tour
- Partner Panel: “Engaging Baltimore’s Youth”

National Volunteer Week 2022

In April 2022, SOURCE held its 18th annual **National Volunteer Week** in order to thank and recognize those that gave their time and talent to support Baltimore. Our series of events included:

- SWEET Seminar with the Anna Baetjer Society
- Community Outreach Program Poster Session
- SOURCE Service Scholars Poster Session
- Partner Panel, “Bolstering a Healthy Environment in Baltimore”
- SOURCE Community Service Awards
- Service Day with Thread

SOURCE Introductory Events

Each academic year, SOURCE aims to make current and prospective students aware of the opportunities that exist for impactful community engagement with our partners in Baltimore. SOURCE reaches students through various fairs, orientations and information sessions. In 2021-2022, SOURCE’s Introductory Events included:

- 9 SOURCE Information Sessions
- 8 Orientation Presentations & Activities Fairs
- 6 Accepted Students Presentations
In 2021-2022, SOURCE continued to strengthen its research agenda and scholarly communication. This year, SOURCE faculty and senior fellows contributed original research to public health, nursing, and education fields. Aligned with our SOURCE annual goals, we focused on strengthening our institutional partnerships, evident in the diversity of writing teams represented in our research materials published and presented this year.

**Peer Reviewed Research Articles**


**National Presentations**


Social Justice Initiatives

SOURCE brings intentional social justice orientation into our community engagement and critical service-learning work. Two key approaches were adopted to move social justice priorities into external spaces and directly blend justice reflection and practices into our educational initiatives:

Leveraging institutional partnerships

In alignment with SOURCE annual goals, team members championed social justice principles while serving as representatives on multiple strategic university and school-wide committees including:

- JH Baltimore Community Engagement Program Leaders
- JHU Roadmap on Diversity and Inclusion
- Johns Hopkins Diversity Leadership Council
- JHU Sustainability Council
- SON MSN Curriculum Committee
- SON Teaching and Learning for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- BSPH Baltimore Community Engagement Committee
- BSPH Teaching Council
- BSPH Inclusion, Diversity, Anti-Racism and Equity (IDARE)
- BSPH School-wide Practice Committee
- BSPH HBS Curriculum Committee
- BSPH HBS Life Gets Better Committee
- BSPH HBS Practice Committee
- BSPH HBS Social Justice Masters Program Working Group

Integrating justice into current programming

Team members facilitated justice-oriented learning opportunities within annual activities to highlight concepts of equity and enhance faculty, student and community partner understanding of how health professionals develop a social justice lens for personal growth, professional skills and civic engagement. Highlights from 2021-2022 include:

- SOURCE Service-Learning Academy summer session with faculty and community fellows focused on “Designing and Evaluating Justice-Based Service-Learning”
- SOURCE Partner Panel events focused on “Supporting Baltimore’s LGBTQ Community”, “Promoting Mental Health and Wellbeing in Baltimore”, “Housing, Homelessness and Related Advocacy Efforts in Baltimore” and “Bolstering a Healthy Environment in Baltimore”
- “Conversations for student perspectives on current issues” with SOURCE Student Governing Board representatives consisted of two justice-focused meetings discussing curriculum changes and JHU police force perspectives
- SOURCE Service Scholar Academy sessions focused on “Designing Critical Reflection” and “Exploring Identity, Positionality and Working with Community”
- A range of SOURCE-supported critical service-learning courses in BSPH and SON
Special Thanks

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2021-2022 SOURCE Community Service Award Recipients

Individual Student Awards
Maggie Bartlett - Bloomberg School of Public Health
Jessica Scharmett - School of Nursing
Andrew Lancaster - School of Medicine

Student Group Awards
Anna Baetjer Society - Bloomberg School of Public Health
Latino Medical Student Association - School of Medicine

Faculty Award for Excellence in Service-Learning
Dr. Philip McNab
Bloomberg School of Public Health

