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“The harmful effect of denying young people access to education is not a problem that exists in some other space or time; if nothing is done, my children, my family, and my community stand to be affected.”

Candace Moore is a dedicated civil rights attorney advocating for educational equity through a lens of racial and social justice at the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. She was instrumental in the Chicago Lawyers' Committee's re-launch of the Educational Equity Project. Candace's work has focused on organizing legal advocacy resources to address disparate school discipline and barriers to enrollment for students throughout Chicago and its surrounding communities. As a next generation civil rights advocate, she believes that it is imperative for members of the legal community to work in partnership with community-based reformers and institutional policy makers to achieve sustainable and meaningful solutions.



Candace's dedication to public service and advocacy is fueled by her own trials and triumphs and the countless stories of people who continue to be unfairly met with systemic barriers. Whether serving as a case manager for adults with disabilities at the Association for Individual Development or a Community Education Manager at the Illinois Council Against Handgun Violence, Candace's past professional experiences have ignited a passion to be intentional in her work and created an unrelenting desire to be an agent of change.

She is an alumna of the inaugural Surge Fellowship cohort and is a proud graduate of both Loyola University Chicago's undergraduate program and the School of Law (J.D.'13). Beyond her formal education, Candace engages in thought leadership and advocacy surrounding her deep commitment to empowering young people to develop their own voice and be their own agents of change. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Freedom School and on the Emerging Leaders Board of Mikva Challenge.

Candace lives and works in Chicago, yet always carries in her heart her hometown of Aurora, IL.