

Dekywan Debose



Dekywan Debose is a charismatic & passionate young man originally from the Motor City (Detroit, MI). At the age of five his family moved to Sanford, FL.

While in elementary school he discovered his love for music and public speaking. He was one of the youngest students at the Tajiri School of Performing Arts & Academics and was a finalist in the Optimist International Oratorical Contest.

After graduating from Lake Mary High School he attended Florida A&M University where he received his Bachelor's degree in Broadcast Journalism. While in college he was an anchor for the award winning five o'clock newscast on FAMU TV-20. He was also a writer for the FAMUAN and WANM 90.5. At the end of his college career he received a College AP award for his documentary on the BP oil spill. He is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ).

During his transition into the workforce Dekywan was afforded the opportunity to work with the Florida Housing Counselor Network and Florida Weatherization Network as their communications specialist. During this time he was able to travel throughout the state while working with several prominent government officials.

Dekywan's passion for music and video editing has continued to grow throughout the years. He is the CEO of Muszeeqli-Urs Inc., a company that specializes in video and music production. This has given him the opportunity to travel the country and meet some amazing people.

Dekywan has been working with youth for over 7 years. His journey began as a group leader at East Hill Day Camp in Tallahassee then transitioned to Disc Village, a residential facility for juvenile drug offenders. This experience gave him the opportunity to work with delinquent youth with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders. After several years in this position, he was promoted to the position of Lead Therapeutic Assistant.

Dekywan is currently employed with the Florida Department of Health in Leon County. He serves as the Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) Coordinator. SWAT is Florida's statewide youth organization to mobilize, educate, and equip Florida youth to revolt against and de-glamorize Big Tobacco.

Dekywan is extremely excited about continuing to work with youth and joining in the fight against tobacco.