Community Mentor Award
Mervin Ruiz
Esperanza Center

Staff Award
Kristen McCormick
Bloomberg School of Public Health

Director's Award
Vanessa Pinkney
SOURCE

Student Groups Who Collaborated With SOURCE in 2021-2022

SOURCE collaborated with numerous student groups across the three Johns Hopkins health professional schools, including organizing donation drives and volunteering with partnering CBOs. Group service activities were not permitted by JHU until April 2022 due to the pandemic. SOURCE would like to thank and recognize the following groups for their outstanding collaboration and community service activities in Baltimore:

Bloomberg School of Public Health
- Anna Baetjer Society
- Public Health Students for Reproductive Justice

School of Nursing
- Black Student Nurses Assoc.
- Fellowship of Christian Nurses
- LGBTQI+ Health Initiative
- Pediatric Interest Group

School of Medicine
- Bamboo Sprouts
- ViSION
- Student National Medical Assoc.

787 hours of service to the community contributed by student groups
Special Thanks

SOURCE Partner Community-Based Organizations

SOURCE partners with over 100 Community-Based Organizations in Baltimore. Thanks to all of you for working with our center, our students, and our faculty and staff. We could not do our work without you! Newest partners who were added in 2021-22 are listed in bold.

2-1-1 Maryland at United Way of Central Maryland
901 Arts
Action in Maturity
AIRS (AIDS Interfaith Residential Services) Inc
Alzheimer’s Association, Greater MD Chapter
Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
American Diabetes Association
American Heart Association (AHA)
Art with a Heart, Inc.
B’More for Healthy Babies
Bmore4Kidz
Baltimore American Indian Center
Baltimore City Department of Social Services
Baltimore City Health Department
Baltimore CONNECT
Baltimore Crisis Response, Inc.
Baltimore Curriculum Project
Baltimore Food Policy Initiative
Baltimore Harm Reduction Coalition
Baltimore Medical System Inc. (BMSI)
Baltimore SquashWise
Banner Neighborhood Community Corporation
Bea Gaddy's Women and Children's Center
Blue Water Baltimore
CASA de Maryland
Charm City Care Connection
Chase Brexton Health Services
Child First Authority
City Springs Elementary/Middle School
City Weeds LLC
Civic Works
Clay Pots
Commodore John Rodgers Elementary/Middle School
Community Law Center
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
Dayspring Programs, Inc.
Elev8 Baltimore
EndsideOut Inc.
Energy Justice Network
Episcopal Refugee and Immigrant Center Alliance (ERICA)
Esperanza Center
Family Recovery Program
Franciscan Center, Inc.
FreeState Justice, Inc.
From Prison Cells to PhD, Inc.
GEDCO
Gilchrist Hospice Care
Good Harvest
Greater Baybrook Alliance
Green & Healthy Homes Initiative
Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake
Hampstead Hill Academy
HealthCare Access Maryland
Health Care for the Homeless
Helping Up Mission
Henderson-Hopkins School
Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition
Hopkins Community Connection
House of Ruth Maryland
Institutes for Behavior Resources, Inc./REACH Program
International Rescue Committee
Intersection of Change
JHUSON COMPASS Center
Julie Community Center
Kennedy Krieger Southeast Early Head Start
Living Classrooms Foundation
Lori’s Hands
Maryland Food Bank, Inc.
Maryland New Directions
MD Citizens Health Initiative/Health Care for All!
MERIT Health Leadership Academy
MissionFit
Moveable Feast
NAMI Metro Baltimore
NCIA Herbert J. Hoelter Vocational Training Center
New Song Community Learning Center
Operation PULSE
Our Daily Bread
Parks & People Foundation
Planned Parenthood of Maryland
Power Inside
Pride Center of Maryland
Pro Bono Resource Center
Project PLASE
Public Justice Center
Reading Partners
Roberta’s House
Shepherd’s Clinic
Sisters Together And Reaching (STAR)
Soccer Without Borders
Southeast Community Development Corporation
SPARC Women’s Center
Strong City Baltimore
Tench Tilghman Elementary/ Middle School
The 6th Branch
The Door
The Family Tree
The Light of Truth Center, Inc.
The Samaritan Women
The Men and Families Center
Thread
Total Health Care
TurnAround, Inc.
Weinberg Housing and Resource Center
Wolfe Street Academy
Youth Opportunity (YO!) Center