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### CHARITY INTENDED FUND USE REPORT

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**CHARITY NAME:** Education Foundation of Palm Beach County

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://educationfoundationpbc.org/>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$150,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** We are currently serving approximately 35,000 of the 200,000 students in Palm Beach County Public Schools through our programs.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** We are estimating that with your generous support we will be able to reach approximately 50,000 of the 200,000 students in Palm Beach County Public Schools. We will continue to work toward the goal of serving EVERY student in our schools.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We are planning to use the funds from the Great Charity Challenge to Support the items listed below. Please note that these are estimated amounts and final amounts may vary, however, the funds will support what we've detailed in our plan.

1. Red Apple Supplies (RAS):

**Estimated Amount \$12,000**

- Our plan is to hire a Part Time Support Staff as soon as possible that will be able to help us with further expanding our immense growth since starting this program less than two years ago. In doing so we would be able to serve additional schools, teachers, and students in the county. We currently have one full time staff member, our Red Apple Supplies Manager that runs the entire operation of RAS on his own, with the support of volunteers. Having a part time support staff will greatly help us build capacity and increase our ability to serve the needs of the Schools, Teachers, and Students who most needs support.

- Find information regarding this program below:

The 2017-2018 school year has gotten off to a tremendous start! The Education Foundation of Palm Beach County (EFPBC) is excited to have successfully completed its second calendar year (2017) of a free school supply and resource store, called Red Apple Supplies (RAS), serving Palm Beach County public schools. This resource store provides teachers free supplies throughout the school year for their economically disadvantaged students attending schools designated as Title 1 (based on the school's percentage of free/reduced price lunch eligible students). To meet the most urgent need in our district as quickly as possible, RAS currently targets schools where over 95% of the children receive free meals;



our long-term goal is to serve all public schools across the entire county where 70% or more of the children receive free and reduced lunch.

We planned for Red Apple Supplies to be serving 28 of the 33 schools that have a 95% and above Free and Reduced Lunch rate in the 2017-2018 school year. This year we have already met that goal. To date, 32 schools shop at Red Apple Supplies (RAS). 14 schools are registered as full shops, 17 schools are registered as one-rep shops, and we have one school that we conduct mobile distribution or pop up shops for due to their location. We have had 187 teachers participate in 254 shops reaching approximately 15,000 students already this year as of December 19, 2017 and we originally projected when we submitted our application this fall that we would serve closer to 13,000 students.

To date, over \$160,000.00 in supplies (value of supplies) has been distributed to teachers and students in Palm Beach County Schools through Red Apple Supplies this school year alone, and we have the rest of the school year to go!

We've had 162 volunteers who have donated 715 volunteer hours since August 1 of this year thru January 6, 2018 and those numbers are steadily increasing as we get additional requests to volunteer at Red Apple Supplies for the spring.

We planned on having a "Pop-Up" shop in Belle Glade, in the heart of the Glades community, the last week in September 2017 where we planned to bring Red Apple Supplies to the Glades, which is one of the most challenged areas in Palm Beach County. Due to Hurricane Irma, we did a mobile distribution instead, where we delivered over \$52,000 in school supplies to some of the schools and areas that were hardest hit by the hurricane. These schools also served as shelter schools or FEMA sites during the storm.

This year we planned to expand the number of supply drives in the community to increase our inventory at Red Apple Supplies. Last year we had 26 successful supply drives. This year we have already had 49 successful supply drives and have partnered with the Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce Education Committee who is hosting a supply drive for us in January 2018. We will continue to work with the community to plan additional supply drives throughout this year.

## 2. GoTeach! Classroom Grants:

### **Estimated Amount: \$55,000**

- Through your support we will be able to fund our innovative classroom grant program fully or partially for the 2018-2019 school year depending on the number of applicants received. We have the opportunity to use your funds to apply for a matching grant provided by the Consortium of Florida Education Foundations (CFEF). In doing so, we will be able to serve more teachers and support innovation and creativity in the classroom in order to improve teacher quality and student achievement through STEM Education, Improving Reading, Math, etc...
- Find information regarding this program below:



Teachers who apply for classroom grants share that they struggle to secure funding to create special projects that promote interactive learning among their students. They want to bring ideas and exploration into the classroom environment, encouraging more critical thinking and problem-solving approaches to learning. Even the youngest students needing encouragement in reading and other basic skills benefit from the personalized approach that only a teacher can design based on his or her students and their individual learning styles.

Grant reports consistently tell us these projects increase student interest and performance as expected. Additionally, teachers stress the need to propose projects that fund specific materials, equipment or instruments students need when other funds do not allow such expenses. These independent and often innovative classroom grants can enrich a teacher's required curriculum or provide the avenue for entirely new classroom approaches or pilot projects.

The Education Foundation of Palm Beach County GoTeach! Classroom Grants encourage educators to create innovative and exciting educational opportunities for their students. GoTeach! Grants focus on these priority areas: Literacy, Career Education and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics). The typical GoTeach! Grant ranges from \$275 for individual teacher proposals to \$1,275 for team proposals. Once the grant application is submitted it is reviewed by the Education Foundation's board members and other community leaders. Classroom grants are awarded in the fall, and grantees are required to submit results, photos, and a summary of how the funds were used at the end of the school year.

The grants and the proposal process itself are evaluated annually for providing effective learning projects to our students. Not only are the grants assessed for educational impact, but grant access and participation are also addressed.

In recognition of teachers and their extraordinary effort to bring exciting knowledge and projects to their students, GoTeach! Classroom Grants are awarded in a presentation where teachers are applauded among their peers and administrative leaders. This new event was very meaningful to our teachers, as the ceremony provided a venue for the community to show its appreciation for our educators.

Here are a few examples of the GoTeach! Classroom Program Highlights/Project Descriptions for the 2017-2018 school year:

Project Name: Creative Cookbook

Project Summary: "Creative Cookbook" will provide special needs students with hands-on learning opportunities to gain Science, Math, and Language/Literacy enrichment. This will be accomplished by following recipes in the "Creative Cookbook" and creating their own edible treats.

Program Updates: "The Creative Cookbook is turning out to be an amazing experience for my students and for me as an educator! The joy that I am seeing on my students faces makes me feel so grateful that I am able to provide these hands-on lessons for my students. We are integrating every subject, especially literacy in each lesson by building vocabulary, the love of reading, and creating a purpose for writing. In a short time, I am



already noticing that my students are putting thoughts into sentences with more ease as they write about the cooking projects. They are also recalling vocabulary and American Sign Language (ASL) as the same utensils or materials are needed, such as a large spoon, mixing bowl and egg. As of this time, I have not purchased the materials needed to put the cookbooks together, but I will be doing that soon. I am creating power point presentations to go along with all of my lessons and I am thinking about printing them out to include in the cookbooks in order to provide written English vocabulary with real photographs, as well as including some of the ASL. We will continue to create one recipe per month, unless I am able to include an additional one or two. I am confident that the students will continue to embrace these experiences and that their families will be thrilled to see their final projects in the spring". Stacey Greenberg (teacher)

Project Name: Little Einsteins

Project Summary: "Little Einsteins" will give young students the opportunity to explore, design, build, collaborate in teams, and challenge themselves to think deeper, through the use of a S.T.E.M. Center.

Project Name: Pet Wellness Leads to Career Readiness

Project Summary: "Pet Wellness Leads to Career Readiness" will allow students to conduct wellness checks on animals brought in for pet washes by expanding the pet-wash area within South Tech Academy's existing career academy. This would include a patient intake area where students can use general veterinary clinical equipment to role play patient evaluations on pets.

Project Name: Using ELISA to Save the Giant Pandas

Project Summary: "Using ELISA to Save the Giant Pandas" will provide students in Biotechnology classes opportunities to expand their knowledge of ELISA (Enzyme-Linked ImmunoSorbant Assay). Students will get additional practice in using an antibody/antigen test to understand the use, and applications of, the ELISA in the Biotechnology workplace.

Project Name: We All STEAM for Ice Cream

Project Summary: "We ALL STEAM for Ice Cream" will provide students the opportunity to develop a school-based enterprise in the form of a frozen dessert bar. This project will demonstrate how to establish an innovative small business model that will assist students in gaining career skills and solutions, to the challenges they face in becoming capable members of the future.

Project Name: Improving Environmental Awareness and Functional Skills

Among Students with Autism Through Science and Math

Project Summary: "Improving Environmental Awareness and Functional Skills Among Students with Autism Through Science and Math" will provide students opportunities to develop awareness about nature and preservation, by growing an eco-friendly organic garden and caring for it in a responsible way.

Project Name: Climbing the Ladder to Literacy: One Step at a Time

Project Summary: "Climbing the Ladder to Literacy: One Step at a Time" will help students, especially those



with fine and gross motor impairments, to develop literacy skills through the use of technology, by using iPads, Adobe Connect Software, and specialized learning apps which will be customized for each student.

3. We are in the process of creating a new program that we would like to start this year in partnership with the District that would support over 4,300 students in Palm Beach County Public Schools who are homeless. In addition, this program would support students in foster care and children of migrant farm workers. All of these children are receiving a free education, however, these students aren't able to participate in extra-curricular activities due to cost of uniforms, field trips, registration fees, etc... With your support, this new program we are developing would provide students the financial support that is essential in order to participate in sports, art, music, Student Government, and other enrichment activities that will give them invaluable opportunities to succeed outside of the classroom, ultimately enhancing their educational experiences.

**Estimated Amount: \$5,000**

4. Presenting Sponsor for the Distinguished Leadership Luncheon:

**Estimated Amount: \$20,000**

Find information regarding this program below:

*The Distinguished Alumni & Leadership Awards* is a day to celebrate Palm Beach County public education and the alumni who now shape our world. More than 500 philanthropic partners, business leaders and educators will gather to hear success stories of our teachers and students in the 10<sup>th</sup> largest school district in the state of Florida through programs supported by The Education Foundation of Palm Beach County.

The Distinguished Alumni & Leadership Awards luncheon is the ideal opportunity to recognize Palm Beach County schools' alumni and community leaders for their significant contribution and inspiration to education and hope for students' future dreams. We feel this is a unique opportunity to not only showcase significant contributions to the community of our Palm Beach County public school graduates, but also to serve as an inspiration to others. Through this program we are able to ignite energy and enthusiasm for elevating Palm Beach County system of public education to one of the top in the country. This luncheon helps us to continue to build our brand and serves as a resource to elevate public education in our county through opportunities to increase volunteerism, internships, programming and funding source for the Education Foundation of Palm beach County and the Districts' public schools.

