Our New Staff

Phoojywg Moua works in Community Power Building and as a Statewide Policy Advocate. He does civic engagement, leadership development, and legislative policy work.

Mahnker Dahnweih is our Community Power Building Coordinator, working across Black, Hmong, and Khmer programming to build a culturally vibrant civic engagement program.

Hope Yang is our new Program Support Specialist who assists with programming and direct services. She began at Freedom, Inc. as an intern after graduating from UW-Madison.

Join one of our groups:

Our anti-violence work includes culturally specific one-on-one support, case management, advocacy, and weekly support groups. Some of our culturally specific programs are:

- Black Girls Matter for Black girls
- Debra’s Love for Black women and seniors
- Freemen for Southeast Asian boys
- Freethinkers for Black adult education and liberation
- Khmer Ankor Dance Group for Cambodian youth
- Khmer Women’s Healing for Khmer women elders
- Lotus Youth Group for Cambodian youth
- Nkaauj Hmoob for Southeast Asian girls
- PLUS (People Like Us) for queer youth of color
- Rhythm for Freedom dance program for boys of color
- Viv Ncaus art and dance program for Hmong girls
- Wisdom Project for Hmong women elders

For any help regarding gender or domestic violence please call us at 608-416-5337 or the Hmong domestic line 1-877-740-4292

Contact Us

(608) 416-5337
1810 S. Park Street
Madison, WI 53715

www.Freedom-inc.org
www.facebook.com/AboutFreedomInc

“We have no place to go. How are we supposed to live? How are we supposed to be human beings?”
- Plia Thao

Madison’s Hmong and Khmer communities were heartbroken by the news that funding was cut for Kajsiab House, a mental health and community facility for refugees and veterans. Freedom, Inc. worked with community members to protest this decision. Many of our elders shared their stories at hearings of the City of Madison Common Council, and a resolution was passed to help Kajsiab House stay open until Dec. 2018. The fight continues to find a new home for this vital facility.

17th Annual Health Day BBQ, 5K & Tournaments

Thanks to everyone who support us during our yearly celebration and BBQ. It was our biggest yet! We added spades and UNO tournaments in addition to running, basketball, volleyball, dance, and chess.

www.freedom-inc.org  |  608-416-5337  |  1810 S. Park St. Madison WI 53713
STILL WE RISE: Black Survivors Banquet

We were very honored to award 20 survivors from our community and recognize Black women throughout the state who lost their lives to domestic violence at this special event.

Community Power Building Gets Voters to the Polls

Our Community Power Building (CPB) team helped over 100 voters get to the polls and let their voices be heard in the midterm elections! Under the leadership of Mahnika Dahnweih, our team also worked as poll observers, knocked on doors, canvassed, and held phone banks to answer voting questions. Many were first-time voters who had never had the chance to vote before.

Youth of Color Demand #NoCopsinSchools

Our Freedom Youth Squad spoke out at the school district board meeting, demanding an end to the criminalization of Black and Brown students through ending the contract that pays for cops in Madison schools. They also participated in Dignity in Schools National Week of Action Against School Push Out, organizing four events with at least 300 hundred people in attendance.

Lotus Youth

Khmer youth have been busy visiting sites throughout Madison as part of a lesson on how they belong, and how they have the same rights as everyone else. They have also spent the fall learning about domestic violence, the importance of voting, and how to love themselves and be confident and safe.

Halloween Dance Battle

The Freedom Youth Squad held a Haunted Halloween All Stylez Dance Battle at the Goodman Community Center, with youth as young as 10 years old competing for trophies. Youth leader Peyton Yang organized the event that promoted intergenerational celebration and showcased all our youth talent.