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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SCHOLARSHIPS. MENTORS. HOPE.

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Dear Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County Family,

Welcome to the November edition of the Take Stock Tribune! This month, we invite you to join us in giving thanks for the opportunities we can provide, the lives we can change and the future we can shape together. Your involvement, whether through donations, mentorship, or volunteering, is instrumental in empowering these young minds. We are immensely grateful for your generosity, which allows us to provide scholarships, mentoring and hope to deserving students in Palm Beach County. Your contributions make it possible for these young scholars to dream big and achieve even bigger.

In the spirit of collaboration, we invite you to explore the latest developments within our program. Discover firsthand the incredible journeys of our students and mentors, and witness the transformative power of your support. We encourage you to stay connected, engaged and inspired by the incredible journeys of our students.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County family. Your support amplifies our impact, and for that, we are truly grateful.

Wishing you and your loved ones a warm and joyful Thanksgiving season!

Warmly,

The Take Stock Team



PROGRAM NEWS

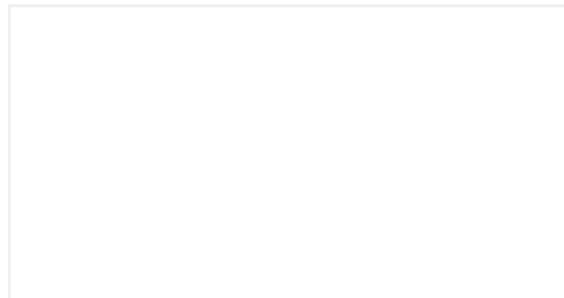
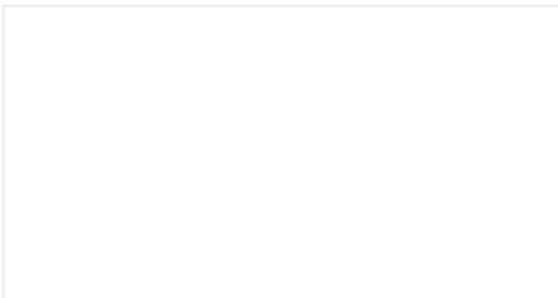


Our Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County team is currently in full recruitment mode, actively seeking new scholars to join our program. We're thrilled to announce that we've already embraced 78 scholars into our program. Our dedication to breaking the cycle of poverty through education remains unwavering. Upon acceptance into the program, each student is paired with a mentor and a college readiness coach, providing crucial support to navigate them through their educational journey.



Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County recently hosted our annual Mentor/Mentee Appreciation event at Drive Shack in West Palm Beach. We're thrilled to share that we had an outstanding attendance of over 165 mentors and mentees, all coming together for a wonderful time filled with food and the chance to forge new friendships. It provided a remarkable opportunity for our mentors, mentees, and the dedicated staff at Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County to strengthen their bonds.

MENTOR NEWS





My name is Tracy and I am an alumnus of Take Stock. I graduated high school in 2000 from Palm Beach Lakes and I went on to Florida Atlantic University where I graduated with my bachelors and masters in secondary math education. I have been a Take Stock mentor for 9 years. This year I took it upon myself to mentor two young ladies, Dayana and Enishah. We first met at the Back to School Workshop at Target. I have been very happy to have these two young ladies and I can't wait to see what the future holds for them. I enjoy what I do as a mentor and will continue this journey as long as I can.

-Tracy, Mentor



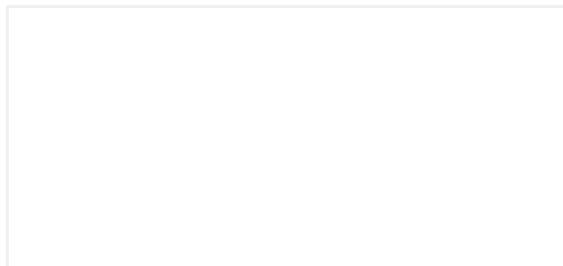
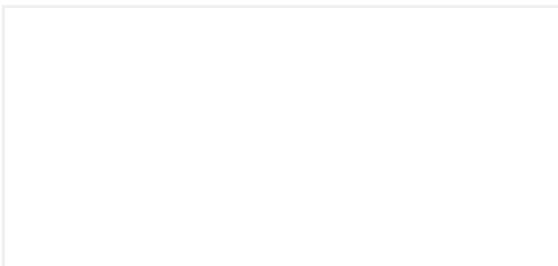
When I first met Miriam she was a quiet/shy young lady as an 8th grader, Soon she started to open up and be herself. Then she joined the softball team where I was the coach and became more comfortable with me. Now she's like a daughter to me. I had the opportunity to travel to Spain to teach this year and Miriam didn't want another mentor, I would think this is challenging because I am so far away and we are doing our sessions virtually, but I love that she wanted to continue and I wouldn't have it any other way!

-Karla Johnson, Mentor

Mentors, don't forget to check out the Mentor HUB for regular updates and info!

[Click Here to Access the Mentor HUB](#)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT





Mark your calendars for 2/17/24! Bridge The Gap presented by Florida Crystals returns for its annual 5k race over the Blue Heron Bridge. Join us for a day filled with fun, fitness and community spirit!

Don't miss your chance to be part of this incredible journey towards creating a brighter future for our students. All proceeds are used to purchase college tuition scholarships for low-income and at-risk students. Bring a friend and sign up today!

[Click Here to Register!](#)



This month we are excited for our 3rd Annual "Stock the Cellars" Wine Auction. In our first 2 years, we raised \$600k, which was then matched 1:1 by Florida Prepaid Foundation. That equates to 300 additional scholarships to support our mission by breaking the cycle of poverty through education and providing opportunities for post secondary education.

We are looking forward to another successful event on 11/18/23. To donate or view auction items to bid, please click below.

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WAYS TO SUPPORT

We appreciate your time and interest in our organization. Take Stock in Children's program model is rated "best in class" by the Florida Legislature, with 98% of our students graduating high school and 74% obtaining a post-secondary credential (compared to only 27% of their peer group). For low-income and minority students, education is the key to success and upward mobility. Take Stock in Children is the single-largest nonprofit purchaser of Florida Prepaid College Foundation Scholarships, with assets totaling more than \$250M and over \$20M awarded to Palm Beach County students. Our scholarship plans are purchased at half-price and matched \$ for \$ through our partnership with the Florida Prepaid Foundation, enabling us to serve twice as many students.

Join us, "take stock in a child today," and help us ensure that all students, no matter their background, have equitable access to quality education.

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