5. General Operating Funds:

**Estimated Amount: \$58,000**

- The majority of the funds we typically receive are restricted, which are for the sole purpose of supporting programs. Having your financial support in unrestricted funds will allow us as a nonprofit a unique, yet important, opportunity for order for us to continue to build capacity that is sustainable. In doing so, we will be able to increase the amount of services we provide, thus being able to serve more schools, teachers, and students in Palm Beach County Public Schools.
- Staff Salary





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- Staff Professional Development/Training: In the past 8 months the Education Foundation has undergone major changes in staff. We have hired a new CEO/President, Director of Programs and Grants, and added a new position by hiring an Accountant. Due to having new leadership and a new team, we will need to attend trainings and professional development to further build our teams skillset to continue to do the amazing work we do everyday to the best of our ability. By attending trainings in event planning, marketing, development, grant writing, leadership, we will be able to stay current in nonprofit leadership and management which will allow us to improve and perfect our skillset and craft for our staff of 6, soon to be 7 if we can hire a part time staff for Red Apple Supplies.
- Community Outreach
- Marketing/Brand Building
- Community Engagement
- Capacity Building

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds received from the support of the Great Charity Challenge will allow us to increase our capacity by serving additional schools, teachers, and students through supporting two of our signature programs, as well as providing the opportunity to create a new program supporting at-risk children who are homeless. Funds received will also support our overall growth and capacity building as we develop our team, grow our staff, and increase our marketing capabilities to improve our brand so that we continue to increase our impact and reach for population we serve.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Quantum House](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.quantumhouse.org](http://www.quantumhouse.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$125,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 1,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 1,000

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The Family Care Program makes Quantum House home. The Family Care Program is a comprehensive program including Family Housing Subsidy, Family Pantry, Chef for a Day, Family Engagement Program and Family Crisis Fund all help families handle such a hectic time.

Your gift will continue to make the House a place *where hope has a home*® for hundreds of families and allow it to accomplish its goals:





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1. To decrease added financial burden for parents by providing affordable housing and household essentials during a child's treatment
2. To increase time families spend together by having families as close as possible, providing opportunities for bonding at meal times and during other family activities
3. To increase opportunities for children and their siblings to be engaged in learning and play for children amid a medical crisis

Baby Maggie arrived early and needed to be monitored for weeks because of four separate heart defects. Thinking about what it would cost to stay in a hotel near the hospital, Maggie's mom said, *"that would damn near break us."* The Family Housing Subsidy lifted that burden. The House requests a donation of \$40 per night, but no family is ever turned away for an inability to pay. Every child deserves the opportunity to have their family as close as possible.

Parents don't have to worry about purchasing, planning and preparing a hot, nutritious meal. The Chef for a Day Program hosts hundreds of volunteer groups every year as they serve families dinner almost every single night. On evenings when a group is unavailable, the Family Pantry Program makes sure a meal is still available. Families have the chance to gather around the dinner table together. The Family Pantry Program also ensures household essentials like linens, laundry detergent, paper towels and other pantry staples are always available.

Family Engagement Program lets kids be kids. It emphasizes learning and play to make sure school-aged children keep up with their academics and there are plenty of positive distractions from what goes on at the hospital.

Families manage as best they can with the ups and downs and setbacks that come with a child's medical treatment schedule. Sometimes, though, families are just making it after a devastating medical crisis. In those cases, the Family Crisis Fund is the answer to critical needs that can be as simple as a tank of gas to get back home or help with funeral costs.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Quantum House believes children heal better and faster when they're surrounded by the ones who love them most. You make sure children have their parents' full attention by providing lodging, meals and a host of other critical resources.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Stem HQ/ TechGarage](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.stemhq.org](http://www.stemhq.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$100,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 120

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 80



## **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

### **TechGarage Programs**

TechGarage operates year round team-based competitive robotics programs. In the fall our students form teams, build and program robots and drones, and compete in the robot drone league. In the spring students have a choice of joining our Virtual Reality League, or depending on their age; form teams to build MATE or SeaPerch underwater robots. Additionally our high school students compete in the FIRST First Robotics Competition. During the summer we operate a 4-week technology camp at the FAU high school and this year, for the first time, will host a 2-week technology summer camp for at-risk students at the Westgate community center in partnership with the Palm Beach County Sheriff PAL program.

Funds from this GCC grant will be used to; (i) start a robotics camp at the Westgate community center for at-risk students (ii) start and expand competitive robotics teams in low income neighborhoods in central and southern Palm Beach county, and (iii) provide scholarships for at-risk students to attend FAU High advanced robotics summer camp (iv) Support hiring of minority FAU Engineering students who will be Robotics coaches/Mentors for at-risk robotics teams.

**Expand Programs:** We currently have vibrant and active robotics programs with Boca Raton's Housing Authority the Pearl City CATS after-school program and with the Palm Beach county Sheriff Police Athletic League (PAL) in West Palm Beach. We will expand our PAL program to include more students in the year-round robotics program and for them to attend the FAU High robotics summer camp. Additionally, we can now sponsor a robotics team of at-risk girls who live in a HUD housing project to attend FAU High robotics summer camp and start their own year-round robotics team.

**New Programs:** Many students in the underserved communities in Palm Beach County do not have access technology programs to help them learn science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) concepts. Our goal is to introduce and support the competitive robotics program for at-risk students in as many low-income community centers as possible. Last year we partnered with the STEM academy at Royal Palm Beach High School and provided them with parts and equipment to compete in the robot drone league in the fall. We will now target and provide robotics programming to the community centers in the neighborhoods near the elementary and middle schools that feed into the Royal Palm Beach High School. Our goal is to inspire more minority students in the area to become sufficiently interested in technology so they'll elect the STEM academy in high school thereby putting them on a path to an engineering career. Additionally, we have partnership commitments from the Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation department as well as from the city of Delray Beach to provide our project and challenge based robotics program to community centers in unincorporated Palm Beach county and Delray Beach.

For both the new program and the program expansion, TechGarage will use the funds to purchase equipment; robot kits, drones, supplies and to pay FAU engineering students hired as robotics coaches for the competitive robotics programs which will be started in the at-risk community centers. We hire FAU engineering students from the Society of Black Engineers and the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers to provide students with mentors who are from similar socio-economic backgrounds as themselves and will be more understanding of their everyday challenges, encourage them to persevere and demonstrate why college matters. These college students view this as a work-study opportunity as it allows them to work in their field and mentor the next generation. We are cost conscious and purchase parts that are easily reusable for different competitions, are interchangeable among teams, and can be reused in subsequent years to make different types of robots.



**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

These funds will allow TechGarage to further expand our reach to at-risk students in underserved neighborhoods thereby helping us to fulfill our mission of developing self-sustainable models for educational robotics programs that engage young minds in building STEM skills, while simultaneously inspiring innovation and creativity. This will provide us with an opportunity to have a greater impact in the at-risk community and enable students to work collaboratively in a team environment so they can foster well-rounded life capabilities, including self-confidence, communication, and leadership.

**CHARITY NAME:** True Fast Outreach Ministries

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.tfom1.org](http://www.tfom1.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$85,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 38,760

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 38,760

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We would like to use 20% of our funds to be allocated towards our children's ministry to help build our library content, to upgrade our computers and software such as Microsoft Office and other educational programs for children of all ages, to build our community garden, and to continue to invest in our staff with proper trainings geared towards helping our children in all aspects. 25% of our funds would go towards our Food Pantry to replace outdated appliances that are no longer working efficiently, to develop a more efficient recording system, and to ensure that we have quality food for those in need. 52% of the funds will be designated for Wellness and Healthcare navigation which will assist us with providing salaries for well qualified staff members to assist and help our clients with case management. It will also assist us in helping our homeless and disabled clients with transportation needs to and from doctors' appointments. 3% will be spent to improve True Fast communications strategy related to brand, awareness, education and fundraising.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

The funds received will help our organization to provide better services to the clients we assist. It will allow us to make necessary upgrades to our programs that will improve the quality of work and assistance that we provide to our clients daily.



**CHARITY NAME:** [The Glades Initiative, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.gladesinitiative.org](http://www.gladesinitiative.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$75,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:**

We serve over 8,000 residents through 5 different programs (3,000- Navigation, 3,000 -Food Bank, 1,200 – Outreach, 2,500- Communications (Eblast and Resource Guide), 100 -Trainings

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:**

This grant funding will support the work we do through the 5 programs mentioned above. It will enable us to continue providing the valuable services so needed in the Glades community.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Our total agency budget is \$657,000 and the primary use of the \$75,000 of funding from the Great Charity Challenge will be to cover salaries for our program staff, program supplies, operational supplies and expenses for our programs serving the community.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

This funding allow us to serve over 3,000 adults and children through our Connecting the Glades Program which provides access to health care, insurance and access to supplemental nutritional assistance (Food Stamps) and food for low-income residents in the Glades. It will also support our Glades Area Food Bank which provides supplemental food to 12 Glades food pantries/ soup kitchens, ensuring thousands of children and their families have access to healthy and affordable food.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Alzheimer's Community Care](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.alzcare.org](http://www.alzcare.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$65,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Over 1,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 200



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Your generous gift will be used to fund Alzheimer's Community Care's Family Nurse Consultant Program in Wellington. The Family Nurse Consultant brings comfort and support to patients and caregivers in crisis and throughout the disease process, with no-cost to families.

Very often, a family's first contact with the Family Nurse Consultant is through Alzheimer's Community Care's 24-Hour Alzheimer's Crisis Line. Perhaps the patient has wandered or something has changed in the patient's behavior. Oftentimes the caregiver has simply reached the point where s/he can no longer manage the illness alone. This call for help sets in motion a coordinated response that comforts the family member and gets much needed individualized services to the Alzheimer's patient.

Family Nurse Consultants are licensed nurses with extensive training and education in dementia-specific services. The nurse meets with family caregivers and patients in their homes where they are able to see first-hand the existing challenges and opportunities. Alzheimer's patients, for example, are at great risk for falls. The untrained eye may overlook dangers, but the Family Nurse Consultant, as a trained professional, knows what to look for and how to modify the environment to enhance safety and simplify daily routines. Family Nurse Consultants evaluate the needs of **both** the patient and caregiver and develop individualized care plans for services that will support a patient's dignity and provide relief for the caregiver. Very often, the Alzheimer's patient is referred to one of Alzheimer's Community Care's Specialized Alzheimer's Day Care Centers. (Alzheimer's Community Care's Day Care Center in Wellington is located on the campus of St. Michael's Lutheran Church at 1925 Birkdale Drive.) Staffed by dementia-care specialists, the centers bring the Alzheimer's patient out of isolation and into a caring environment that includes medication administration, health monitoring, nutritious meals, and cognitive stimulation. The caregiver also receives much needed respite from the ongoing stress of balancing their needs and those of other family members with the needs of the Alzheimer's patient. Caregivers are also referred to professionally led Caregiver Support Groups where they receive peer-support and learn practical coping strategies for dealing with day-to-day struggles. They soon discover that they are not alone and as they emerge from isolation, they soon provide hope and support to others.

