

HOMES FIRST: STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE YOUTH EMPOWERMENT POST COVID-19

APRIL 6. 9-10:30 A.M. ET

#YOUTH2030

MODERATOR



Jim Claffey is the coordinator of the Vincentian Family's International Commission to Promote Systemic Change and is the NGO representative of the Congregation of the Mission at the UN concentrating on the issues of global homelessness, migration and poverty.

Adam Kiedrowski is a junior at Niagara University pursuing a double major in History and Political Science where his University Honors Thesis focuses on youth homelessness.

Luke Donner is a junior at Niagara University majoring in Political Science, International Studies, and History. He plans to pursue an advanced degree in international relations and to work in foreign relations for the U.S. Government or at an international organization.



Dave Reilly, Ph.D, is chair of the Political Science Department and Director of International Studies at Niagara University. He is a faculty advisor for the Justice Houses Living and Learning Community.



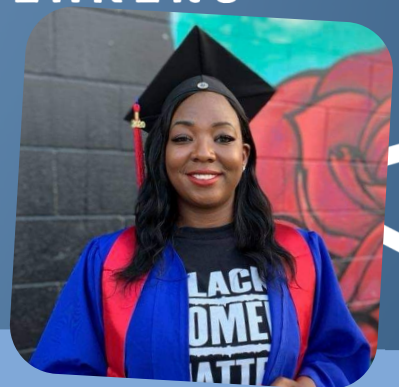
YOUTH SPEAKERS



Marie Nelly Yasmine Cajuste is a native Haitian serving as the Project Development Manager for the FamVin Homeless Alliance.



Dennis Lobgori is a young Kenyan man who survived street homelessness and has persevered in taking charge of his life.



Carolyn Love is a recent alum of the Chicago Dax Program and graduated with a degree in Business Administration from DePaul University in 2020. She is currently working full-time as an Appraisal Coordinator in Chicago, Illinois and is a licensed real estate broker.

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This 2021 UN Youth Forum side event will include and amplify the voices of youth who are experiencing homelessness, present research from students at Niagara University, New York and offer recommendations leading to advocacy efforts around homelessness and the impact of COVID-19.