

NEWSLETTER

SAVE OUR YOUTH
HELP THEM
PROSPER



Feature Story

We have been very busy making sure our youth enjoyed their summer! We took 99 children and their families to a Detroit Tigers baseball game on July 26th, then another 50 to our annual Lake Michigan trip on August 5th. In addition to those activities, we hosted a daily Meet-Up-Eat-Up providing lunch to several children in the community at our Youth Lives Matter playground as well as launching our first "Paint Party" on August 7th at the playground.



Mentor's Message



Education is one thing no one can take from you. Stay in school and you will see the opportunities that are waiting for you. Success is your destiny.

Quick Updates

The Youth Lives Matter playground was closed temporarily over the last few weeks as we installed a water line and water spigot for our raised garden beds. Although we didn't get to grow anything this year, we are now setup for next year. The next improvement will be a security night light. The playground hours are currently 11:00 am - 8:00 pm and children must be supervised by an adult. Winter hours are currently TBD.

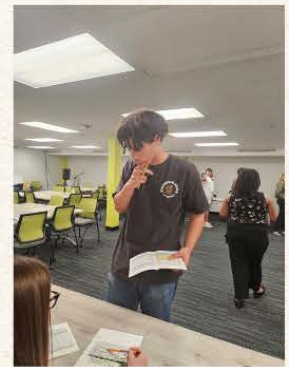
We are in the process of upgrading our robotics program to teach students the connection between the human brain and the programming of a robot. Our goal is to teach youth the link between input, output, and success with a hands on experience in the classroom.

Thank You

We would like to thank the Queens Knights of Columbus and HSCA for their generous donations.

Serving Youth

We partnered with True Community Credit Union this summer to provide a financial responsibility session with our "Youth Career Mentorship Program" students. The simulation took each student through real life scenarios where they were assigned a career and its respective income. From there each student was presented with real life financial decisions around housing/rent, transportation, insurance, entertainment, phone, internet, streaming services, etc. At the end of the session, each student evaluated how well they had managed their finances, and many discovered they had spent more than they had earned and then had to make necessary adjustments to live within their means. This was an extremely valuable experience for our students and is one of many sessions Save Our Youth Help Them Prosper plans to provide for our Youth Career Mentorship high school students.



Recognizing Youth



Our founder Thomas Burke was awestruck when a young author presented him with a copy of her newly released book **"I Want to Be Just Like You"**.

What is unique about the book is that Faith Strohl wrote her story.

Faith wrote a dedication in her book that states:

"To Thomas Burke, thank you for directing the Save Our Youth foundation and for believing in me from the beginning. You inspire me with your ideas and show me what real support looks like. You saw what I was trying to do when I was still figuring it out myself. Your work gives kids like me hope that there are adults who actually listen, who care and who show up to help us build something better. Thank you for being that person".

Thank you Faith for being brave and writing your story!

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Upcoming Events