The Family Nurse Consultant often recommends Alzheimer's Community Care's ID Locator Bracelet Service that provides state-of-the art technology to track and quickly locate an Alzheimer's patient who wanders and becomes lost. This lifesaving technology is a critical tool for law enforcement as time is critical in these situations. Eighty percent of those who wander and are not found within 72 hours will not survive the event. In addition to equipping patients with tracking bracelets, the Family Nurse Consultant works with families on strategies to reduce the chances of patient wandering through an increased understanding and management of patient behaviors.

The Family Nurse Consultant remains with the patient and family throughout the course of the illness that averages 8-10 years, but can last up to 20 years. The nurse is the constant through the ever-changing stages of the illness. Families quickly come to rely on the wisdom, support and compassion provided. Because Alzheimer's disease manifests itself differently in each individual, it is important that a dementia specialist, such as the Family Nurse Consultant, is present to monitor the health and cognition of patient and guide the family each step of the way. The nurse also places a particular focus on reducing the stress that often accompanies the burden of caring for a loved-one with Alzheimer's disease. This service is delaying or eliminating the need for costly nursing home placement as well as reducing Emergency Room and doctor's



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office visits. The financial impact is significant, but more importantly families are able to continue living together with dignity and safety throughout the disease progression.

Because Medicare and traditional insurances do not pay for this service, the program is entirely supported by grants and donations. Your generous support assures that no family in Wellington, caring for a loved one with dementia, has to take the Alzheimer's journey alone.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will help Alzheimer's Community Care bring individualized, dementia-specific services to families coping with Alzheimer's disease. You are helping families to care for their loved one with Alzheimer's disease in the familiar surroundings of home, thereby avoiding or delaying nursing home placement.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Step by Step Foundation, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.Stepbystepfoundation.com](http://www.Stepbystepfoundation.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** 55,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 11,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 3600

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

#### Donation Distribution:

500 Toys	500x10.00= 5,000.00
20 Violins	20x100.00= 2,000.00
5 Keyboard	5x200.00= 1,000.00
Violin Music Teacher (24 Weeks x 4hours per week)	24x240.00= 5,760.00
Piano Music Teacher (24 Weeks x 4hours per week)	24x240.00= 5,760.00
2,000 Back Packs	2,000x5.00= 10,000.00
6,000 Note Books	6,000x1.00= 6,000.00
500 Washable Markers (10pc)	500x2.00= 1,000.00
500 Color Pencils (12pc)	500x2.00= 1,000.00
7,000 Pencils	7,000x0.20= 1,400.00
1,000 Pens	1,000x0.75= 750.00
2,000 Erasers	2,000x0.50= 1,000.00
1,000 Pencil Pouches	1,000x1.00= 1,000.00
1,000 Sharpeners	1,000x0.50= 500.00
1,000 Rulers	1,000x0.75= 750.00





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500 Glue Sticks	500x0.75= 375.00
192 Coloring Books	192x2.50= 480.00
600 Pairs of Toddler Socks	600x2.00= 1,200.00
600 Children Underwear	600x2.00= 1,200.00
240 Pairs of Shoes	240x10.00= 2,400.00
120 Johnson & Johnson, Baby Shampoo (500ml)	120x4.00= 480.00
72 Baby Bath	72x3.00= 216.00
12 Bucket of Tide with Downy (9Kg each)	12x40.00= 480.00
216 Shampoo	216x2.00= 432.00
144 Conditioner	144x2.50= 360.00
240 Hand Sanitizer	240x1.50= 360.00
20 Palmolive Dish Detergent	20x2.00= 40.00
768 Toothbrushes	768x1.25= 960.00
96 Toddler Toothbrushes	96x1.50= 144.00
240 Deodorant	240x1.75= 420.00
144 Soap	144x1.00= 144.00
4 Months Horse Feed "Horses and Heroes"	4x500.00= 2,000.00

**TOTAL: 54,611.00**

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

We will help underserved children and families in the Palm Beach County through the provision of backpacks with essential school, living, and sanitary supplies. We will also provide a music program for underserved children and youth for empowerment and skills development in partnership with local non-profit organizations.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Susan G. Komen South Florida](http://www.komensouthflorida.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.komensouthflorida.org](http://www.komensouthflorida.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$50,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 12,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 400

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Funds from the Great Charity Challenge will be used to provide community breast health education programs throughout Palm Beach County focusing on communities of greatest need. Education programs typically include a breast health educator, survivor or physician speaker who provide information on self screenings, dispel common myths and encourage early detection. The funds will also help Komen to provide breast health





navigation services through our Director of Mission Initiatives who acts as a front line resource to people going through the breast cancer journey to connect them to care and free resources in the community. Typically, the Director of Mission Initiatives handles 10-12 calls a day from community members seeking information on breast health and free or reduced screening options. The Director also provides patient navigation services connecting community members to free or reduced care in the community, helps with connecting people to support networks and other community resources. He provides follow up with the patient to see if they have received the resources needed.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds from this program will help to improve the breast health outcomes of low resource individuals in our community who without our assistance may not have access to resources and care that is needed to save their lives. The funds will also help to provide critical education programs in the community that address health equity and dispel myths that typically keep people from accessing early diagnostic services.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Hope 4 Mobility, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.Hope4Mobility.org](http://www.Hope4Mobility.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$45,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 166

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 54

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Hope 4 Mobility will help improve the quality of life of special needs children by splitting the funds through four of our following programs:

- Health and Therapy Services Program:
  - Aquatics Therapy: Approximately 25 Kids – \$4,000.00
- Mobility Equipment & Products Program:
  - Special Needs Adaptive Bikes/Trikes: Approximately 20 Kids – \$20,000.00
  - Wheelchairs: Approximately 2 Kids – \$6,500.00
- Special Needs Safety & Accessibility Program:
  - Wheelchair Ramps: Approximately 2 Kids – \$1,700.00
  - Stair Lifts: Approximately 1 Kid – \$2,800.00
- Let's Sleep On It Program:
  - 24-Hour Posturing Care: Approximately 5 Kids – \$10,000.00



**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Despite a child's limited physical ability or lack of mobility, all children deserve a chance to reach their full potential. These funds will assist Hope 4 Mobility in accomplishing our mission of helping to improve their quality of life.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Back to Basics, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.backtobasicsinc.org](http://www.backtobasicsinc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$40,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Over 7,000 children

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 3,500 children

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will enable Back to Basics to increase the number of new school uniforms for children in need from 12,000 to 15,000. We have a great relationship with a major uniform manufacturer and we are able to purchase quality school uniforms for an average of \$5 per piece. We will allocate \$30,000 of the grant toward the Uniform program, which will enable us to increase the uniforms by 3,000.

3,000 more children will receive new school uniforms and will be able to go to school, confident and ready to learn.

The remaining \$10,000 of the grant will be allocated to the Angel Program, where we will be able to provide new sneakers, socks, underwear and a toy to an additional 500 children during the holidays. Last year Back to Basics provided close to 7,000 gifts to children in need and we hope to increase that number as well this year. The majority of the gifts are provided by the community as in-kind gifts, however around 20-25% of the children's gifts do not come back or are incomplete. We will use these funds to help ensure that every child that we take in to our program will receive the promised new sneakers, socks, underwear and a toy for the holidays.

For many of these children, these could be the only gifts they receive.



**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will enable Back to Basics to increase the number of new school uniforms for children in need from 12,000 to 15,000 and provide new sneakers, socks, underwear and a toy to an additional 500 children during the holidays.

**CHARITY NAME:** Gulfstream Goodwill Industries

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.gulfstreamgoodwill.org](http://www.gulfstreamgoodwill.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$37,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** In 2017 Gulfstream Goodwill Industries (GGI) served a total of 17,511 persons (8,657 in face to face services and 8,854 in telephone navigation and other virtual services.) GGI served a total of 2267 people under the age of 24 in 2017. The Youth Program that will benefit from the Great Charity Challenge donation served a total of 241 youth up to the age of 18 in 2017

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** A minimum of 10 youth plus a natural support person for each youth as available, i.e. a mentor, parent, caregiver, and/or advocate.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Youth Services at Gulfstream Goodwill (GGI-YS) is designed to ensure that we are reaching and providing services to vulnerable youth from throughout Palm Beach County during three critical stages: (1) prevention of violence and justice-system involvement through our *Good Leaders* high school program, (2) during court-involvement when alternative sanctions to detention can be accessed through our *Alternatives to Secure Detention* program, and (3) at the time of community reentry after a period of detention in our *Back to a Future* program. Our three programs serve an average of 200 youth per year.

The College/Vocational School exploration component will serve a minimum of 10 youth who are interested in attending post-secondary training prior to entering the workforce. Youth and their parent(s), caregivers, mentors and advocates will be encouraged to participate in the program and join the tours in order to support the aspirations of their youth participants.

To participate in this project youth must be enrolled in school or working to complete their GED, or have already earned their GED or High School diploma, if in school they must maintain acceptable attendance and grade progress, and participate actively in achieving the goals established on their Personal Development Plan. The project will leverage the support of the existing youth Case Managers at GGI to ensure progress is being made.



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Youth Services at GGI (GGI-YS) will utilize funds from the Great Charity Challenge to support the on-going work of the programs in the youth department through a College/Vocational School exploration component that would;

- Provide family education regarding post-secondary opportunities for youth and the positive impacts on the youth and family,
- Provide funds to allow staff, students and their parents/caregivers to travel together on day trips to attend open houses and other potential student activities in order to explore career options in the youth's field(s) of interest at Colleges, Universities and Vocational Institutions throughout Florida,
- Provide student aid application, scholarship attainment and admissions application tutoring for youth and families,
- Provide scholarships when other funding is not available for college and vocational training.
- Provide tools necessary for successful employment and/or educational attainment when other funding is not available including electronics, books and other materials and kits.
- Provide critical limited support services needed to address critical needs such as: rental and housing support, behavioral health, food, health and hygiene, transportation and other interventions when other funding is not available.

The estimated budget breakdown is:

<b>A. PERSONNEL</b>	
Case Managers	In Kind
<b>B. OPERATIONAL EXPENSES</b>	
Bus Rental for College Day Trips (\$1500/day x 3 day trips)	\$ 4,500.00
Food for College Day Trips (\$750/trip x 3 day trips)	\$ 2,250.00
Scholarships	\$ 20,000.00
Tools (electronics, books and or other materials and kits)	\$ 6,000.00
Support Services (Rental & housing support, behavioral health, food, health and hygiene, transportation and other interventions)	\$ 4,250.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 37,000.00</b>

Estimated cost per youth: \$3,700.00

### IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will enable at risk youth from throughout Palm Beach County to rise above their circumstances and access post-secondary education, training and support to assist them in achieving goals leading to self-sufficient lives as productive members of our community.



