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## LISC's Rubinger Fellowship Includes RVA Leader

The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) has named nine dynamic community leaders as winners of the 2019 [Michael Rubinger Community Fellowship](#) award, including one nominated by the Virginia LISC office!

Damon Jiggetts, executive director of Peter Paul Development Center, was Virginia LISC's nominee for the 2019 fellowship and we are excited to share that he will participate in the 2019 cohort. "The Rubinger Fellowship will support the creation of a transportation system for Richmond area youth. Access to quality out of school time services heighten their learning experiences, while in safe environments. I look forward to providing our children, parents and partners with a safe and affordable transportation system to and from out of school time programs," Damon said of his Rubinger project an participation.



Damon Jiggetts, Virginia LISC's nominee for the 2019 Michael Rubinger Fellowship. *Photo credit: Josh Kohanek*

The year-long fellowship includes a \$40,000 grant to each awardee to fund new research, toolkits and models that improve the quality of life in American communities. This year's cohort will focus on wide range of concerns, from disaster recovery and incarceration to small business development, domestic violence and youth empowerment.

“This is a remarkable group of innovators and thought-leaders,” said Maurice A. Jones, LISC president and CEO. “We want to give them the chance to explore creative ideas for impact in their own communities, while fueling economic opportunity across the country and developing as leaders in their fields.”

To learn more about Damon's project and the other 2019 fellows, [click here](#).

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