

## Bulletin Update - Florida Mentoring

May 4, 2005

### Guardian ad Litem - Congratulations!

The Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office was awarded the Golden Choices Volunteer Award for 2005 in appreciation of their exemplary volunteer service for the State of Florida. It was given by the Department of Elder Affairs on April 25th and was accepted by Dennis Moore, the General Counsel for the State Office.

### Broward County Unsung Hero Event

Combined this year with the graduation event of the 12 grade seniors receiving their Take Stock in Children scholarships on Saturday, June 4, 2005, 11:30 AM, at the Hillcrest Country Club, in Hollywood. For more information please call Ena Rottblatt, TSIC Mentor Coordinator at (754) 321-2580.

### Compassion Capital Fund (CCF)

HHS funds help for faith-based and community groups through two sets of funds. The first set of \$16.9 million, from the CCF Demonstration Program, is available to up to 17 intermediary organizations to provide technical assistance and sub awards. These intermediary organizations serve as a bridge between the federal government and faith-based and community organizations. The second set of \$15 million, from the CCF Targeted Capacity Building Program, is available to 300 faith-based and community organizations for capacity building, to address the needs of at-risk youth, and the homeless, to provide voluntary marriage education and preparation services, and to offer social services to those living in rural communities. For more information: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/>. For more information about the CCF, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccf>.

### Follow-Up Grants: DisneyHand and Youth Service America

Children and youth ages of 5-14, teachers, and organizations that engage youth 5-14 are eligible for this grant if you participated in National Youth Service Day 2005. To access a copy of the grant application, please visit [http://www.ysa.org/awards/award\\_grant.cfm](http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm). Grant applications are due by June 1, 2005.

### New Mentoring Funding Available From SAMHSA

The Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announce the availability of Drug Free Communities Support Mentoring Program (DFC Mentoring) grants. The purpose of the DFC Mentoring Program is to support and encourage the development of new, self-supporting, community anti-drug coalitions that are focused on the prevention of substance abuse in the new coalition's community. Approximately \$2.9 million will be available for approximately 20 new and 19 competing renewal DFC Mentoring Program awards in fiscal year 2005. The maximum allowable award is \$75,000 per year in total costs (direct and indirect). DFC Mentoring Program grantees must demonstrate that they will receive and expend matching funds from other, non-Federal sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The application deadline for new or competing renewal applicants is May 31, 2005. Additional information can be found online at: [http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sp05003two\\_df.asp](http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sp05003two_df.asp)

### Mentor Training Workshop - May 18, 2005

"How to Successfully Recognize and Retain Mentors" from 9:00 A.M. - noon with presenter Lise Landry, Director of the Volunteer Center United Way of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach. Fee \$10.00. For information contact Jennifer Karlson at (561) 655-8887 or [Jennifer.Karlson@cscpbcc.org](mailto:Jennifer.Karlson@cscpbcc.org).

### Angel Soft's Million Family Service Pledge Sweepstakes

Angel Soft is asking people to pledge to volunteer one hour of their time each month for 12 months. Pledges will be automatically entered into Angel Soft's Million Family Service Pledge Sweepstakes for a chance to win \$5,000 from the maker of Angel Soft toilet paper. Angel Soft will contribute \$5,000 to a nonprofit charity or service organization of the winners choice. To sign up: <http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/familypledgesweeps.asp>.

Please forgive any cross-posting and advise us at [FLAmentoring@aol.com](mailto:FLAmentoring@aol.com) if you would like names added or deleted from the Bulletin Update - Florida Mentoring. For prior issues, please visit the Florida Mentoring Partnership, under Monthly Mentoring Update at: <http://www.volunteerfloridafoundation.org>.

### Be a Mentor!

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