**CHARITY NAME:** **Children's Case Management Organization, Inc. (dba Families First of Palm Beach County)**

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.familiesfirstpbcc.org](http://www.familiesfirstpbcc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$33,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Over 1300 Families

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 33 families with children who have a behavioral health service need. Children and their families will receive up to 15 therapeutic sessions (individual and/or family).

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The Behavioral Health Services program provides individualized care, comprehensive, family-driven services, and flexible treatment strategies for at-risk and high-risk children and their families across Palm Beach County. Each child and family who is admitted into the program will receive a comprehensive bio-psychosocial assessment where a family's social history is secured. If the child/family remains in treatment, they receive a treatment plan dictated by the goals and objectives that the child/family wishes to work on, thus making the desired results much more attainable. These services are provided to the child and family at the child's school and/or home, or at the location that the family identifies. The goal is to step in early, when there are signs and symptoms that a child is exhibiting behaviors that interfere with normal functioning at home, at school and in the community. This early intervention can mean the difference between ongoing mental or behavioral health issues that can hinder school, family and life success. This program increases service accessibility, reduces duplication, and maximizes resources, so that timely and appropriate interventions can positively change a child's life trajectory.

The funds from the Great Charity Challenge will pay for up to 15 therapeutic sessions for a child and their family who are underinsured or uninsured and would not be able to get the necessary treatment otherwise. This program ensures that the child and family stabilizes and levels of social and emotional functioning increases. A total of 33 children and their families will be served through the funds from the Great Charity Challenge.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will assist the agency in providing services for 33 additional children and their families with the needed behavioral health treatment so that families can stabilize and children will improve their functioning at school, home, work and community.



**CHARITY NAME:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.bgcpcb.org](http://www.bgcpcb.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$30,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 8,500

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** This grant will assist 1,500 of our kids at the Neil S. Hirsch Boys & Girls Club of Wellington.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County (BGCPBC) works hard to bring a range of quality programs to all our Clubs and their members. BGCPBC plans on using the grant funds to enhance the Arts and Music program at the Neil S. Hirsch BGC. The Arts programs enable members to discover new interests, untapped talents, and art making as a tool for creative self-expression.

**CHARITY NAME:** Kids Cancer Foundation

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.kidscancersf.org](http://www.kidscancersf.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$27,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Over 500

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** Over 300

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds we receive will be used to help with the costs to expand the Kids Cancer Center which will allow us to have the much needed space for the Child Enrichment and Tutoring Programs. The Child Enrichment Program provides therapeutic arts and crafts, play and interaction for both patients and siblings at the Kids Cancer Center and Hospital(s). The program also teaches patients and families special techniques to use during procedures and treatments to help ease a child's (and at times the caregiver's) fear and anxiety both before and during the necessary treatments and procedures they endure battling childhood cancer. The funds will assist us with the tutoring program by providing us the extra space we need for the one-on-one tutoring we provide for patients, siblings and on occasion parents.



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We will also be using a portion of the funds to purchase gift cards to provide financial assistance with the travel and food expenses when our young patients and families need to come back and forth for treatment this is especially helpful as some of our patients and families come as often as 2 to 3 times a week for treatment.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

These funds will help us better meet the growing needs of our young patients and families. The funds will allow us to fund and expand the programs and services necessary to meet those growing needs. Thanks to the support of generous donors like, Great Charity Challenge, we are able to provide hope and support to our young patients and families and help make the journey battling childhood cancer a little easier. Little warriors need big heroes like the Great Charity Challenge and its generous donors and sponsors. We are very grateful to have had the opportunity to be a part of this amazing event. We can not thank you enough.

**CHARITY NAME:** [The Rotary Club of Wellington Foundation](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.wellingtonrotary.org](http://www.wellingtonrotary.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$26,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 10,000 approximately

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 8500 approx.

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

\$12,000 Rotary Scholarship Fund (to assist local students with college tuition)

\$14,000. To be split between our main charities aimed at supporting disadvantaged children and homeless families. Including: The Lords Place, YWCA (Harmony House), Back to Basics and Palms West (Children's Hospital)

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The Rotary Club of Wellington will use these funds to augment and increase our support for adults and children in Palm Beach County.





**CHARITY NAME:** Special Olympics

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.specialolympicspalmbeach.org](http://www.specialolympicspalmbeach.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$25,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 2,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 12

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Special Olympics is very excited to share the news that several of our very best Palm Beach County athletes have been selected to join the elite members of Team Florida, to participate in the Special Olympics National USA Games in Seattle this summer!

The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games will be held in Seattle, Washington July 1-6, 2018. More than 4,000 athletes and coaches representing 50 state Programs and the District of Columbia, along with the support of tens of thousands of volunteers and spectators, will compete in 14 Olympic-type team and individual sports.

The 2018 USA Games will offer 14 sports in the best sports facilities in the greater Seattle region including the University of Washington, Seattle University, Seattle Pacific University, King County Aquatic Center, Willows Run Golf Club, Celebration Park, Angle Lake and Kenmore Lanes.

It is a tremendous honor to be selected and these Palm Beach County athletes have worked for years to perfect their skills in their specific sports. Each athlete must have been a first place finisher in their sport on a County level, then advanced to a higher level of Area competition and finished first, finally qualifying to compete in Special Olympics Florida state games at ESPN Wide World of Sports. All athletes that are first place finishers at State for at least 2 years in a row are eligible to advance to National USA Games. It is with great pride that we share the names of the Palm Beach County athletes who are officially members of Team Florida!

Jonathan Doring-Tennis  
Frankie Jaruszewski-Bowling  
Morgan Vandenberg-Swimming  
Lindsay Fulop-Golf  
Steven Cargill-Golf  
Marc Fishman-Golf  
Margie Lee Rodriguez-Golf  
Lindsey Goldenhersh-Track & Field  
Danielle Hutton- Track & Field  
Laurence Holas- Track & Field  
Mike & Nancy Howard-Coaches -Bowling

Each County must decide if they are able to send their participants selected to go to USA Games, as the County cost per person is \$2500. The cost includes a \$1500 assessment per person issued by Special Olympics North



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America, as well as additional expenses to transport the athletes to Orlando where the entire team will fly together to Seattle, the costs for overnight lodging and meals in Orlando for one night and one day, as well as warm-up uniforms for each athlete.

Please enjoy a brief video on the most exciting competition opportunity in the US that our athletes can experience: <https://youtu.be/vKmK7Y9NZTg>

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Special Olympics requests to apply the funds gifted by the Great Charity Challenge of \$25,000 to cover our costs of sending 12 Palm Beach County participants to Special Olympics National USA Games. Our total cost is \$30,000 and the ability to use the Great Charity Challenge donation for this direct need would provide the competitive experience of a lifetime to athletes who have worked tirelessly to be our best of the best!

**CHARITY NAME:** [Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.PeggyAdams.org](http://www.PeggyAdams.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$24,000 plus \$2,000 Best Team Spirit Bonus

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 45,000 dogs and cats

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 520 cats

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received will be utilized to provide free spay/neuter surgeries, vaccines and microchips for free-roaming and domestic cats in Palm Beach County. This will help us continue our work in regards to the Countdown 2 Zero initiative to make Palm Beach County a no kill community. We have already greatly decreased the number of cats coming into our shelter through various programs (TNVR, Spay Day). These funds will help us continue those programs and increase the number of cats (and their families) that we can help through providing much needed services.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

By providing these surgeries we will prevent many litters of kittens from entering our local shelters and, hopefully, keep cats in their homes.



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**CHARITY NAME:** Spirit of Giving

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.spiritofgivingnetwork.com](http://www.spiritofgivingnetwork.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$23,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 10,000 -15,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 5,000

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We were thrilled for the incredible opportunity to participate in the 2018 Great Charity Challenge and are so grateful for the generous funding of \$23,000.

The Great Charity Challenge funds received will be utilized to better serve our at-risk children and families in our community at our upcoming **Back to School Bash** tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 28, 2018.

More specifically, the funds are proposed to be allocated as follows:

1. School Supplies	\$ 7,000
2. Shoes/Socks	\$ 5,000
3. Uniform Shirts	\$ 5,000
4. Health Screenings	\$ 3,000
5. Hygiene Kits	\$ 2,000
6. Healthy Snacks	\$ 1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$23,000</u></b>

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The GCC funds will enable the Spirit of Giving to expand its reach and ensure all underserved children in our network are prepared with the appropriate supplies, clothes and health checks to begin the school year with the confidence and the tools to succeed.

**CHARITY NAME:** The Soup Kitchen of Boynton Beach

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://thesoupkitchen.org>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$22,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 250,000



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This past year, The Soup Kitchen (“TSK”) served nearly 210,000 hot meals and distributed over 37,000 grocery bags. On average, that amounts to nearly 600 hot meals and 100 grocery bags each and every day.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 12,000

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

As evidenced by the invoice below, TSK is about to embark upon a massive overhaul of our sprinkler system in order to obtain water from the city’s water supply. TSK is currently using well water. This new water source will be far cleaner and more efficient.

J.W. FIRE SPRINKLER, INC.  
Quality • Dependability • Integrity  
West Palm Beach, FL 33407  
Phone (561) 863-8161 Fax (561) 863-8431

### INVOICE

DATE: February 7, 2018

TO: The Soup Kitchen  
8645 W. Boynton Beach Blvd.  
Boynton Beach, FL 33472

ATTN: Accounts Payable

INVOICE #: 18126

PROJECT: Soup Kitchen

Twenty-Five (25) Percent of Proposal for Underground Tie-in.

Total amount of proposal: 24,835.00

25% of proposal: 6,208.75

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$6,208.75**

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

As water is crucial to the functioning of TSK, these funds are essential in securing a successful transition to the city’s water supply.



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**CHARITY NAME:** [West Palm Beach Library Foundation](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.WPBLF.org](http://www.WPBLF.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$21,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 104,580

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 20,654

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The West Palm Beach Library Foundation is committed to supporting free, fun, educational programs taught by certified teachers for children and teens at the Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach. The Summer Programs, funded by the Great Charity Challenge, would help young learners avoid and minimize “Summer Slide”, a phenomenon when students lose months of academic progress because they are not engaged in educational activities during the summer months. Many of the children who visit the Library come from low-income neighborhoods. It can be very difficult for their parents to find meaningful, no or low cost ways to enrich their children’s summertime experiences. With the help of a FTI Great Charity Challenge grant a substantial difference can be made in the lives of children living in Palm Beach County.

