

Cookie Gant Leadership Development Fund

Cookie Gant was a disability activist, a performance artist, a powerful raiser of consciousness, a relentless supporter of diversity in every part of life, and a loyal and perceptive friend. Her passing was an irreplaceable loss in all of our lives.

One of Cookie's goals was to help other disability activists experience conferences and other leadership development opportunities that would make them more effective in the movement. Connections for Community Leadership and Michigan Disability Rights Coalition has created a scholarship fund in memory of Cookie to achieve her goal.

Funds can be used for leadership development opportunities such as conference, trainings, workshops, and retreats. The opportunities must further the mission and vision of CCL and MDRC and are subject to prior approval. Funds may be used for travel expenses, attendance fees, lodging, and other expenses that are a barrier to attending the leadership opportunity.

To be eligible for funds, you must:

- Reside in Michigan
- Be a person with a disability (any age)
- Be involved in systems change efforts
- Not be supported by agency funds (not employed at an advocacy agency)

To request an application call us toll-free at 1-866-532-2669 or email us at leadership@prosynergy.org. You can also download the application and criteria at <http://www.copower.org/mdrc/cookiecriteria.htm>.

Connections for
Community
Leadership



What we offer...

▶ **Leadership Database**

▶ **We Lead Curriculum**

▶ **CONNECT**

▶ **Proud & Powerful**

▶ **Leadership Model**

▶ **Support & TA**

▶ **Informed Communities**

"I feel fortunate that CCL is an available resource to assist me in being the kind of leader and member of the disability community that I strive to be."

~ Laura Hall

**Words from those
who have been
supported by the
Cookie Gant
Leadership
Development Fund**

"CCL has helped me consider ways to strategize about leadership in an integrated forum that isn't limited to a segregated community."

~ Ian Engle



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