

Francoise Cham
Mother of BreakthroughU Scholar, Maya Douyon

Francoise Cham has been an active member of the Breakthrough Miami community for more than four years. While her daughter grows into an academically confident and civically-minded youth leader, Cham is generously giving of her time and treasure. She actively assists with student recruitment efforts, is often involved in our parent lead initiatives, willingly provides mentorship to other Breakthrough parents, and actively shares community resources/opportunities with program leads.

Her civic work with Catalysts Miami, which focuses on Affordable Housing, Medicaid expansion, and Climate Justice, leads her to the annual Miami-DADE County Days at the state capital to advocate on behalf of low-income families. As a member of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' Parent Advisors Council (PAC), she is working on initiatives to stymie the school-to-prison pipeline and improving housing affordability. Within her faith-based community, Coral Gables Congressional Church, she sits on the social Justice board.

When not advocating for the needs of the most vulnerable, she substitutes teaches at Frances S. Tucker and Olinda Elementary School and/or managing at Caribe Works, an International Logistics and Transportation Company.

