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We believe... you cannot just try to fix problems, for kids, teens, or families but must work to create positive opportunities for them to succeed.

We support our community through a holistic approach to health and healthy families, integrating good nutrition, education, fun and positive opportunities into the daily life of our center. We turn no one away, and we tailor our activities and services for kids, teens and adults alike to meet the needs that arise in the community.

Youth & community space open 5 days per week

Free community meals 2 nights per week

Teen outreach program

Youth games & activities

Music Classes

Art Workshops

Parent Support Group

Senior Exercise & Yoga

Toddler Play Groups

Farmers Market

Community Gardens

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Community Events, Concerts & Movies



Ending homelessness one woman – one family – at a time!

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The mission of Women's Empowerment is to educate and empower women who are homeless with the skills and confidence necessary to get a job, maintain a healthy lifestyle, and regain a home for themselves and their children.

Since their inception, Women's Empowerment has served 1,224 women and more than 2,500 children (all of whom we know by name). In 2014, 89% of women regained a safe home for their children and 88% of women secured a job or enrolled in school/training.



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Our mission is to end the cycle of poverty and transform our community by empowering families and youth to succeed in education and achieve life-long self-sufficiency.

or families coming to us from poverty, homelessness and domestic violence, hope is often the only thing that has kept them going. Becoming part of our family and having people who not only believe they can succeed but are dedicated to coaching them in realizing their goals is life-changing. “You can do it” becomes “I can do it” and leads to “I did it!” Throughout, our parent scholars recognize and appreciate that the support they received kept them hopeful and focused.

Last year, Family Scholar House served 2,479 single parents with 3,952 children – all in need of a second chance, a fresh start and someone to believe in them. With residential and nonresidential programs and services, disadvantaged families find encouragement and renew their hope for brighter futures.



Friends of the Children – Boston Inc.

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Friends of the Children – Boston is a chapter of a nationwide organization dedicated to breaking the cycle of generational poverty through salaried, professional mentoring.

We select the children facing the highest risks.

Our children are statistically at serious risk of continuing the cycle of poverty in their own lives.

- 1 60% have parents who did not graduate high school.
- 2 50% of our youth have parents who were incarcerated.
85% of our youth were born to a teen parent

We employ and train salaried, professional mentors called Friends.

Moving mentorship out of the volunteer realm is a key component to getting the quality, consistency and commitment that our children need. Learn how our model works.

We commit for the long term.

We commit to every child for the long term, from kindergarten through high school graduation. 12 ½ years. No matter what.

We focus on the complete transformation of each child.

Each child gets a dedicated, one-on-one Friend who spends a minimum of 16 intentional hours per month with them. We develop a road map for each child and design activities to build life skills. We create meaningful experiences to explore each child's unique talents and interests.

We work in and with the child's community.

Friends spend time in each child's home, school, neighborhood, and community. They are able to provide continuity in these often unstable environments and to serve as a link between the different facets of the child's life. This means we advocate for children at their school and become someone their family trusts in emergencies.

We evaluate, measure, and improve.

We are in an ongoing longitudinal randomized control trial conducted by researchers affiliated with the University of Washington, Princeton University, and University of Oregon. We are also assessed annually by an independent third-party evaluator. This allows us to continue to identify ways to make our program stronger.

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To ensure at-risk students from Pittsburgh's urban core have the support to graduate from high school prepared to pursue a career and post secondary education. We accomplish this goal through collaboration with the family, the school, employers and the community. We provide one-on-one mentoring, job development and career exploration, while teaching the students important virtues such as dependability, accountability and responsibility.



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Our mission is to provide the District of Columbia children, youth and adults with technology-driven education, information and skill development for sustained futures. We carry out our mission by using technology in innovative ways. We help people in need gain marketable workplace skills in the information technology field to include teens still in high school. We also help the children of these families who are not scoring at proficient levels in school gain academic enrichments in key subjects and expose them to various levels of technology.

We have six core values that guide us in carrying out our mission, vision and other responsibilities. We are committed to practicing these principles in all situations, such as decision-making, risk taking and problem solving for our organization.

