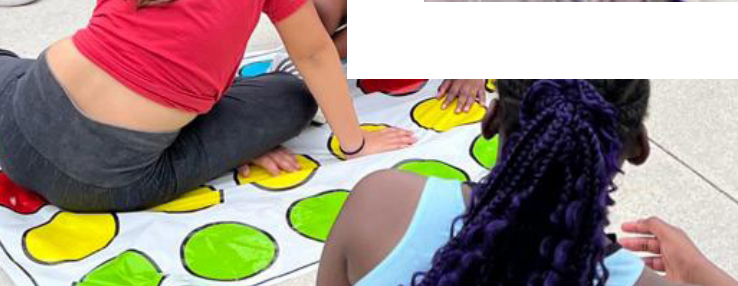


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ANNUAL REPORT

God's GIFT
DISCOVERING YOUR SELF-WORTH





OUR Founder

Dr. Ciara L. Bostick is a motivational speaker, professor, author, and leadership trainer, specializing in millennial leadership and professional development. Her charismatic and interactive approach allows her to strategically impact audiences and corporations allowing them to unleash their personal power to dominate personally and professionally.

Over the course of her professional career, Dr. Ciara has received numerous awards and has been recognized by local and national government officials, including **Florida Governor Rick Scott and President Barack Obama** in 2014.

Dr. Ciara currently holds a Bachelor's degree in Communications from Florida Atlantic University with a minor in Sociology, a Master's degree in Leadership, and a Doctorate degree from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Ciara is also a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

She is also the author of **“Welcome To Womanhood: A Pre-Teen Survival Guide”**, which was released in February 2016. It ranked #12 on Amazon for several weeks since being released.

Dr. Ciara promotes young ladies living their purpose, fulfilling God's destiny, and shining brightly through good deeds. As a mentor and motivational speaker, one of her ultimate goals in life is to spread the message of self-worth to girls nationwide. Dr. Ciara believes that if you educate a girl, you educate a wife. When you educate a wife, you educate a mother- which eventually leads to educating a family.



ABOUT *Us*

Founded September 29, 2009, God's Gift, Inc. is a faith-based organization that promotes a healthy lifestyle by providing mentoring **programs, weekend retreats, career development and training, college preparation,** and most importantly **helping women and girls to recognize their self-worth.**

Over the course of the last thirteenth years, God's Gift, Inc has partnered with Broward County Parks and Recreation to create afterschool programs, summer camps, and 2 nightly teen programs for at-risk children and teenagers in disadvantaged areas in South Florida.

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But the fruit of the Spirit is
LOVE, JOY, PEACE, FORBEARANCE,
KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS,
GENTLENESS AND SELF-CONTROL.
Against such things there is no law.

— Galatians
5:22-23

OUR *Mission*

The purpose and mission of God's Gift, Inc is to provide an environment for women and girls with mentoring programs, career and college preparation, while focusing on their character, leadership, and self-worth.





OUR CORE *Values*



JOY



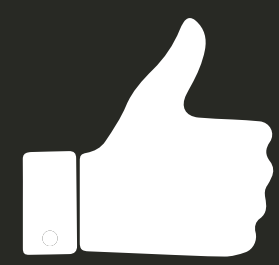
PEACE



LONGSUFFERING



KINDNESS



GOODNESS



FAITHFULNESS



GENTLENESS



MEEKNESS



LOVE



PAST & CURRENT *Events*

- † Baking For Breast Cancer
- † Big Hat Charity Brunch
- † Annual LeadHERship Summit
- † EntrepreHERship Workshop
- † Pajamas, Pillows, and Popcorn Community Slumber Party
- † FightBack Self-Defense Workshop
- † Discovering Your Self-Worth After School Program
- † "I CAN" Summer Empowerment Camp
- † Nova Southeastern University's "God's Gift Day" Women's Basketball Home Opener (October 2022)



A LOOK AT
Our Programs

GOD'S GIFT *Mentoring*



This school-based prevention program for 6th through 12th-grade girls focuses on building leadership skills and increasing self-esteem by addressing such topics as:

- + Faith-Based Life Skills
- + Self-Esteem and Self-Care
- + Goal Setting
- + Substance Abuse
- + Anger Management
- + Relational Aggression / Bullying between girls
- + Intimate Partner Violence / Domestic Violence
- + Healthy Relationships



SISTER TO *Sistah*

Sister to Sistah is a diversion program that provides a turning point for young women through interaction with community leaders and other positive role models that helps keep them out of the juvenile justice system.