The Great Charity Challenge Grant will be used to support:

- Summer Academy (Kindergarten Prep, FSA Prep, Small Group Tutoring, Aesop’s Fables Readers Theater) taught by certified teachers, promotes lifelong learning and develops positive self-efficacy for students in reading, math, writing and science.
- Dog Tales makes reading fun by having specially trained therapy dogs that “listen” to children struggling with reading and comprehension.
- Summer Reading Program provides gift books for children and teens who complete reading logs. Studies show that children who select a book are more likely to read and comprehend the material. These books are often the beginning of home libraries, as frequently there are no age appropriate books in their homes.
- Teen robotics and interactive activities which teach and reinforce “STEAM” concepts.
- Staff required to implement and oversee programs for elementary and teens.
- Foundation administration required to continue to write grants and secure funding for children’s and teen programming.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The grant awarded will be used to support the summer hands-on educational enrichment programs offered at Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach. The summer programs are designed to help children and teens retain educational gains from the previous school year and prepare them to enter the next year ready to learn.



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**CHARITY NAME:** [Big Dog Ranch Rescue](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.bdrr.org](http://www.bdrr.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$20,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 50

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We rescue 5,000 dogs per year from high-kill shelters, owner surrenders and rescue flights from hurricane impacted areas. With these funds we will transport, spay/neuter and rehome 50 dogs.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

We are dependent on donations to meet all of our expenses from fundraising events or general solicitations. These funds will go directly to saving lives of our very deserving doggies!

**CHARITY NAME:** [Christopher Aguirre Memorial Foundation](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://www.christophermemorial.org/>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$19,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 2000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 1000

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Looking forward to the GCC sponsorship funds of \$19,000. CAMF will grow the programs that we started with the 2015 GCC sponsorship. These programs are the "Shoes for Kids in Need" with a goal of donating 350 pair of shoes to Wellington school children. We will increase the number of Wellington children that we send to summer camp to 20 (for the entire summer). We again will help sponsor the Neighborhood Picnic held at Tiger Shark Cove this summer. Feeding the homeless families in Wellington was a new project last year and with the help of The Village of Wellington, Publix and the Palm Beach School Board (they contacted the families) we are planning on doubling the number of families that we reach. We did not realize the number of homeless and displaced families that are in our community. Our Toy drive has always been successful in West Palm Beach serving more than 150 children every year. This year we will expand the program into Wellington.



CAMF also will continue to support our current charities Four year \$10,000 scholarship to Florida State university (we have given 6 to date) Miracle League, Children's Arthritis Foundation, Compassionate Friends of Wellington Chapter, American Legion Port 12 Baseball League, U12 Palm Beach Shockers Travel Baseball, Make a Wish Foundation, St. Baldrick's Foundation, Toys for Tots, Child ID Program, Wellington High School Art Department, and children of Palm Beach County.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

To continue Chris's desire to help children that are often overlooked. To lead by example, showing the community and especially the children that even the smallest expression of kindness can make a significant impact in someone's life.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Florence Fuller Child Development Center's Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.ffcdc.org](http://www.ffcdc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$ 18,500

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 1400

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 1400

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received will assist in providing the 800 children served on the East and West Campus' of Florence Fuller Child Development Centers who are growing up in circumstances that might limit development of their potential, compromise their health, impair their sense of self, and generally restrict their chances for successful lives. Early Education, Afterschool/Summer camp programs addressing these issues are provided to low-income, children and their families.

The Centers provide a holistic and comprehensive family support program for over 600 families that includes but is not limited to; preventative health care, developmental and behavioral health screenings, case management parenting, financial, nutrition and ESOL classes, assistance with accessing economic assistance, housing, transportation and jobs, all in an effort to ensure that our children go home to safe, healthy and stable families, that positively contribute to our workforce and community.

Through the FFCDC's programs, we can bridge the achievement gap so prevalent among children from low-income, primarily minority families.

FFCDC is proud to be able provide its families through the support of our funding partners, access to the quality care and educational preparation their children so desperately need yet cannot afford.

Programs offered to them include the following:





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- **Infant and Toddler Care**, in which nurturing caregivers engage them in the play, social, and verbal interactions essential for development of their cognitive and motor skills. This is a critical need for single working poor in the community because of the high cost of child care.
- **Early Childhood Education**, providing the educational foundation essential for success in kindergarten. FFCDC is the only Head Start and Early Head Start programs in Boca Raton. The Creative curriculum utilized is recognized as a best practice model and both centers are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) are Gold Seal Centers and carry 4-star ratings in the Palm Beach County Quality Improvement System.
- **Afterschool/Summer/Holidays** Enrichment Program, providing safe environments for students in which skilled counselors facilitate comprehensive age-appropriate learning opportunities (homework support, games designed to improve math and reading skills, and a variety of enrichment and recreational activities) using a curriculum that promotes character development, civic responsibility, conflict resolution skills and respect.
- **Food programs** that serve balanced meals and healthy snacks and emphasize healthy eating habits. FFCDC provides two-thirds of youngsters' daily nutritional requirements.
- **Family Support:** The Family Support Program provides a coordinated cadre of empowering educational, vocational, health and behavioral health screenings and interventions and support services for family members in an effort to improve their health, stability, self-sufficiency. Children receive preventative behavioral health screenings as well as preventative physical health screenings including dental, hearing, vision, nutrition, speech, vision, height, weight, hemoglobin, anemia and lead. All children in need of services are referred and connected to those services.

### IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION

Ninety-eight percent of the children attending the two Florence Fuller Child Development Centers in Boca Raton are from homes where the income level is less than the 185% of the Federal Poverty Level. This funding will be utilized to support the ongoing programs provided for the children and families we serve and help us to break the cycle of poverty.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Children's Home Society of Florida](http://www.chsfl.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://www.chsfl.org>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$18,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 15,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 280



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds from the Great Charity Challenge will go to support the Adoption Program at CHS. This program serves all youth who are available for adoption from the foster care system after being found to be victims of abuse, abandonment or neglect and not being able to be successfully reunified with their families. The program focuses on finalizing children who reside with people who wish to adopt them and works to find families for those children who do not have an identified placement. These funds will support those ongoing recruitment efforts for the approximately 85 children in Palm Beach County who do not have a forever family identified. This will assist with increased exposure of youth through the Heart Gallery, training of potential adoptive families and ongoing post-adoption support for families who do adopt.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

These funds will help improve the services provided to the children available for adoption in Palm Beach County by increasing awareness of adoption in the community and increase the number of children who achieve permanency by finding their forever families.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Catholic Charities Elder Affairs Program](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.catholiccharitiesdpb.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdpb.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$17,500.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Elder Affairs serves 556 clients/families annually through direct service, advocacy or guidance to better plan for their long-term care and financial needs.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** We expect to assist 556 clients and their families through our program funded in part by this grant.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will directly benefit the Elder Affairs Program which provides guardianship, case management, information and referral, and guardianship training to over 550 individuals and families annually. More than half the clients served lack the ability to pay for program services. The funds received will help offset the costs of guardianship and case management services to serve a portion of these. Clients are victims or vulnerable to exploitation, abuse and/or neglect; and in most cases, suffer from a cognitive impairment. Services ensure the medical, mental health, personal, social, and spiritual needs of each individual are met. Case Managers prepare a Plan of Care to ensure that the safety of the individual is met in the least restrictive environment and to provide protection of assets. In most cases, services are in place through the end of the individual's life allowing them to live the remainder of their years with dignity.



## **Program Services**

### **Guardianship Services:**

- Protection/ management of client's real estate, personal possessions and assets
- Preparation of a long-term financial plan of care
- Bill pay and budget planning
- Continual monitoring to assure individual's physical, emotional and spiritual well-being
- Preparation of a personalized plan of care
- Coordination of care to ensure medical, mental health, social and personal needs are met
- Correspondence with family, legal advisors, medical team and others
- Funeral planning and execution of known wishes

### **Case Management Services:**

- Counseling for older persons/ their families when faced with lifestyle decisions
- Assessment of personal and medical needs and referral to community services
- Financial assessment and planning for long-term care needs
- Information and assistance with nursing home and assisted living facility admissions
- Facilitating Social Security, Medicaid, Veteran and Long-term Care applications for benefits
- Counseling the importance of preparing and executing life planning documents (POA, HCS, Living Will)
- Information, referral and linkage to community service providers
- In certain situations: Trustee, Estate Executor, Health Care Surrogate and Representative Payee

## **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds received from the Great Charity Challenge will help Catholic Charities to offset the costs of the Elder Affairs program and enable our organization to continue to provide much needed services to the vulnerable elderly in our local communities.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Junior League of Boca Raton, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.jlbr.org](http://www.jlbr.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$17,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 3,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 650



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The mission of the Junior League of Boca Raton's Community Garden is to cultivate the spirit of community and enhance quality of life by creating and sustaining an organic garden of vegetables, flowers, plants, and trees.

The funds received will be used as follows:

- To further develop the Food Forest, we require more fruit bearing foliage, trees, herbs and vegetables plants. Permaculture shows us that if we design using observation and bio-mimicry of nature, land can be restored to an abundance that supports all living things. We will install SmartGarden Pods, which utilize aeroponic technology to grow produce crops up to three times more quickly compared to traditional soil. The plants grow with roots suspended in air and are periodically sprayed with water and nutrients. (\$3,000)
- To install solar powered lighting, an environmentally friendly technology; which will deliver a dependable and autonomous power solution. This will enable us to increase light output in the evening hours, so that we may hold more events in the garden. The main focus of the lighting will be directed to pathways within the garden. We have two upcoming events in the Community Garden (Dr. Seuss' Birthday Party and an Earth Day celebration), which will take place in the morning & afternoon hours; however, we would like to offer family-friendly events in the evening as well. (\$10,000)
- To beautify the garden and create an inviting green space for the community to enjoy. The project will include a big trellis and flowers, which will be placed in the southwest part of the garden; and an irrigation system. A mini sensory garden will be placed in the wildflower walk and northeast part of the garden. The sensory garden will offer durable recycled materials with the purpose of stimulating the senses and benefit both children and adults. (\$4,000)

Please note that these dollar amounts are based upon estimates and may need to be modified with implementation.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The garden fosters environmental sustainability and stewardship, advances horticultural and nutritional education, provides a beautiful and natural retreat, and produces a healthy supplemental food source for its gardeners and the hungry in our community. With this grant, the JLBR will be able to **expand** the pounds donated through the gardener produce donations and food drive events held at the garden from 1,200 pounds towards our long-term target of 2,000 pounds.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Achievement Centers for Children & Families](http://www.AchievementCentersFL.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://www.AchievementCentersFL.org>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$19,500 (\$16,500 from event and \$3,000 from Best Costume BONUS)



**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY?** 600 children and 500 families

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT?**

120 young children, age one to five years of age

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Requested funds will support direct services and interventions provided in our Early Learning Program which are designed to improve outcomes for 120 young children ages one to five years, specifically in terms of developmental learning and early childhood education. The program's primary objectives is to address the complex needs of children so that they (1) graduate 'kindergarten ready' and (2) have the critical thinking skills needed to become lifelong learners. Using integrated, research- and project-based strategies, the program addresses five central learning domains: 1) approaches to learning; 2) social and emotional development; 3) language, communication, and literacy; 4) cognition and reasoning; and 5) perceptual, motor and physical development. Parents are taught how to meaningfully engage in their child's development and education. Essentially, young children and families learn how to learn in our Early Learning Program, resulting in better outcomes for our target population.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

2018 Great Charity Challenge funds will help us provide services and interventions that improve outcomes for young children enrolled in our Early Learning Program. The addresses the complex needs of children so that they graduate preschool 'kindergarten ready' with the critical thinking skills needed to be lifelong learners.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, Inc.](http://www.buschwildlife.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.buschwildlife.org](http://www.buschwildlife.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$16,000.00

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 5,000 Injured Animals

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 178 Animals



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Each year, Busch Wildlife Sanctuary spends over \$450,000 on animal care related expenses caring for the over 5,000 sick, injured, and orphaned native wildlife here in Palm Beach County. These funds will be used to help us:

To operate a dedicated wildlife rescue vehicle on a 24/7 basis. The vehicle includes rescue gear, protective clothing, tranquilizing and medical equipment, and cages.