Our six Core Values are:

Accountability

- 3 Individual and leadership responsibility for actions, acknowledging mistakes and working to correct them
- 4 Sincerity and reliability in interactions

Integrity

- Requiring and modeling ethical behavior and always being truthful with clients, funders and partners
 - Consistency in actions

Client Service

- Hold client service and client interest as a top priority
- Consider long-term client needs, as well as short-term demands
 - Deliver on commitments made to the client
- Take personal responsibility for improving service to the client

Entrepreneurship

- Accept and reward risk taking in order to pursue opportunities that will benefit the overall organization
 - Encourage creative thought and action
 - Capitalize on opportunities created by changes in the market
 - Inspire others with a compelling vision

Perseverance

- Steadfast in purpose
- Striving for excellence
- Commitment to accomplish a task in support of the mission, despite obstacles that arise

Results-Oriented

- Focus on outcomes

Commit to client satisfaction, making the client's needs our first priority

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Junior Achievement of South Florida was founded locally in 1959 by the Fort Lauderdale Rotary Club and served just 373 high school students during its first year. Programs now span grades K-12, with age-appropriate curricula designed to teach elementary students about their roles as individuals, workers, and consumers and to prepare middle grade and high school students for key economic and workforce issues they will face. Junior Achievement programs reached over 48,000 Broward and south Palm Beach County students during the 2014-2015 school year.

Our Core Purpose

To inspire and prepare youth to succeed in a global economy.

JA's Educational Focus centers around:

- Entrepreneurship
- Financial Literacy
- Workplace readiness

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Neighborhood Ministries' mission is to break the cycle of poverty in impoverished, inner-city Phoenix by holistically loving, serving, and bringing life-transforming hope and power to families in the community. At NM, we provide both Outreach and Empowerment programs. Our Outreach programs are designed to meet our clients' most basic needs including food and clothing assistance, safety, youth programs, crisis housing, and medical and dental services. Our Empowerment programs have grown out of our long-term relationships, realizing that the children we serve need case management, academic support, college or trade school placement, and workforce development.

Since 1982, Neighborhood Ministries has:

1. Provided the basic necessities to the under-resourced in the urban Phoenix community.
2. Provided a safe, alternative place where community youth can congregate after-school and engage in enriching activities such as sports, the arts, etc.
3. Provided the urban Phoenix community with resources necessary to break the cycle of poverty and abuse that has existed for generations.
4. Provided a place where whole families are nurtured, from the parents to the children, promoting family unity and community responsibility.

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Since 1979, Sisters Of The Road has been an essential part of the Old Town/Chinatown neighborhood. Sisters offers a space to build community, empower ourselves, learn from one another, dine with dignity and organize for justice and human rights for all.

Sisters' Mission

Sisters Of The Road exists to build authentic relationships and alleviate the hunger of isolation in an atmosphere of nonviolence and gentle personalism that nurtures the whole individual, while seeking systemic solutions that reach the roots of homelessness and poverty to end them forever.



Women's Bean Project

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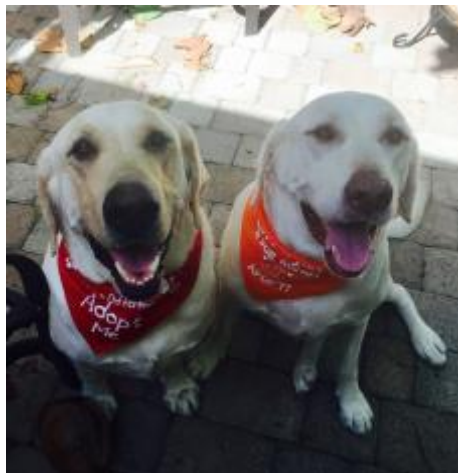
The Women's Bean Project - "Where a woman earns her future" - changes women's lives by providing stepping stones to self-sufficiency through social enterprise. It employs chronically impoverished, unemployed women in transitional jobs in gourmet food and handcrafted jewelry manufacturing that provide immediate income. Its staff arranges support services to overcome barriers to employment (such as the need for child care, training and transportation), and helps women earn the job readiness skills needed to get and keep a job. One participant says, "The Women's Bean Project doesn't hire women to make and sell bean products. It makes and sells bean products to hire women."



Florida Keys Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

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This grant was made possible through the sale of merchandise at Jimmy's Key West show at the historic San Carlos Theater.

The Florida Keys SPCA is dedicated to promoting the humane treatment of all animals through compassionate care, adoption, education, population control and humane law enforcement.

Our primary goal is to place all adoptable animals into caring, loving, lifelong homes. We are working toward this goal by reducing companion animal overpopulation. All animals adopted from our shelter are spayed and neutered prior to adoption. We provide low-cost and free spay and neuter surgeries to the companion animals of our community. In addition, we work diligently with other humane organizations in the Florida Keys to reduce the number of feral cats through trap, spay/neuter, and release projects.



