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Project A.B.L.E.

Project A.B.L.E. (Asset Building Leads to Excellence) is a community based youth empowerment and prevention program. The goal of Project A.B.L.E. is to reduce risk factors associated with teen pregnancy, delinquency, school failure and substance abuse by strengthening protective factors and increasing positive decision making skills through multiple innovative youth development interventions. The project utilizes the Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets as the framework for the program design.

Services/Activities:

- Provide participants with group and individual counseling sessions
- Provide participants with conflict resolution training
- Provide participants with education on Teen Pregnancy Prevention
- Provide participants with career development and employability skills
- Engage in community service and outreach projects
- Provides youth with homework and tutorial assistance
- Provides parenting skills workshops
- Provides family bonding activities
- Provides educational, cultural and leadership field trips

Target Groups:

Youth, ages 10-16 residing in the 33311 & 33313 zip codes and/or attending William Dandy, Plantation or Arthur Ashe Middle Schools

Benefits:

- Increased school attendance.
- Improved academic performance.
- Demonstration of positive social behaviors.
- Increased parental involvement in child's development.

Funded By:

Children Services Council of Broward County

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Center of Excellence

The Center of Excellence (COE), also known as National Achievers Society (NAS), is a community-based education support program designed to promote, encourage and motivate minority youth to explore and develop their full potential through academic achievement, self-awareness, career development and civic & community responsibility.

Services/Activities:

- Provides youth with homework & tutorial assistance
- Provides youth with cultural and educational field trips
- Provides youth with SAT preparation workshops
- Provides youth with supplemental education services

Target Groups:

Academically high-achieving elementary and secondary students, grades 3-11.

Benefits:

- Provides participants with Youth Leadership Training sessions
- Participation in the Black History & Cultural Brain Bowl Competitions
- Induction into the Nation Achievers Society
- Youth participants are engaged in community service projects
- Provides exposure to secondary education through college tours

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- A.D. Henderson Foundation
- Comcast Foundation
- Florida Education Fund
- United Way of Broward County, Inc.

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Project EMBRACE/ New D.A.Y.

Diversion Alternatives for Youth

Project EMBRACE/ New DAY is a youth diversion program for male and female youth, ages 8 to 18. The project serves youth who are referred by the State Attorney's Office. The project provides an opportunity for youth to reconnect to their community through community group conferences with trained community volunteers and staff, weekly life management classes, restorative community service, social and cultural enrichment.

Services/ Activities:

- Community Group Conferencing
- Community Restoration Activities
- Life Management Workshops
- Victim Advocacy
- Restitution
- Individual and Family Case Management
- Social Skills Development

Target Group:

Youth, ages 8-17, Referred by State Attorney's Office

Benefits:

- Demonstration of responsibility and victim awareness.
- Citizen ownership of criminal justice system.
- Victim participation.
- Improved academic performance.
- Re-entry of offenders into community.
- Demonstration of positive social behaviors.

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Project S.A.P.

Project Substance Abuse Prevention is a community-based and science-based afterschool substance abuse prevention program. Project SAP employs the Life Skills curriculum to heighten and increase youth awareness of the dangers of using and or selling drugs, drinking alcohol and smoking. The program combines academics and the arts to foster character building and to teach participants about the importance of being drug-free.

Services/Activities:

- Provide participants with cultural activities and performing arts
- Provide participants with substance abuse education
- Participants engage in community service and outreach projects
- Provides youth with homework and tutorial assistance
- Provides social skills development
- Home and school visits
- Provides educational, cultural and leadership field trips
- Recreation

Target Groups:

Youth, grades 3rd—12th.

Sites: Rock Island Elementary, Walker Elementary School
Dillard Elementary School, Dillard High School

Benefits:

- Youth participants will increase school attendance
- Youth participants will improve academic performance
- Youth will demonstrate positive social behaviors
- Increased parental involvement in child's development

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Crime Prevention & Intervention

Crime Prevention and Intervention is a community based initiative designed to inform, educate and assist the public on methods of reducing the rate of juvenile crime. With a wide array of services, the program serves as a deterrent to youth who are at risk of embarking on a life of crime.

Services/Activities:

- Provide community outreach
- Provide teen summits
- Provide parenting skills workshops
- Provide tutorial assistance
- Provides group counseling sessions
- Provides first time offenders workshops
- Participation in the Youth Advisory Committee
- Educational and cultural field trips

Target Groups:

Youth ages 10-18

Benefits:

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