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Programs and Services

F.U.T.U.R.E. (Future Understanding Toward an Ultimate Remedy Through Education) is an Illinois incorporated 501©3 non-for-profit organization that provides comprehensive youth services. Established in 1987, it is an after-school enrichment program that targets the growing youth population in Ford Heights and the lower east side of Chicago Heights. The Organization's mission is to provide both academic enrichment and entertainment activities for youth ages 8-17.

F.U.T.U.R.E.'s programs and services are designed to teach, mentor and inspire youth. Activities include tutoring, mentoring, computer literacy training, life skills training, and health related prevention and awareness training.

F.U.T.U.R.E.'s youth programs revolve around four domains of human development: cognitive; psychosocial; physical; and spiritual.



Academic Enrichment: A major goal of our program is to improve academic performance. We strive to improve the participants school attendance, improve and maintain grades, and to decrease the participants chances of a premature exit from high school prior to graduation.

Life Skills: These activities help to provide personal accountability. It includes mentoring, leadership, and job readiness. This component also includes volunteering and community service.



Cultural Enrichment and Recreation: This program will develop our youth in three ways: 1) to appreciate the creative arts; 2) to provide physical exercise; and 3) to teach the art of competitive spirit through individual and team sports.

Other programs:

Dollars for Scholars: This scholarship program is offered in conjunction with Nicor Gas.

Kwanzaa: This annual event is a seven day observance of the seven principles of Kwanzaa. The principles are explained and examples given on how the youth and their families can incorporate the principle into their daily life.

Art Trek: This event, held in cooperation with the Chicago Southland Visual Arts Coalition, is held annually in October. This year the event featured youth artists from throughout the community.

Toys for Tots: F.U.T.U.R.E. participates with the USMC Reserves to help provide toys during the holidays for all participants in our programs.

According to the 2000 Census, over 97% of the 3,500 Ford Heights residents are African-Americans and over 900 of the total residents are between the ages of 8-17. This means that 17% of Ford Heights' population is youth-generated and could benefit from services from F.U.T.U.R.E.

With 33% of its residents living in public housing, 65% of families receiving Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, and with an unemployment rate of 27%, this data highly suggests that the severe socio-economic pressures in this small ailing village needs the services that F.U.T.U.R.E. can provide to its youth.

Please help us in this endeavor.

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