



IMPACT REPORT

July 2024



**Children's
Bereavement
Center**

Amount Granted: **\$45,000**
Grant Term: 4/15/2023 - 4/14/2024
Program: Grief Education Training -
The School District of Palm Beach
County

Organization Overview

Children's Bereavement Center's (CBC) mission is to empower children, young adults, and their families to adjust to life after the loss of a loved one within a supportive community of their peers and to promote healthful grief, healing, and growth.

Funding Impact

With Quantum Foundation funding, CBC provided their four-part Grief-Informed Certificate training series to 110 behavioral health professionals within The School District of Palm Beach County. The partnership aimed to enhance the district's staff capacity to be grief-informed. After completing the training, staff reported feeling more knowledgeable and equipped to recognize grieving students, discuss grief, and offer appropriate support and referrals, including directing them to CBC's grief support groups. The initiative has also addressed gaps in mental health services, particularly in Title I schools, by improving access to free online grief support resources for students in need.

88.37% of respondents feel knowledgeable or very knowledgeable about grief and loss, a significant increase from the 43.91% pre-evaluation.

79.07% feel skilled or very skilled in providing grief support, compared to only 28.91% before the training.

Participant Testimonials:

"These presentations were very effective in my learning, personal, and professional goals. I enjoyed the participants sharing their personal stories, I hope to be that brave someday. Thanks for sharing. It helps a lot."

"This was extremely valuable, and I now feel much more capable of helping kids going through grief."

Next Steps

Building on the success of this project, The School District of Palm Beach County has expressed interest in training an additional cohort of behavioral health staff. Furthermore, the district is considering adopting CBC's peer grief support model at their school sites.



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Amount Granted: **\$60,000**
Grant Term: 6/15/2023 - 6/14/2024
Program: Pop-Up Farmers Market

Organization Overview

The Palm Beach County Food Bank is dedicated to combating hunger in the region by providing essential meals and support through its various programs. They work collaboratively with nearly 200 partner agencies to address hunger-related issues affecting children, families, and seniors. Their efforts include five key programs: Partner Marketplace, Pop-Up Farmer's Market, Benefits Outreach, Childhood Hunger Initiatives, and Groceries for Seniors.

Funding Impact

Quantum Foundation's \$60,000 support of the Pop-Up Farmers Market program addressed food security needs in the community by providing healthy produce. Participants received biweekly 8-12-pound produce boxes and recipe cards, which improved their diets and promoted healthier eating habits. The investment enhanced the program's reach and impact in underserved communities.



Throughout the grant period, **100%** (288 of 288) of low-income households that received produce from Pop-Up Farmers Market had access to healthy, fresh food.



In 2024, **96%** (130 of 135) of low-income households receiving produce and nutritional information from Pop-Up Farmers Market for more than six months reported at least one healthy eating behavior.



From July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, low-income, Palm Beach County residents had increased access to **75,000** pounds of nutritious food.

Pop-Up Farmers Market partner agencies include:

- Genesis Community Health – Boynton Beach
- Genesis Community Health – Delray Beach
- Genesis Community Health – Boca Raton
- Vita Nova – West Palm Beach
- Palm Beach State College – Lake Worth
- Federation of Families – Belle Glade

Due to its success, the program will expand in 2025 with two new sites for Palm Beach State College: one in Palm Beach Gardens and one in Boca Raton.



HIGHLIGHT

July 2024



Neighborhood Renaissance

Diverse Communities - Strong Economies

Amount Granted: **\$235,000**

Grant Term: 10/16/2023 - 10/15/2024

Program: Coleman Park Renaissance



Quantum Foundation's support of the Coleman Park Renaissance Project is aimed at alleviating the severe housing affordability crisis faced by low-income, elderly, and female-headed households in Palm Beach County.

Additionally, the project's inclusion of 2,860-square-feet of commercial space for minority businesses enhances economic development and community stability.

The \$235,000 contributes to the construction of 43 affordable apartments, providing much-needed relief to residents who are at high risk of homelessness and currently spend over 50% of their income on housing.

To date, Neighborhood Renaissance has closed on financing for the project and has begun construction on four vacant parcels along N. Tamarind Avenue in Coleman Park. Project completion is anticipated for May 2025.



Poured Foundation & Stem Wall – Site D



Plumbing Rough-in Site A Building B



Stem Wall and Poured Foundation – Site G



CONGRATULATIONS!

George Snow Scholarship Foundation Awards

The need for healthcare professionals has always been vital to the health of Palm Beach County's residents. Since 2016, Quantum Foundation has partnered with George Snow Scholarship Foundation to increase the number of under-represented groups in healthcare. This partnership creates a more robust healthcare workforce ready to serve Palm Beach County.

On June 15, the George Snow Scholarship Foundation gathered to celebrate and honor 229 scholarship awardees, among them the 2024-2025 cohort of Quantum Foundation Health Professions Scholarship recipients.

Congratulations Scholars!



Name
Guisselle Aguirre
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South Tech Academy
Hometown
Boynton Beach
College
Florida Atlantic University
Major
Nursing



Name
Teddji Dorleans
High School
Santaluces Community
Hometown
Greenacres
College
Palm Beach State College
Major
Psychology



Name
Bendrick Lindor
High School
Park Vista Community
Hometown
Boynton Beach
College
Florida Atlantic University
Major
Exercise Science/
Physiology



Name
Louckens Phillippe
High School
Santaluces Community
Hometown
Lake Worth Beach
College
Florida Atlantic University
Major
Psychology/Pre-Med



Name
Gregory Ambrose
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Boca Raton Community
Hometown
Boynton Beach
College
Florida Atlantic University
Major
Kinesiology



Name
Fabian Font Valdes
High School
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Hometown
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College
Florida Atlantic University
Major
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Name
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Medical Biology



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Biology



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College
Palm Beach State College
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Biology



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Palm Beach State College
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ANNOUNCEMENT



Welcome, Raphael!

Quantum Foundation's President, Eric Kelly, Board of Trustees, and staff, extends a warm welcome to Raphael Clemente, Executive Director of Palm Beach Venture Philanthropy (PBVP), a division of Quantum Foundation.

PBVP is a groundbreaking venture philanthropy effort, aimed at creating catalytic change by developing solutions and raising capital to complete projects such as neighborhood grocery stores, community-based childcare centers, mixed-income housing, healthcare centers, and other transformative efforts to improve the quality of life for residents in underinvested neighborhoods.

Complementing traditional philanthropy by cultivating new partners, PBVP focuses on high-reward solutions, creating additional paths for impact in key neighborhoods of need, and more.

Together, we look forward to igniting catalytic change in our local communities.