

LEADERSHIP | BREVARD

Class of 2017

Leadership Action Projects Summary

Big Brothers Big Sisters (Indialantic) www.bbbscfl.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Florida (BBBSCFL) is in need re-energizing its recruitment efforts for adults to become mentors in our service area Brevard County, Florida. Big Brothers Big Sisters carefully pairs screened adult volunteers with youth facing adversity in safe, professional supported one-to-one long-term mentoring matches. We are looking for LEAD Brevard community leadership program to help us create a marketing and outreach plan to help create solutions to identified gaps in service for our mentoring programs, one of which is finding and retaining more male mentors in order for us to create timely matches for youth on our waitlist. One of our ideas is bringing a National Big Brothers Big Sisters Initiative "Bigs With Badges" and being the first Big Brothers Big Sisters in Florida, to launch it. This would help us expand our mentor base and program services for the at-risk youth we serve in Brevard County.

Brevard Homeless Coalition (Melbourne) www.brevardhomelesscoalition.org

This project is intended to assess what the true costs of homelessness are in Brevard County. Team members will collect relevant data from Brevard County Health Care systems including, but not necessarily limited to, Health First, Wuesthoff Health System, Parrish Medical Center, Brevard Health Alliance, Brevard County Health Department, and Circles of Care. Data will also be collected from key members of the Legal system including major city Police Departments, the Brevard County Sheriff's Office and Court offices. The data will focus on the total costs of homelessness, as well as the specific costs for the most frequent users of the services in each area.

Brevard Neighborhood Development Coalition (BNDC) (Melbourne) www.bndcserve.org

Our goal is to develop a plan to recruit and retain skilled volunteers. Giving DOCK children a helping hand today will enable them to compete more effectively with their peers and provide them with critical skills they need in the future.

Objective 1: Recruit regular school year and summer volunteers

Objective 2: Recruit summer specific volunteers (it is difficult to retain regular school year volunteers during the summer)

Objective 3: Develop a volunteer appreciation event

Objective 4: Determine an annual retention rate and a plan to accomplish this goal

Objective 5: Begin delivery of program in October 2016 and conclude in April 2017

Objective 6: Train volunteer coordinator on program. At the conclusion of the LEAD Brevard program, the plan should be able to be executed by a part time volunteer coordinator.

Objective 7: Conduct a volunteer questionnaire (we do have a previous study with results available)

Objective 8: Analyze data from volunteer tracking software to identify any trends

Cancer Care Centers of Brevard Foundation, Inc. (Melbourne) www.cccfoundationinc.org

The Cancer Care Centers of Brevard Foundation would like to improve the way they deliver coordinated information to cancer patients navigating the ins and outs of their cancer journey. Much of the Foundations information currently available on financial aid and other support options is not conveniently organized. The Foundation seeks to design and implement an electronic or hard copy support guide for cancer patients and their families based on their personal, financial, medical, spiritual or emotional needs.

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Children’s Home Society of Florida (Melbourne) www.chsfl.org

As the non-profit partner of the community school initiative at Endeavour Elementary, CHS is requesting LEAD Brevard Leadership Action Project members to help us develop “**Parent University**”, a venue to educate, engage, inform, and empower Endeavour’s parents and caregivers. Because parent/caregiver engagement is so crucial to student academic and social success, **Parent U** seeks to encourage parents to take an active role in their student’s education while enhancing their own.

Florida Wildlife Hospital & Sanctuary (FWH) (Palm Shores) www.floridawildlifehospital.org

“ensuring that nature and Space Coast residents continue to thrive together”. This is a branding and marketing campaign to raise awareness and ensure all Space Coast residents are aware of and support the activities of FWH to rehabilitate and return wildlife to their natural habitat. Goals include educate the public, brand FWH and encourage greater public participation in the hospital.

Greater Titusville Renaissance, Inc. (Titusville) www.greatertitusville.com

The GTR Youth Academy is about building future leaders of our community. Starting with middle and high school students, GTR plans to launch a new program that provides an educational piece for youth to learn the importance of civic responsibility and volunteerism and also provide a resource for volunteer opportunities for youth seeking volunteer hours. The project has two parts. The first part of the project would be to create a professional video and presentation package that volunteer leaders could bring to the classroom. This would also include coordinating with the Brevard County Schools to bring the program to the classrooms. The second part of the project would be to create a one-stop, online location that houses a database of community non-profits with a list of age appropriate volunteer opportunities for students.

The US Space Walk of Fame Museum (Titusville) www.spacewalkoffame.com

The museum has the plan for a dynamic new county-wide endeavor that will officially be known as “STEAM Space.” STEAM Space is an expansion of our existing education program and is a multidimensional initiative designed to foster high-tech education, workforce development and youth motivation opportunities in Brevard County. STEAM Space will offer classes, camps, competitions, mentoring and after-school activities tied to the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math disciplines. The LAP team will work with our Education Director to help develop intellectual materials for the program; conceptualizing a class or camp that would tie to one or more of the STEAM disciplines; developing lesson plans that tie to the STEAM disciplines as well as to displays or artifacts in the museum; preparing promotional materials that will be distributed to schools, local youth agencies and other venues in the county where at-risk youth might be identified for the program. Develop concepts and promotional content for two camps in 2017 and develop five new lesson plans for our STEAM Saturdays in 2017. We further plan to develop content for a media packet.