



## 2026 Bold Path Fellow - Research Triangle Region



**Mikal Ali**

**EDUCATION:**



**Bees for Development Ghana**  
2024 – 2025



**Hillside High School**  
2019 – 2023

Mikal Ali is an entrepreneur and beekeeper for sustainable development, leading Blossoms Village, a mission-driven initiative focused on sustainable honey production, education, and community power. His work is rooted in creating opportunities for young people to connect with the land, learn valuable skills, and see themselves as leaders and change-makers.

As a spoken word artist, break dancer, and educator, Mikal uses storytelling and media to share African-centered knowledge, environmental awareness, and economic opportunity. Through his work, he is committed to creating pathways for youth development, entrepreneurship, and global impact, with a strong connection to Ghana.

# Blossoms Village

Blossoms Village is an international beekeeping education and youth development program based in Durham, North Carolina. The program provides agricultural training, youth beekeeper certifications, and paid stipends while connecting students with beekeepers and farmers in both North Carolina and Ghana. Through beekeeping, the initiative links environmental stewardship, entrepreneurship, and cultural identity.

*“Receiving this award means the world to me. It reflects not only the work I’ve done, but the opportunity I’ve had to serve others and contribute meaningfully to the Durham community. I’m so very proud that my efforts have created an impact people can feel deeply, and even more grateful that this recognition brings resources and mentorship to grow the impact we work so very hard to create. This is not just an achievement for me, it’s fuel to continue building a stronger future for Durham.”*

