

Youth Programs Department Monthly Report

MEETING DATE: February 3, 2024

FROM: Jowie Mohammed, Director of Youth Programs

SUBJECT: December 2024 Department Report

PROGRAMMING

Youth Programs provided daily transportation from the following schools:

o Elementary: Greenacres, Liberty Park, and Heritage.

o Middle: L.C. Swain and Okeeheelee.

o High: John I Leonard (on rainy days).

Fifteen (15) days of after-school provided.

• Four (4); full days of Winter Camp programming from 7:30a.m. - 5:30p.m., including field trips and (3) meals served daily.

PERFORMANCE MEASURMENTS

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# of Participants	60	121
# of Participants in Sierra Club ICO	0	0
# of Licenses Coordinated	1	1
# of MOU's Coordinated	1	1
# of Part.'s in Teen Advisory Council (TAC)	8	8
# of Part's in TOP Program	30	30
# of Part.'s in Garden Club	27	27
# of Presidential Volunteer Service Hours	944	10,150

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

GRANTS COORDINATED	AVERAGE THIS PERIOD	FY 2025 TO DATE
Early Learning Coalition	\$24,899.05	\$49,759.83
Parent & Registration Fees	\$12,523.00	\$38,194.00
Youth Services Department SEL Grant	\$7,700.80	\$23,102.40
Textile Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00

C.A.R.E.S REPORT

- On Tuesday December 17th PBSO sponsored 10 youth from Youth Programs to participate in Shop with a Cop. Each student was gifted \$100 to spend on holiday presents and spend time with a police officer. Thank you to Megan Kummerfeld from PBSO for setting this up with YP.
- From December 2nd to December 19th Youth Programs participated in the city-wide door decorating contest where each classroom submitted a winter themed door that the staff and youth worked on. Youth programs completed a total of 6 doors that the kids and staff did amazing work on!
- Throughout the month of December, the CARES Program and the CARES Junior Garden Club continued to get the garden prepared for the upcoming season by planting rows of seeds, watering the garden, weeding, and learning about the importance of butterflies.

TEEN PROGRAMS REPORT

- During our winter camp, the teens in our program actively volunteered with the CROS Ministries Pantry. They worked diligently to sort and pack donated food and essential items that were distributed to families in need within the community. This activity not only provided critical support to the pantry but also gave the teens firsthand experience in community service, teaching them the importance of compassion and addressing food insecurity.
- Our teens demonstrated their creativity and thoughtfulness by crafting personalized Christmas cards for children at Palms West Hospital and residents at Villa Madonna senior living facility. Their goal was to spread holiday cheer and bring smiles to the faces of children undergoing medical care and elderly individuals who may feel isolated during the holidays. This initiative taught the teens the value of small gestures in making a meaningful impact on others' lives.
- The teens in our program partnered with Teen Outreach Program Facilitator, Ms. Tene, to assist in setting up the Winter Wonderland event. They helped with decorating, organizing event materials, and creating a festive environment for attendees. This handson experience taught them teamwork, event planning, and the importance of contributing to community celebrations that bring joy to others.
- As part of fostering community and camaraderie among peers, the teens in our program
 participated in a Secret Santa gift exchange during the holiday season. Each participant
 thoughtfully selected a gift for another teen in the program, creating an atmosphere of
 excitement and generosity. This activity not only strengthened their bonds but also
 encouraged them to practice kindness, thoughtfulness, and the joy of giving.