Network for College Success Overview

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# Understanding the Problem

- Community-based organizations (CBOs) offer critically important services to aspiring low-income college students.

- Few have been able to create productive partnerships with CUNY colleges and CUNY staff are often unaware of the supports CBOs provide.

- Resources have been used inefficiently, services were duplicated, information was unevenly disseminated, and students suffer from lack of coordinated support.

# Evolution of CBO Partnership Work

- The Network for College Success grew out of:

  - Strive for Success (S4S)

  - The work Graduate NYC has implemented to facilitate collaboration between The City University of New York (CUNY), the New York City Department of Education (NYC DOE), and nonprofit institutions.
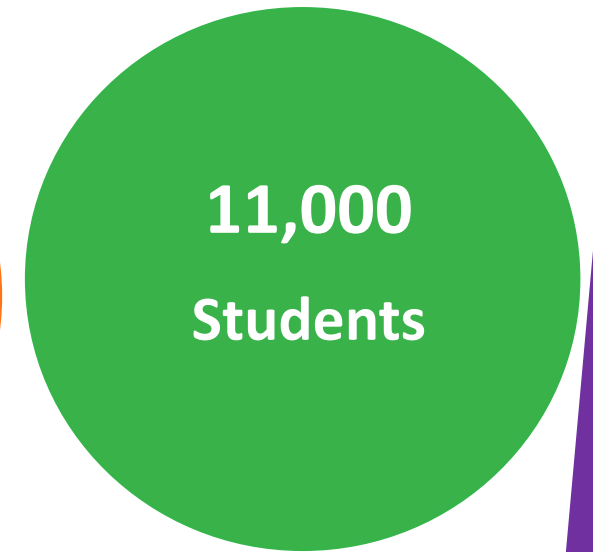
# Network Formation

- The Network is a multi-sector partnership between CBOs, CUNY campuses, and other stakeholders working to streamline support for students.

- It was launched in August 2018 with the aim to significantly increase college persistence and graduation rates in New York City.

# Network Components

- CUNY/ CBO Professional Learning Community

- Campus Connections

- Real Time Student-Level Data

- Feedback Opportunities

# Network Partners Served & Impacted

**65**
**Community-Based Organizations**

**15**
**Undergraduate CUNY Campuses**

**350**
**Professionals**

**11,000**
**Students**

❖ 11,000 students impacted through the 25 organizations participating in the data share

# 2018-2019 Network Achievements

- Created a general CBO code in CUNYFirst as well as a code for each organization

- Piloted our student-level data share in January & June with 25 CBO partners

- Created a CUNY-N4CS Listserv as a place to share information and increase communication with over 380 CBO and CUNY staff

# Initial Responses to the Network

- "Since becoming a Network partner, we have been able to create an outreach strategy for our students based on their performance in school. Grouping students by their performance, we are able to adjust from a reactive approach to a preventative strategy: informing students how to protect their GPAs to avoid academic probation or how to balance semester-by-semester course loads to graduate within a reasonable time frame."

- "OneGoal found that being a part of the Network was tremendously impactful in our support of students. The ability to use data to inform our approach to individual students allowed for more nuanced support. The Campus Champions have also been a beneficial gateway for support for students at individual campuses."

# Network Growth for 2019-2020

- Require 2x yearly data conversations

  - N4CS will invest in building the capacity of its partners. It will train organizations to draw inferences from their data, enabling them to ask better questions, and use data with a focus on equity.

- Create a graduation report

- Develop a Database

- Grow the Networks resources & materials

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