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Farmers in Bas Gormand were concerned over the current state of their irrigation canals. Due to a state of disrepair, the canals cannot filter the necessary amount of water to fields during the dry season. During the rainy season, the canals overflow, and the one bridge linking the community to outside markets is not accessible even with SUVs. With funding from SFC in the rural community of Bas Gormand, FAVACA hired local workers to hand-dredge and clean canals, lay down pipes, and construct a small bridge to allow the community access to clean water, outside markets, and to sell their produce. Singing for Change completed its 4-year commitment to funding infrastructure rebuilding in Haiti this year, but we hope to continue working with FAVACA in Jamaica and Haiti on similar agriculture projects to spur self-sufficiency in areas that can need technical assistance and some small grants.



globalbike

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globalbike is a grassroots non-profit that supplies bicycles in third world countries to health care workers in

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poverty-stricken areas. Check out this worthwhile cause here. The globalbike cycling team will be raising money throughout the season to provide bicycles to workers who would otherwise walk to perform critical functions such as delivering HIV/AIDS medication in Zambia. On a bike, these people can travel three times farther, carry five times as much, and see three times the number of people. globalbike was founded with a simple mission: use the transformative power of bikes to create positive social change in the developing world. Its contagious vision is a world where bicycles and creative partnerships provide those in need with access to health care and services vital to their collective prosperity.

Unique in the nonprofit community and in the cycling world, the Globalbike Cycling Team (presented by Catoma Adventure Shelters) is the main marketing effort of globalbike. Are you ready for a road racing team, totally different than anything you've seen before, that is quickly ascending the ranks to become a professional squad in the years to come? At the beginning of 2011, it stands poised to rock the world of bicycle racing by continuing its dominance in the Southeast Region, making its presence felt on the National scene. Along the way, the team spreads the word of globalbike - bikes that make a difference for those most in need. By reading this, you are already part of the globalbike movement. Globalbike Cycling welcomes you to visit the races to learn how you can make a global difference with your cycling passion!



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IPM (International Partners in Mission) works across borders of faith and culture on behalf of children, women, and youth to create partnerships that build justice, peace, and hope. The IPM Family comprises donors, friends, and partners who reflect the rich diversity of the global community while remaining grounded in four core principles: facilitation, global

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awareness, personalization, and shared partnership. IPM partners with over 70 community-based organizations worldwide, providing them with funding and technical assistance. IPM also conducts Immersion Experience programs, which offer groups and individuals short-term travel opportunities to learn and share one-on-one with Project Partners. Through all of its programs, IPM strives to provide an alternative, effective, and personal way to participate in projects that promote justice, peace, and hope.



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Harlem Grown transforms abandoned community lots into accessible gardens in partnership with local public schools and the community. Work in the gardens is integrated with school curricula, thereby providing opportunities for inner-city youth, their teachers, and family members, to experience nature and farming. Harlem Grown focuses on food justice issues, while increasing the capacity of communities and students to access nature, green spaces, and to expand their range of healthy foods. Harlem Grown also engages communities in nutritional and outdoor educational activities. It creates and facilitates hands-on projects for at-risk youth, and offers educational programs that allow low-income populations to learn about agriculture, nutrition, food sourcing and business. SFC funded its new greenhouse, which gives students and the greater Harlem community a year-round growing and learning space. The greenhouse will house expansion of initiatives currently in place:

The Explorer's Club, a science program that serves approximately two hundred students during the school day, and twelve to fifteen students on the weekends. Licensed teachers and assistants will teach earth science and nutrition education, and create a curriculum specific to the population served. Current resources restrict the program to 2 days a week, including a weekend class.

The Outdoor Classroom, that provides students with an opportunity to learn by doing. Through planting and

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garden maintenance activities, students tend to the growing space and participate in every phase of food production from seed to plate.



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The Civic Incubator inspires entrepreneurs and strengthens early-stage “civic ventures.” It embraces service and civic engagement as fundamental to a purposeful life and essential to healthy communities. It serves as the platform which entrepreneurs are able to launch and scale new ventures that inspire, equip and mobilize people to drive positive change.

The Civic Incubator helps civic entrepreneurs in three ways: Civic Accelerator – Points of Light has partnered with Village Capital to launch the first startup accelerator program focused on civic ventures. The program includes mentoring, entrepreneur education, peer support and networking. Singing for Change is helping sponsor a nonprofit called Project Greenwave in this program.

<http://www.thimbleislandoysters.com/innovation-lab/>

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It is one of first 3-D farms in the US, using the entire water column to grow a variety of species — ranging from sugar kelp and oysters to mussels and scallops. Along with a consortium of scientists, chefs and engineers, it developed a system for growing seaweed and shellfish to help curtail ocean acidification, generate sustainable source of biofuel, and ensure healthy — and delicious! — local food for local communities. But it isn't thriving financially and is struggling to replicate, so it needs the experts eye and ear of the Civic Accelerator...

Ventures in Residence – They help entrepreneurs launch, grow and scale their civic ventures. They provide strategic and operational support for a period of one to three years including strategy and networking, finance, human resources, marketing and communications, systems and infrastructure.