Rescue specialists who are trained in wildlife rescue techniques. These specialists are on-call at all-times; they respond to weekend and nighttime calls for rescue.

Hospital facilities, including surgery, ICU, and quarantine ward.

Rehabilitation complex to handle large and small mammals, large and small birds, water birds, and reptiles. Rehabilitation may take from several weeks to a year or more. Animals in rehabilitation must be shielded from general public to facilitate an easier re-introduction to the wild.

Feeding of 400 animals monthly during their treatment and rehabilitation.

Maintaining facilities for natural habitat housing of about 250 animals whose injuries or condition preclude them from being released to the wild. These animals are used in wildlife education programs, the Sanctuary's second mission.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION.**

Busch Wildlife Sanctuary does not receive any state, federal, or government funding. Each dollar that we receive from caring people such as you, directly helps us towards accomplish our mission. Thank you!



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**CHARITY NAME:** [Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.adoptafamilypbc.org](http://www.adoptafamilypbc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 2,000 Families (6,000 Individuals)

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** This grant will enable Adopt-A-Family to serve approximately 60 homeless and low-income elementary school students.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The generous grant award from the Ziegler Family Foundation will be used to support Project Grow, Adopt-A-Family's afterschool and summer program for elementary school students from homeless and impoverished households. Project Grow aims to address and reverse the debilitating effects of homelessness and poverty through a holistic curriculum that includes engaging academic lessons, one-on-one tutoring, mental health services, life-enriching experiences, academic advising, parental engagement, access to technology, recreation, and a safe and supportive environment for a vulnerable population of students.

The award from the Ziegler Family Foundation will provide vital support for the day-to-day operating expenses of Project Grow which include the following: classroom supplies for academic lessons and art projects, the daily provision of nutritious snacks, enriching field trips to places like the Ft. Lauderdale Museum of Discovery and Science and the Delray Beach Playhouse, maintenance of the agency school bus that transports the children on field trips as well as to Project Grow in inclement weather, building maintenance, and the coverage of any gaps in staff salaries and benefits. The coverage of these expenses allows the program's director, academic advisor, and four teachers to serve underprivileged children with high quality wrap-around services. Support for Project Grow from the Ziegler Family Foundation will ensure that the students are not limited or isolated by their low socioeconomic status and that they are exposed to new ideas, experiences, and opportunities to meet their full potential.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The grant funds from the Ziegler Family Foundation will increase Adopt-A-Family's ability to accomplish its mission by supporting Project Grow and investing in the lives of 60 homeless and impoverished elementary school students in need of academic, behavioral, mental health, and enrichment services to increase their chances of stability and success in the future. Adopt-A-Family must fundraise over half of Project Grow's annual operating budget, and this grant award will be a significant contribution to a program that is a crucial support service and safety net for some of Palm Beach County's most vulnerable students.





**CHARITY NAME:** Area Agency on Aging Palm Beach/Treasure Coast Inc.

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.youradrc.org](http://www.youradrc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 3800

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** Part 1 below will serve 50; Part 2 below will serve an estimated 700.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Thanks to the grant we received from the Ziegler Family Foundation last year, we were able to partner with The American Parkinson Association and the Hospice organization serving rural Okeechobee County which brought the total number of organizations who can provide the Powerful Tools for Caregiver workshops to six, which certainly leverages the geographic reach of the Agency.

As a continuation to the funding we received from the Ziegler Family Foundation last year, with this year's grant we plan to initiate two important service areas:

- 1) Extend the services we provide to caregivers by providing an educational support group component to those that attend the Powerful Tools for Caregiver Workshops. Topics in this component will include financial and budgeting education, tools on how to meet the legal and medical considerations of caregiving as well as providing the emotional support needed.

We plan to implement this concept in partnership with other local service organizations by integrating their existing caregiving services into the support group concept. The funding will be used to support the follow on educational component.

- 2) This new funding will assist us in training and certifying three community health workers who, in partnership with local community organizations, will serve the senior population as well as disabled adults.

In working with the populations we serve, we are aware that many suffer from malnutrition, isolation and depression. Training these health workers will allow us to send them into the community to provide a direct contact and assist seniors to improve their nutritional level which in turn will improve their health outcomes; screen them and engage them in a program designed to address their mental health, depression and anxiety; connect them with group settings that will focus on providing workshops such as fall prevention, diabetes self-management, pain and stress management etc.



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These community health workers will also have the ability to assist seniors and adults with disabilities with medication management and connecting directly to services such as dental and eye care even to those without insurance or the ability to pay.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Due to the fact that we do not currently have the funds available to certify community health workers, this grant will allow us to provide the critical services outlined above through the hands on involvement of the community health workers in conjunction with our community partners.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.bgcpcb.org](http://www.bgcpcb.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 8,200

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 4

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The generous funding of \$5,000 will be applied to four (4) full time summer camp scholarships at \$120 a week. These funds allow 4 youth to participate in the 10week summer program that includes food (2 meals a day and snacks,) T-shirts, 40 field trips (one per week) and the full range of educational and fitness programs including specialty programs: golf, bowling, swimming, and tennis.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Habitat for Humanity of Palm Beach County](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.habitatpbc.org](http://www.habitatpbc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 250

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 2

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Funds will be used to help assist the Culler Family in the construction of their Habitat Belle Glade home.



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Angela Culler has been employed by the Palm Beach County School District for 31 years and is currently working at Glades Central High School as an assistant in the guidance office. Angela is the single mother of Erin Cameron. Erin is 21 years old and is disabled. She is wheelchair bound and requires full time care for all of her basic needs. Angela acts as Erin's main caregiver, and Erin attends a day program while Angela is working. Angela lives in an apartment that is not handicapped accessible. The apartment has a bathtub, so Angela has to physically lift Erin into it every time she needs to be bathed. The highest priority needs for this family are a roll in shower, wider door access, grab bars, and storage space for all of Erin's medical supplies

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Funds will provide assistance in making this home ADA compliant.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Hospice of Palm Beach County Foundation](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.trustbridgefoundation.org](http://www.trustbridgefoundation.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Approximately 8,000 patients in Palm Beach County plus family members

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** Approximately 1,500

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Funds will be used to provide end of life care services that go above and beyond traditional hospice services. These services include music therapy, pet therapy, and extraordinary comfort measures. In addition, we provide extended bereavement programs for family members, including group therapy and individual therapy. We offer children's bereavement services to include individual and group therapy, 2 camps for children, plus in school counseling services.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Donations help us to ensure that anyone in Palm Beach County who wants and is eligible for hospice services receives them, regardless of their ability to pay.



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**CHARITY NAME:** [Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.literacyabc.org](http://www.literacyabc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 30,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 100

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The grant will be used to provide instruction at our Glades Family Education program in Belle Glade. Adults learn to read, write and speak English while their preschool children participate in an early childhood education class. Parents and children also come together for interactive literacy activities to learn how they can extend literacy development at home.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds will help the Literacy Coalition teach adults in our Glades Family Education program how to read, write and speak English. It will also help their young children develop essential school readiness skills.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Palm Beach County Food Bank](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.pbcfoodbank.org](http://www.pbcfoodbank.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 1.2 million lives

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 2,400

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We will use the Great Charity Challenge funds to support our core program, Food Recovery and Distribution. These funds will help us distribute food at no cost to more than 100 front line hunger relief agencies (food kitchens, food pantries, etc.) across Palm Beach County. Food Recovery and Distribution reaches nearly 100,000 individuals each month in Palm Beach County.



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### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Through your generous contribution, the funds from the Great Charity Challenge will help us better serve the many hungry residents of Palm Beach County Food Bank.

**CHARITY NAME:** [The Arc of Palm Beach County](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.arcpbcc.org](http://www.arcpbcc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 2,800

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 80

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received from The Great Charity Challenge will go towards The Arc of Palm Beach County annual fund to support the Art d'Arc Artisan Program. The Artisan program allows creative adults with developmental disabilities the opportunity to earn commission based income from the sales of unique mosaics and artwork in the community. Students not only create art, they participate in life skills and pre-employment training which promotes independence. Our artisans then apply these customer service, retail, and social skills by marketing and selling their artwork at retail outlets, popup shops and local festivals like Artigas and Sunfest.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

The funds assist The Arc in maintaining vital programming to promote inclusion of individuals with disabilities at all levels our community while simultaneously providing artisans an earned income stream. With the support of The Great Charity Challenge our students are able to gain life experiences, explore career opportunities and receive public recognition for their creative talents.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Urban Youth Impact](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.urbanyouthimpact.com](http://www.urbanyouthimpact.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 2300

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 121



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### PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:

Funds from The Great Charity Challenge would be used to support the critical programs and services we provide to inner-city children and families from Palm Beach County including:

- **The Leadership Academy (TLA)** serves 121 students grades K-9 through tutoring, computer-based literacy learning, faith-based instruction, life-skills and character building lessons, mentoring relationships, performing arts, field trips, and recreation. The primary goal of TLA is to prepare each student it serves to succeed in life by providing academic, social/emotional, physical and spiritual enrichment through these students' formative years. Last year, 92% of students who regularly attended TLA made gains in their reading abilities.
- **SMART Program**, where Science Meets Art, serves students in grades K-8 through in depth programming by trained staff in the sciences, visual arts and performing arts fields. The primary goal of SMART is to prepare each student it serves to realize their potential gifting and affinity towards a subject through providing exposure to the arts and sciences. Unfortunately, most of the schools where the youth we serve attend find the funding for these vital areas of creativity and knowledge cut first. The subjects offered through the SMART Program include opportunities in many areas such as computer graphics (coding), dance, drumming, photography, videography, theater, violin, piano lessons, and science classes. SMART classes also include visual arts in the form of painting, graffiti art, jewelry and sculpture. The program allows students to express themselves in a healthy productive manner, while still providing them with necessary life skills through engaging activities.
- **Reframe Work Program** provides inner-city youth and young adults (ages 15-22) the opportunity to acquire real work experience through paid internships according to students' interest in professional settings. Our vision is to empower youth and young adults to be employable, eager and employed for good. Their job is to achieve; our job is to empower them to do so. Through the year-round program, we currently work with 120 teens and young adults.
- **Summer Jam** is a seven-week camp that offers outdoor games, arts and crafts, field trips, and educational and spiritual enrichment. Summer Jam is open to students in 1<sup>st</sup> grade through high school. Last summer's theme was "Under Construction".
- **Two Satellite Campuses** serving Riviera Beach and Boynton Beach with weekly outreach for at-risk children. These weekly outreach sites have fellowship, snack, and spiritual enrichment components.

### IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION

Funds from The Great Charity Challenge will be used to support the critical programs and services Urban Youth Impact in order to love, equip and empower inner-city youth and their parents to fulfill their God-given purpose. This will include serving the children at the main campus in West Palm Beach and our outreach efforts in Riviera Beach and Boynton Beach.



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**CHARITY NAME:** [YMCA of South Palm Beach County](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.ymcaspbc.org](http://www.ymcaspbc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 70,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 25 children

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We will be using the grant monies to support financial scholarships for our summer camp programs. This grant will allow the YMCA to provide children the opportunity they would otherwise not be able to participate in. The Ziegler summer camp scholarships will provide 25 children the opportunity to attend a week of traditional summer camp.

The YMCA of South Palm Beach County is seen as a leader in childcare and camp programs. We pride ourselves on providing a safe place for children to thrive and reach their fullest potential.

Campers participating in the program experience fun and enriching activities led by a trained and caring staff. Activities include classical art classes, sports and fitness, swimming, music and the D.E.A.R (Drop Everything And Read) program. Your support is truly making a difference in the lives of these children and their families.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The summer day camp program bridges the summer gap of between school years. Thanks to the generous support of the Great Charity Challenge we will be able to offer a week of summer camp to 25 children in need





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## **BONUS GRANT, AWARDED BY THE WINNING TEAM:**

**Due to their outstanding in ring performance, Team SpyCoast/Preston presented the following surprise grant.**

**CHARITY NAME:** **Meals on Wheels of the Palm Beaches, Inc.**

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.mowpb.org](http://www.mowpb.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$15,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Approx. 385 Unduplicated

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 200

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

These funds will be used primarily to address our increasing requests for meal subsidy dollars from our homebound seniors. MOWPB clients all pay a little something for each meal. At full price they are paying \$6.00 per meal, but some, in greater financial distress, will pay as little as \$0.50 per meal – all based on a sliding scale reflecting their household income. Since our inception in 2010 we have maintained approximately 30% of our clients paying the full amount, and the rest at various levels of subsidy. This past year that number shifted significantly to only 12% able to pay the full amount, leaving 88% needing financial assistance. We had not projected that in our annual budget, so funding to cover that need is vital. With \$10,000 of the GCC grant being applied to subsidy, we can provide at least 3,300 meals to the neediest of our homebound seniors.

We expect to use \$5,000 or less to purchase materials including new hot/cold packs for our delivery bags to maintain safe food temperatures. The ones that we have currently are old and are in need of replacement. Additionally, we will buy two commercial microwaves.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

MOWPB functions because of volunteer meal delivery drivers, the hot/cold packs allow them to be successful in their efforts to help their fellow neighbors in need. The subsidy funds ensure that no senior is forgotten or overlooked, no matter what their personal financial situation and MOWPB can help those who need it the most.



## **GRANTS RANDOMLY DRAWN DURING THE 2018 GCC:**

**CHARITY NAME:** [Our Sister's Place, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.oursistersplace.org](http://www.oursistersplace.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$8,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 1,891

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 50

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED :**

Our Sister's Place, Inc. Advocacy and Outreach Program will use the funds received to expand our emergency shelter/transitional housing program to include another safe and confidential location where we can provide safety and support. The funds will be used to house a family who have left an abusive relationship for a period of up to 3-6 months while we assist them in finding permanent housing. The most difficult time for a victim of domestic violence is when they leave their abuser and try to find affordable housing as they work towards independence and self-sufficiency. Our agency will be able to rent another location that will provide housing, utilities, food, clothing, furniture and household goods, prescription assistance (if needed) counseling, pro bono legal services (if needed), court advocacy, employment assistance, education, family support, tutoring for the children (if needed), childcare assistance, budgeting assistance, support groups and life skills workshops. Strengthening the family to assist them through their trauma helps them to cope and plan for a violence-free future.

The funding we received from the generosity of the Great Charity Challenge, their sponsors and grantors will allow us to serve even more victims of domestic violence and their children with services that will bring them hope, independence and a strong foundation to move forward. There are so many types of abuse besides physical (verbal, emotional, psychological and financial) that many families remain in an abusive situation because they believe there is no other option. This grant will prove there are people who care about them, their health and well-being and their future.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

The funds received will help Our Sister's Place, Inc. to expand our emergency shelter/transitional housing program by providing a safe and confidential location for victims of domestic violence. Housing and caring for



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them while they heal both physically and emotionally is the foundation of their ability to move forward and Our Sister's Place, Inc. will now be able to increase our shelter/transitional sites.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Sweets Foundation, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.sweetsfoundation.org](http://www.sweetsfoundation.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$8,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 700-1000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 500

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds will allow us to reach more students via our Beyond the Basics Program which identifies specific and general needs of Palm Beach County School Children. General needs that we have supplied in the past include school supplies such as pencils, notebooks and books for students. We have also sponsored after school tutorial sessions. Individual needs that we have met have included sneakers, sleeping bags, hot water heater repairs, cooking supplies, personal hygiene items (toothpaste, shampoo, etc.) and other items that students have indicated that they need at home to be better prepared for school. This grant should allow us to help about four additional schools, or approximately 500 more students than we could have this year.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds will help expand our reach into new schools, which should increase our exposure to the community. This will help grow our organization.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Caridad Center](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.caridad.org](http://www.caridad.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$6,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Annually, Caridad Center serves 6,000 uninsured children and families with free medical, dental, and vision care. In addition to our in-house services, Caridad touches an additional 11,000 individuals through health and outreach events in Palm Beach County.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 109 children



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Caridad Center is the largest, free comprehensive clinic in Florida. Our mission is to eliminate the cycle of poverty among low income, minority populations. Many of Caridad's patients are chronically ill, and ineligible for government subsidized insurance programs. Through this grant, Caridad Center expects to be the safety net for 6,000+ underserved, uninsured families of Palm Beach County. This \$6000 will cover a medical visit for 109 children who would otherwise not be able to afford medical care. The cost to Caridad Center for providing free medical care to the undeserved is only \$55 per visit thanks to our amazing volunteer doctors.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS WILL BE UTILIZED**

This \$6000 will cover a medical visit for 109 children who would otherwise not be able to afford medical care.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Wycliffe Charities Foundation](http://WycliffeCharitiesFoundation.com)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.WycliffeCharities.com](http://www.WycliffeCharities.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$6,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** As we do every year we are assessing special projects that we help fund from the beneficiary charities we support.

We expect that we assist hundreds of lives through the exceptional organizations we have been supporting.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** One or more special projects will be funded and added to our other fundraising programs, as indicated, we expect to assist a significant number of lives.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The mission of Wycliffe Charities Foundation, deeply rooted in Wellington and Palm Beach County, is to financially assist nonprofit groups in our area that engage in educational, health and children related programs as well as support for the local EMS/Fire Rescue.

WCF is made up wholly of unpaid volunteers who live in Wycliffe Golf and Country Club. Our expenses are minimal and are only incurred in the staging of yearly fundraisers such as our golf tournament, bike/walkathon, raffle drive, our shredding event and tribute cards.

Our charter requires that all funds we distribute go to local Palm County 501c(3) non-profits. Each year we accept written grant requests from local groups. Each group then goes through a vigorous vetting process.



Once selected and money has been granted, our foundation monitors the use of these funds and maintains a close ongoing relationship. Based upon the good works achieved, some of the organizations have received distributions for multiple years.

This year we were fortunate to have been selected to participate in the Great Charity Challenge again and granted \$6000. We are grateful to the Bellissimo family. The money we will be receiving will enhance our ability to continue our support of exceptional local charitable causes.

In this past year, Wycliffe Charities Foundation identified and reported on specific projects from our beneficiary organizations and we were very pleased with the result of the effort. As we did last year we intend to ask all the charities to apply for grants for specific projects and select those with the greatest potential to significantly impact the areas aligned with our mission. We are confident that our monitoring and close relationships with the groups selected will assure the funds achieve maximum results for the benefit of the Wellington and the Palm Beach County community.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

The Great Charity Challenge grant of \$6,000 will enable us to support worthwhile projects in education, children and adult health programs and our local EMS-fire rescue in Palm Beach County.

**CHARITY NAME:** CityHouse Delray Beach, Inc.

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.cityhousedelray.com](http://www.cityhousedelray.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 6 mothers, 12 children

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 6 mothers, 10 children

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The funds received from The Great Charity Challenge will be used to help provide hope and renewal to homeless single mothers and their children through our long-term, transitional housing program. Specifically, the funds will be used to provide affordable, stable housing to the CityHouse families while they work on improving other areas of their lives such as, focusing on education (obtaining GED, attending college classes, and participating in life skills development) and employment (building their resume, applying for jobs, and learning interview skills). Also, while the families are in our program they work to improve their financial stability, including developing solid career paths, repairing credit, and opening savings accounts.



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The funds received will help CityHouse continue to gain stability and ultimately unlock other funding sources which will lead to growth and greater community impact. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to participate in The Great Charity Challenge! We had a blast!