This 8-week program gives participants (young women ages 12-18) an outlet to openly discuss relevant teen issues including self-esteem, healthy relationships and choices, nutrition, sexual assault, bullying, gang and violence prevention, and goal setting.

GIRLS ARE REFERRED THROUGH:

- + Broward County Girls Court
- + Florida Department of Juvenile Justice
- + Mt. Bethel Human Services
- + Adult and Juvenile Offenders Service

CAREER *Seekers*

The Career Seekers Internship Program recruits and matches middle school girls with female business professionals throughout South Florida for an 8-week professional development internship, where they will have the opportunity to explore a new career field, shadow their work-mentor, and gain a hands-on experience by performing character building and professional developmental various tasks. This eight-week career exploration program allows participants to identify their career interests, introduce them to professional interview techniques, and equip them with tools needed to succeed in today's workforce.

GIRLS' Day Out

Girls Day Out brings together 150 young girls from Fort Lauderdale for a day of growth, camaraderie, empowerment, and most importantly, to recognize International Day of The Girl. The event encompasses a wide range of activities, including yoga and mindfulness sessions to promote mental wellness, a thrilling 3-on-3 basketball tournament pitting participants against local female law enforcement officials, tug-of-war, kickball, relay races, and much more.

Girls Day Out goes beyond physical fitness; it's an occasion for young girls to bond, learn, and have fun in a supportive and empowering environment. This event aims to boost self-confidence, promote teamwork, and inspire the girls of Fort Lauderdale to achieve their fullest potential.

EVENT OUTCOME:

(Community Partners)

351 Girls
in Attendance



Period Packing Party with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Our Annual Period Poverty Party was held in Lauderdale Lakes, Florida with the surrounding chapters of Alpha Kappa Sorority, Inc. Over 20,000 feminine products were packaged and distributed to local girls group homes throughout Broward County. In attendance were local government officials, including FL State Senator Dr. Rosalind Osgood.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS



\$5,000 Grant
from **CoMerica Bank** for our
Career Seekers Workforce Program

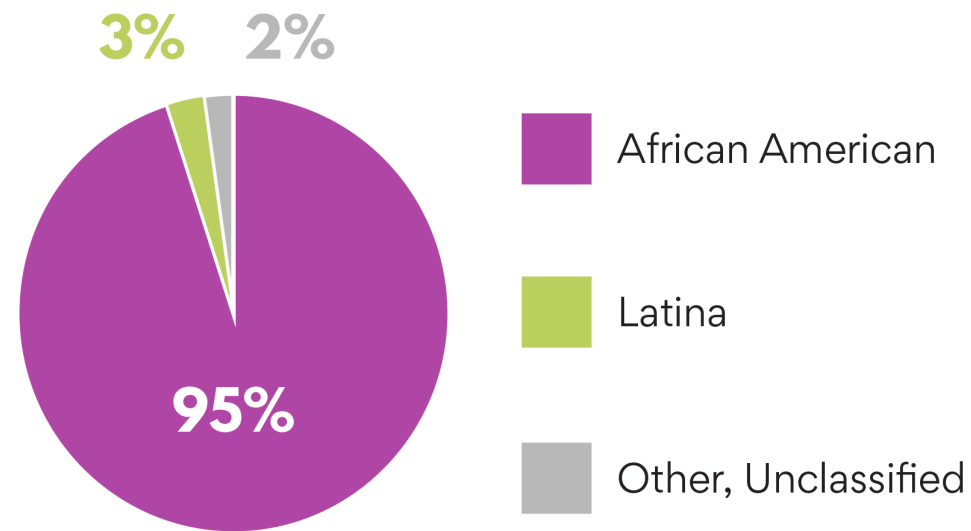


211 Broward
"2023 Collective Impact Youth
Award" Finalist

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THE Demographics



OUR Numbers



100% Mentees make A & B Honor Roll



100% High School Graduation Rate



98% Mentees are active in sports

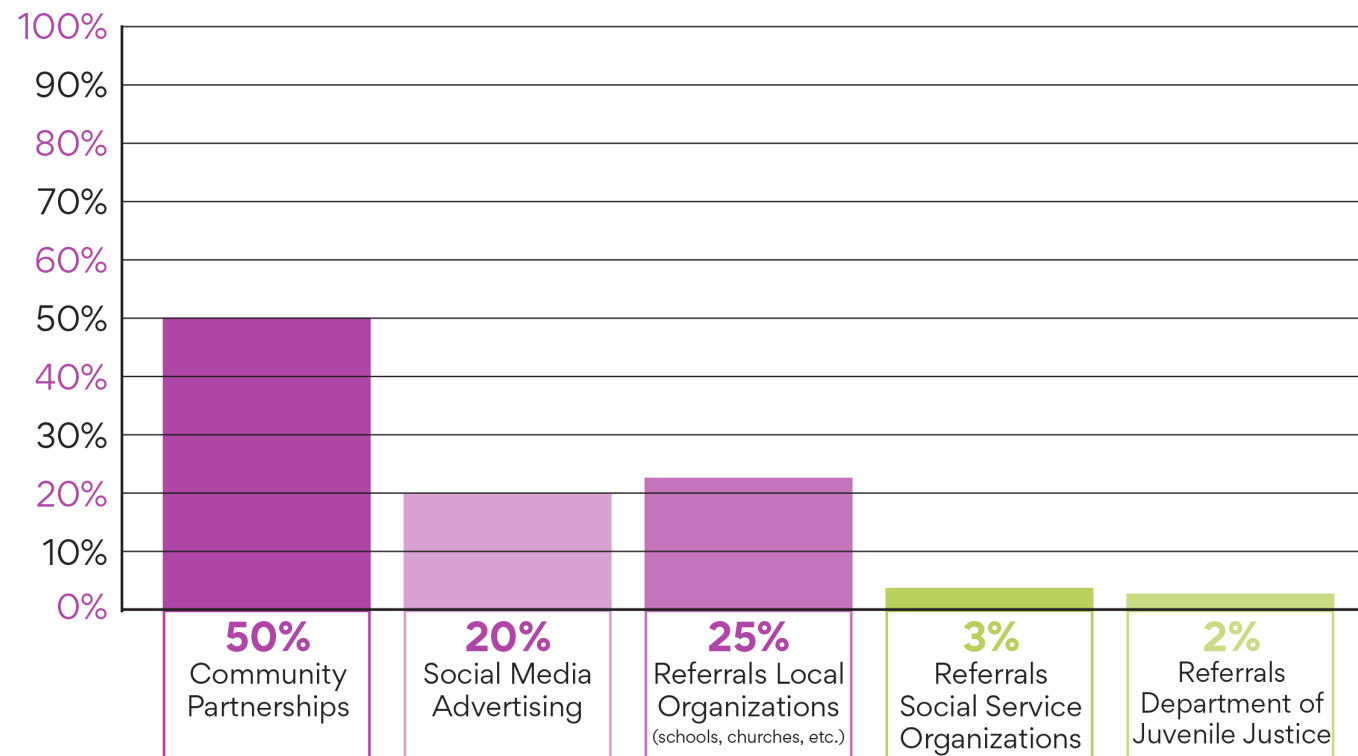
3 Chapters in Central Florida, Uganda, Tanzania since 2009

200 graduates, on average, from Uganda chapter (yearly)

50 Mentees served yearly

700+ Mentees served since 2009

Recruitment STATS



PROGRAM Costs



PARTICIPANTS *Testimonials*



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I love how I form a bond with my sisters in Gods gift and to share unique traits and thoughts of the word of day. Also we learn new things everyday that can help me in the future!

— Trinity

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I came to Gods Gift to make new friends and to be in a Christ centered organization with girls my age. I have made many new friends through this group. From the weekly activities and to the many opportunities I got from joining this group, I can say that Gods Gift has truly given me a sisterhood I could be apart of. The community that we have created, it's always something to do. We truly are like sisters and I am very appreciative that Dr. Ciara created such a safe space for us to be ourselves. It was hard to transition from virtual to in person learning. Making new friends did not come easy to me, but this group made that transition much easier.”

— Paris

ADVOCATING *in Action*



BROWARD LEGISLATION MEETING (MARCH 2023)

Several of our mentees attended the Broward Legislation Meeting to voice their thoughts and opinions on period poverty and the lack of feminine products in K-12 schools.



PERIOD ADVOCACY DAY AT THE CAPITOL

During Spring Break, a few mentees travelled to Tallahassee to meet with legislatures to address the HB389 Bill which allows free feminine products for girls in K-12 Schools.

The young ladies also participated in a press conference with State Representative Skidmore.

COMMUNITY *Partners*



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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BROWARD COUNTY
PARKS & RECREATION

DILLARDS
(WESTFIELD MALL)

FLORIDA DEPT. OF
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