Mergers and Joint Ventures – They will pursue strategic mergers and joint ventures in areas where there is a market gap, shared interests, and entrepreneurs and organizations are aligned with Points of Light's mission, values, networks and growth strategies.

These ideas become programs, social enterprises, nonprofits, and joint ventures-each aimed at putting people at the center of change and advancing civic engagement around the world.



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Founded by writer, radio personality and philanthropist Mitch Albom, the charities of S.A.Y. Detroit help the poor and homeless of Motor City with shelter, medical care, job training and transitional housing. The money donated to Mitch's 2012 Radiothon helped specifically in the following ways:

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1) Continuing the operation of the S.A.Y. Detroit Family Medical Clinic, the nation's first full-time clinic devoted to homeless children and their mothers, 2) Funding for Bright Beginnings, a daycare program for mothers who are undergoing treatment or transitioning back to the work force, and

3) Funding to reconstruct several houses as part of the Working Homes/Working Families program, which refurbishes donated residences and awards them to two-parent working families, under the condition that they stay together, continue working, and make the tax and utility payments for two years, after which the home is theirs.

"The contribution from Singing For Change was hugely significant and will allow our charities to continue their work on behalf of our city's most needy," said Mitch Albom and Chad Audi, co-directors of the S.A.Y. Detroit efforts. "We thank Jimmy Buffett, Judith Ranger Smith and all the wonderful people there for caring so much about our city and its people. It was truly generous."



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In 1985, The Doe Fund began with a mission to help the homeless lead independent, productive lives. Since then, they have expanded their programming to respond to the specific needs of targeted populations, including recent parolees, homeless individuals living with HIV/AIDS, homeless veterans, and low-income individuals and families. These programs include:

Day Program

The work-centric model of Ready, Willing & Able has proven so effective for individuals recovering from homelessness, a nonresidential version of the program was launched in 2001. The Ready, Willing & Able Day

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Program is designed to assist those struggling with long term unemployment and returning home from incarceration the hand up they need to successfully re-enter both society and the workforce.

Veterans Program

Launched in 2009 in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the New York City Department of Homeless Services, The Doe Fund Veterans Program serves 138 former servicemen each day at our Peter Jay Sharp Center for Opportunity.

Affordable/Supportive Housing

Our housing programs instill pride and self-respect in individuals who have come from lives of poverty, drug abuse, and crime. The Doe Fund offers an array of supportive and affordable housing opportunities for singles and families.

Youth Initiative

Ready, Willing & Able's Youth Initiative provides targeted services to these young adults, with a focus on education, personal growth and job readiness.



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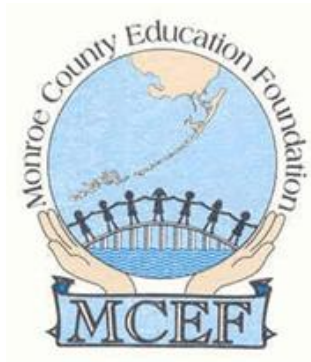
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WINGS for Kids is a social and emotional education program that teaches kids how to behave well, make good decisions, and build healthy relationships. WINGS leaders weave a comprehensive social and emotional

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learning curriculum into a fresh, fun after school program. Kids get the life skills they need to succeed and be happy, as well as a safe place to call home after school. WINGS for Kids opened its doors in Atlanta on September 4, 2012, and will be serving 200 kids until school's out for the summer in June. The grant from Singing for Change supports this expansion of the Charleston, SC-based WINGS program to two Atlanta public schools: Heritage Elementary School and S.L. Lewis Elementary School.



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Monroe County Education Foundation (MCEF) was established in 1996 as a Florida not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing and improving educational experiences of students within Monroe County. The foundation provides financial support as well as sponsoring several programs, each designed to broaden our students' educational experiences and opportunities.

The Monroe County Education Foundation, through its flagship program *Take Stock in Children*, provides funding, summer educational enhancement opportunities, and mentorship to help Monroe County students achieve their potential. MCEF provides access to higher education for Florida students who are at risk of not attending college or university. Through the program, MCEF matches at risk students with mentors, guides students in making smart career choices, and guarantees resources so that Monroe County students may complete a college degree or certificate.

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Since 1998, YES has been changing the face of leadership in America by empowering underserved students in Los Angeles, New York, and Chicago to capitalize on opportunities in their education and career. Growing by 60 new candidates each year, we are currently serving more than 300 children and young adults from elementary school to graduate school.

We offer a proven approach for academic and professional success. With support from YES, these young scholars thrive at every stage of their development, growing into the innovators who are changing the face of leadership in America.