**CHARITY NAME:** [The Boca Raton Children's Museum](http://www.cmboca.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.cmboca.org](http://www.cmboca.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 25,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 25,000

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

The Great Charity Challenge funds will be used to maintain the museum's permanent as well as changing exhibits, and provide low cost daily, weekly and monthly classes and workshops for children and parents including, yoga, gentle growers, sensory art, storytelling, movie making, imagination playground, yoga, gentle growers, special events, lectures and private parties. The museum is one of the only child-focused places in the area offering low cost extra-curricular activities to special needs and economically disadvantaged children and their families. Through the Traveling Museum art-reach programs, museum exhibits, and special events the museum provides unique and rich learning experiences for children and families that expand knowledge, promote positive interaction and also complement school curricula.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

75% of our funding comes from individual contributions, government grants and private foundation grants. 25% of funding is derived from program service fees and admissions and these funds will assist us in filling this gap in funding.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Oasis Compassion Agency](http://www.oasiscompassion.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.oasiscompassion.org](http://www.oasiscompassion.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$4,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 943 families (2018)



**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 200 women.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

These funds will be used to pay the deposit on rent for some additional space our agency has been contemplating to expand our services to victims of domestic abuse. We had some adjacent space that became available in our plaza but did not have sufficient funds to take it off the market. These funds will give us 60 days to raise the additional fund needed to secure the space for the first year.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION.**

Oasis works primarily with women and children. We are seeing higher incidences of domestic violence and have decided to expand our mission to serve the victims in this community.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Vinceremos Therapeutic Riding Center](http://www.vinceremos.org)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.vinceremos.org](http://www.vinceremos.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$4,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 564

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 8

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

Vinceremos has been providing equine assisted activities for individuals with physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities in Palm Beach County for 36 years. This funding will be used to grow our equine assisted learning program currently offered to students with intellectual disabilities at the local middle school into other schools. This program is unique - the horses are the teachers and the barn is a classroom. The lessons at the farm follow the educational standards set out by the Palm Beach County Board of Education for this age group and include; a) participate in individual and group recreational activities b) complete routines and tasks according to instructions and expectations c) sequence multiple tasks by establishing a routine, follow a schedule, prioritizing tasks d) follow rules and procedures across multiple locations e) demonstrate the ability to adjust to new routines and changes in tasks, settings and locations. Completing these standards sets these students up for potential employment and contributing to our community. We have been waiting to provide this opportunity to a second school, allowing us to measure the impact and potentially find a funding source for an ongoing program.





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### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

These funds will allow Vinceremos to introduce our equine facilitated learning program to a second school group. Comparison of the results from group one and group two will result in an impact statement to support incorporating this program into more schools in Palm Beach County.

**CHARITY NAME:** [West Jupiter Community Group, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.ewrunnerctr.org](http://www.ewrunnerctr.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$3,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 150 +

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 107

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We will use the grant funds to pay for educational summer camp field trips over the 2018 summer camp. The science museums and aquariums are normally too expensive to bring 107 children to.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION:**

These funds give us the opportunity to add educational field trips that would not have been taken as they have high admission rates that normally prohibit our camp from attending.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Four Corners of Faith, Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.fourcornersoffaithinc.org](http://www.fourcornersoffaithinc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$2,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Four Corners of Faith, Inc. (FCOF) serve approximately 1,260 homeless and nearly homeless individuals and families yearly, (we serve 65-70 people meals weekly), and numbers are increasing. Four Corners of Faith, Inc. serves over 3,500 meals annually in our Faith Beyond the Walls feeding program.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** FCOF, estimates we will impact the lives of 100-120 individuals.



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### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

FCOF will utilize these funds for our **Faith Beyond the Walls** feeding program, to purchase paper products (to-go boxes, plates, forks, spoons, napkins, cups, tablecloths, serving pans, warmers etc.) for our weekly meals.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The funds will allow Four Corners of Faith, Inc. with a continuous avenue of providing a hot meal every Wednesday to the homeless and nearly homeless in our community. Restoring faith one heart at a time.

**CHARITY NAME:** [YWCA of Palm Beach County, Inc](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.ywcapbc.org](http://www.ywcapbc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$2,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** Approx. 1500

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 67

### **PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

By July 1 we must move from our present Royal Palm Beach Child Development location. We currently rent the facility at a low rate from the Village of Royal Palm Beach and the Council has decided to demolish the building and has not offered an alternative. All space reviewed to date is considerably higher. Thus the funds will be applied to the increased rental or lease rate.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

It will help enable the move of the center and continuation of serving low income children and families in the western community.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Feeding the Hungry](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.feedingthehungryinc.org](http://www.feedingthehungryinc.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$ 1,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 20,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 100



**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

We will buy more food especially meat and some canned goods. While we do get some donations of the above mentioned commodities we never get enough.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Our clients will receive meat and canned good more often. It is one of the commodities people with food insecurity lack then most. We will be able to distribute more meat and canned goods to our clients.

**CHARITY NAME:** HomeSafe

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** <http://www.helphomesafe.org>

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$1,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** More than 16,000 infants, children, young adults and families.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** This grant will assist our therapeutic residential programs for abused and neglected children and teens, serving approximately 100 youth ages 8-17 each year.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

HomeSafe will use the Great Charity Challenge grant to fund spring break activities for the children in our care. We strive to provide a home-like environment in our residential programs, which is critical to promoting healing from the trauma of abuse. Opportunities to enjoy an amusement park, a miniature golf course, a movie, and other activities – things children outside the child welfare system often take for granted – foster a sense of normalcy for our kids during their time at HomeSafe. These outings serve as rewards for good behavior and also give our kids a chance to demonstrate the ability to interact with others outside the group home setting.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Thanks to the Great Charity Challenge, HomeSafe can enable children recovering from the trauma of abuse to experience a typical childhood and create lifelong, happy memories.



## LITTLE LEAGUES

**CHARITY NAME:** [Colts Travel Baseball Inc.](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.wellingtoncolts.org](http://www.wellingtoncolts.org)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$6,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 90

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 90

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

On February 9, 2018, our Board of Directors met to review and vote on disbursement of the \$6,000 Great Charity Challenge grant. Consistent with our disbursement from prior years, this year's will be as follows:

Description	Amount
4 upper-class teams @ \$250 ea. for out-of-region tournaments	\$1,000
4 scholarships @ \$500 ea. for college or advanced education	\$2,000
Updated field equipment / dedication to Lillo	\$1,000
Registration scholarships for 5 underserved families	\$2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,000</b>

We anticipate that this distribution will be completed within 60 days of receipt of the grant. If any additional details are requested, we are happy to provide such.

As a community based, 100% volunteer charity organization, we would like to thank Equestrian Sport Productions LLC, Fidelity, and all of the people and organizations that made the Great Charity Challenge possible. We invite any of you to visit our players in action anytime, so you can see the positive contribution competitive baseball has on their lives!



**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

The grant will help underserved players gain access to a competitive baseball league in their community, where they may not have had an opportunity otherwise. The Wellington Colts (hosted by Colts Travel Baseball Inc.) promotes teamwork, sportsmanship, and athletic skill development, helping our 7 – 14 year old players gain skills, character, and focus which will help them as they begin their journey into young adulthood.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Western Communities Football League \(WCFL\)](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.wcflfootball.com](http://www.wcflfootball.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$5,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** WCFL serves 950 participants between the ages of five and fifteen.

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** We hope to increase participants to over 1000 in the year 2018.

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED:**

WCFL has had 2 large expenditures for 2018. First, due to storm damage, the league had to move and replace a scoreboard on field 10 in Village Park. The scoreboard keeps the participants and spectators informed as watch and monitor the games as they progress. The second expenditure was replacing the league's John Deere Gator. The gator is used to set up / breakdown fields of play, transport equipment and water to fields during game days. We also use it to transport injured players and elderly family members from fields to the parking lot or vice versa. Your generous donation would go toward helping pay for these items. We would include your donation with other fundraising efforts and sponsorships.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

Your donation will help the league continue to provide Wellington and its participants with the high level of service they have come to expect from the WCFL. It will also help maintain the WCFL fields as the premier sports (rec football) facilities in the area.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Wellington Wolves Travel Basketball](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.wellingtonwolves.com](http://www.wellingtonwolves.com)



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**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$4,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 170 children

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 170 children

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED (this is meant to give our donors a true sense of WHAT will be accomplished with the funds, please be as specific as possible):**

This grant that we have been graciously gifted will help pay for gyms for our practices. With the intense Florida heat, we have no choice but to practice indoors and those indoors facilities cost money. This grant will allow us to rent an indoor gym for 3 months this season.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

These funds will help us by allowing more indoor practice times for our kids. It will also help to offset the expenses of competitive weekend tournaments.

We sincerely appreciate the assistance the Great Charity Challenge has provided to our program. We vow to use these funds to enrich the lives of the youth involved in our program.

**CHARITY NAME:** [Wellington Wrestling Club, Inc](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [facebook.com/wellingtonwarriorswrestling](https://facebook.com/wellingtonwarriorswrestling)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$3,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 200

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 200

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED (this is meant to give our donors a true sense of WHAT will be accomplished with the funds, please be as specific as possible):**

We plan to continue to sponsor wrestling tournaments and Wrestling camps. The cost of hosting a tournament including referees, awards and minimizing the fees to enter to wrestle or attend as a visitor can be greatly reduced for wrestlers and families while helping to promote our sport. Hosting a wrestling camp and bringing in a well-known clinician at a minimum cost allows everyone to attend and negates the otherwise travel expenses of bring a large group on an expensive road trip. Finally, we do have to travel around the State of Florida and



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the Country to find the best competition. These funds can greatly reduce costs for everyone so there will be a greater participation as all expenses are reduced.

### **IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

These funds will help reduce costs for all the kids in our wrestling club. This means more participation here at home in tournaments and sponsored camps, as well as around the State and Country. We will continue to grow and serve our community. Thank you

**CHARITY NAME:** [Wellington Wizards Rugby Club](#)

**CHARITY WEBSITE:** [www.wizardsrugby.com](http://www.wizardsrugby.com)

**FUNDS RECEIVED:** \$2,000

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU SERVE ANNUALLY:** 120+ Youth Kids

**HOW MANY LIVES DO YOU EXPECT TO ASSIST WITH THIS GRANT:** 10 Scholarships

**PLEASE GIVE US A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL BE UTILIZED (this is meant to give our donors a true sense of WHAT will be accomplished with the funds, please be as specific as possible):**

Our Annual Registration is \$225 per player. This money will be used to supplement 10 families who cannot afford to play the game of rugby in Wellington. We target those families that are in need and are looking to expand their horizons into the great sport of rugby.

**IN NO MORE THAN 2 SENTENCES, PLEASE TELL US HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED WILL HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION**

We scholarship 25 kids every year out of our 120+ members at the cost of \$5000. This money will go towards funding these scholarships.

**[WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE 79 GENEROUS SPONSORS FOR MAKING THIS EVENT POSSIBLE, AND TO THE 58 NON-PROFITS WHO WILL PUT THESE FUNDS TO WORK IN PALM BEACH COUNTY!](#)**