

## \$157,000 in Fourth Quarter Grants Awarded To Local Nonprofits Through the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund

More than \$500,000 in grants given to 55 nonprofits in 2012

DEERFIELD BEACH, Fla. – Through the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund, a McCormick Foundation Fund, \$157,000 in fourth quarter grants was recently distributed to 19 nonprofit organizations in Broward and Palm Beach counties. In 2012, through the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund, a total of \$522,000 was awarded to 55 nonprofit organizations in Broward and Palm Beach counties. Since 1991, nearly \$40 million has been granted through the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund to support programs that move low-income children and families to self-sufficiency.

The McCormick Foundation matches all donations at fifty cents on the dollar. In addition, all administrative costs are covered by the Sun Sentinel and the McCormick Foundation, allowing 100% of all donations, plus the match, to directly support these invaluable programs and services.

"The Sun Sentinel and McCormick Foundation share a commitment to addressing the growing needs of our local communities," said David Hiller, president and CEO of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation. "Thanks to the generous donors and readers, we are able to support these amazing community organizations working tirelessly to improve the lives of underserved youth, adults and families across South Florida."

"Newspapers build a sense of community and the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund has taken that one step further, supporting the great work our nonprofits do day in and day out," said Sun Sentinel President, Publisher and CEO Howard Greenberg. "These grants are possible because of the generosity of our readers, and I'm proud of the progress we've made working together."

The Sun Sentinel Children's Fund appreciates the support of Children's Services Council of Broward County, JM Family Enterprises, Publix Super Markets and AutoNation. Their sponsorship further ensures that local children have the opportunities they need to realize their full potential, achieve their hopes and dreams, while being supported by a nurturing family and community.

Agencies that received fourth grants from the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund and a description of the programs funded are listed below:

- 1. Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County received \$5,000 for their Youth Educational Success (YES) program, a comprehensive academic success initiative that combines six different components to meet the educational needs of at-risk youth.
- **2. Broward Education Foundation, Inc.** received \$8,000 for general support to offer scholarships, teacher grants, classroom supplies and video conference technology to pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and teachers.
- **3. Broward Performing Arts Foundation** received \$8,000 for the Learning Through the Arts Program, an arts-integrated program that connects theater performances to classroom activities.
- 4. Community Child Care Center of Delray Beach received \$5,000 for general support to offer afterschool, extended day and teen programs, along with a full-time summer camp and parent resource center, for low-income families.
- **5. Family Central** received \$7,000 for the Parents as Teachers program, designed to ensure that young, at-risk children are healthy and safe through home visits, heath and developmental screenings for children and a resource network for parents.
- 6. Florence Fuller Child Development Center received \$10,000 for general support to provide childcare, nutrition, health and wellness, education and positive parenting programs to low-income youth.
- 7. Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Broward County received \$5,000 for the Nurturing Parenting program, which reduces the risk factors for child abuse and neglect and improves protective factors for parents and their young children by providing group therapy sessions and home visits.
- 8. Here's Help received \$10,000 for general support to provide substance abuse rehabilitation, residential treatment and aftercare services to low-income youth and adults ages 13-25.
- **9. Hispanic Unity of Florida** received \$8,000 for the Unity For Teens Youth Development program, which provides academic support, tutoring, community service opportunities and case management for low-income youth.
- 10.Impact Broward received \$5,000 for the Foster Grandparent program,

which trains senior volunteers to tutor and mentor children.

- **11.Junior Achievement Worldwide of Palm Beach** received \$5,000 for the JA Graduation Pathways program, which aims to address risk factors and key drivers of middle and high school dropout rates by providing in-school services to middle and high schools in Palm Beach County.
- **12. Jack & Jill Children's Center** received \$15,000 for the Family Strengthening program, which provides intensive parent education, support services and individual and family therapy to decrease the risk of abuse and neglect.
- **13.Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition** received \$5,000 for the Village Readers Family Education program, which provides adult and child literacy instruction, parenting classes and family reading activities.
- **14.Salvation Army of Broward County** received \$5,000 for the Yes Kids Can! Education and Enrichment program serving homeless school age children and teens living in two Salvation Army family shelters. The program provides social and academic activities, tutoring, life skills instruction and leadership skills.
- **15.SOS Children's Villages** received \$8,000 for Children Achieve, a program providing on-site tutoring and academic enrichment activities to help at-risk children overcome educational barriers, complete high school and continue towards post-secondary education.
- **16.Urban League of Broward County** received \$15,000 for general support to provide youth development, employment training and placement, afterschool programs and community empowerment classes to lowincome youth.
- **17.Urban League of Palm Beach County** received \$8,000 for the Center of Excellence: National Achievers Society program, which provides mentors, tutoring, academic competitions and community service projects for low-income students.
- **18.Women of Tomorrow Mentor and Scholarship Program** received \$5,000 for the Mentoring Program, providing mentoring sessions, career-focused field trips and specialized college campus visits to at-risk teenage girls.
- **19. Youth Automotive and Training Center** received \$20,000 for general support, offering basic automotive repair training and job readiness classes for low-income youth.

## About the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund

The Sun Sentinel Children's Fund, a fund of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, is committed to supporting programs that move low-income children and families to self-sufficiency. Since 1991, through the Fund, more than 2,300 grants totaling nearly \$40 million have been awarded to

local nonprofit organizations serving Broward and Palm Beach counties. To learn more about the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund, visit sunsentinelchildrensfund.org

The McCormick Foundation matches all donations to the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund at 50 cents on the dollar. With the Sun Sentinel and the Foundation paying all campaign and administrative expenses, 100 percent of all donations, plus the match is granted to qualified nonprofit organizations.

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