



NYU Reynolds/Youth Venture “Be A Changemaker Challenge “

Examples of 2008-09 Seed Grant Winners

REFILL MANAGER

Gideon Platt, CAS

Greg Waldstreicher, University of Maryland

Refill Manager LLC was designed to create a system to facilitate prescription refills and requests in a safe and affordable manner for both patients and physicians. It is a web-based system intended for patients to easily obtain new prescriptions and refills directly from their physicians, and for these prescriptions to be electronically sent directly to the pharmacies of the patients' choice.

Refill Manager has created a full functioning electronic prescribing system within our website for physicians to utilize. This aspect provides a more functional and expeditious method for physicians to facilitate their prescription writing rather than the outdated prescription methodology currently in use, resulting in a marked reduction in morbidities and mortalities due to written prescription errors, a decrease in soaring health care costs by offering a free web-based service to medical practices and their patients and a tremendous convenience to patients and physicians.

Refill300.com is the only free online system that assists doctors and patients in safely refilling their necessary prescriptions. It provides physicians with the means to administer their prescription records. As a result, physicians spend less time and money on their management systems and these savings are passed onto patients. You can learn more at www.refill300.com.

COLLECTIVE GAINS

Mike Fantini, Stern

Sean Goldhammer, CAS

Collective Gains is a membership organization of students and other individuals who seek to reduce global poverty through sustainable measures. Collective Gains promotes the practice of microfinance as an effective poverty reducing tool, and supports microfinance with monetary and social capital. Collective Gains spreads the lessons of microfinance in the NYU community and works to raise money to aid

underprivileged entrepreneurs lift themselves out of poverty. The organization's goals are to increase activism and awareness here at home and also help the lives of less fortunate individuals living abroad.

FIRST AID COMEDY BRIGADE (\$10,000 GRAND PRIZE WINNER)

Ariel Dubov, Steinhardt

Eliza McNitt, Tisch

Zachary Lee, Steinhardt

The First Aid Comedy Brigade is the first student-run movement to provide free comedy shows to children in hospitals around the nation. By marrying existing university comedy improvisation troupes with local children's hospitals, the First Aid Comedy Brigade will recruit hundreds of university chapters (brigades), bringing laughter into the lives of thousands of children while cultivating a culture of helping others among college students around the country.

HIP HOP PROJECT

Alicia Bell, SSW

The Hip Hop Project is a hip-hop afterschool program at a middle school. The first hour is dedicated to schoolwork, and is followed by a 45-minute roundtable discussion based on the history of hip-hop. To finish the day, the young people will break into groups based on the four elements of hip-hop: DJing, MCing, break dancing, and graffiti art. Instead of an internal hierarchy based on age, the hierarchy is based on years active in the program. Hip Hop Project aims to lower drop-out rates, increase student leadership potential, and provide a community by incorporating intergenerational learning.

GLOBAL GOODNESS

Aaron Azpiazu, Steinhardt

John Fredrickson, School of Social Work

Sarah Lynch, CAS

Ria Nair, CAS

Sanna Somalya, CAS

Richa Tandon, Stern

Perry Dubin, CAS

Ross Iosefson, CAS

Mark Mikhly, CAS

Shaina Rubino, CAS

Valerie Stahl, CAS

Global Goodness helps to improve literacy in third world countries by providing educational materials to communities in need. Global Goodness is initially focused on a community called Jamestown, one of Accra's slums, in Ghana. Through a continuous series of literacy projects put on by our organization, we will give children in Jamestown a chance at improving their literacy skills. Based upon the experience gained in Jamestown, Global Goodness will face literacy in third world countries on a greater scale.