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More Than Bootstraps Participates in National First-Generation Celebration

PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY – November 6, 2020 - **More Than Bootstraps**, a New Jersey non-profit, is thrilled to participate in the annual <u>National First-Generation Celebration</u>!

November 8, 2020, marks the 55th anniversary of the signing of the 1965 Higher Education Act, which has helped millions of first-generation, low-income/under-resourced students persist to degree completion. This celebration was launched by the <u>Council for Opportunity for Education</u> and the <u>Center for First-Generation Student Success</u>.

During the week, many organizations celebrate the success of first-generation college students and offer programming to help communities better understand the systemic barriers plaguing higher education. At More Than Bootstraps, our Leader Fellows (current college students) and our High School Fellows (current high school students) will mark the annual National First-Generation Celebration Day by gathering (remotely) to share stories of challenges, resilience, and success. Our Leaders will be cementing their bonds with their younger peers while also sharing personal reflections about their first-generation journeys to college.

#CelebrateFirstGen

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ABOUT MORE THAN BOOTSTRAPS

More Than Bootstraps is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping first-generation students access and succeed in higher education. MTB builds on the strengths and resources of first-generation college students, the majority of whom are students of color from low-income communities. Students in More Than Bootstraps will succeed not just through their individual efforts and grit but through their membership in and contribution to a peer community, engaged in a shared enterprise focused on success in getting to and succeeding in college.

More Than Bootstraps is a 501(c)3 organization, Tax ID 83-2245008.





