

**“CHANGING
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Preparing Today's Youth for STEM Careers and Job Opportunities

Two hundred and forty (240), high school and college students 14-21 years old from the Washington DC area participated in Children & Charity International (CAC) summer activities during 2013 and 2014. These youth joined us from Mayor Vincent C. Gray Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Continuing an 8th year partnership with the

Department of Employment Services (DOES) qualified youth enjoyed an integrated learning experience of academics, work-readiness skills, field trips, team projects and fun with Children & Charity International for 6 weeks from June to August each year.

Fifty-five middle school students 3rd thru 8th grade from public and private schools also joined

CAC and were the recipients of highly informative and engaging summer activities to stimulate the brain and prevent summer learning loss.

All participants enjoyed learning activities that included science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Field trips and social interactions provided real world experiences and fun for the students.



A student explains the 4 key components for work readiness - **Creativity, Cooperation, Collaboration** and **Critical thinking**.

WHAT WE DO:

- Conduct science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) training with outreach activities for K-12th grade students in DC area.
- Provide after-school tutoring and homework help with social activities like dance, art, skits, and ballgames.
- Conduct work readiness and job training for youth.
- Provide mentoring and leadership training for youth.
- Support parents and caregivers.
- Organize field trips, book fairs, brunches and hands-on activities for participants.
- Support international education, feeding, and health-care projects and support disaster relief efforts.

A Message from the Chair

Over the past two years, in partnership with the Department of Employment Services (DOES), District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), Children and Youth Investment Trust, Department of Human Services (DHS), St. Augustine Catholic School, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, businesses, organizations, parents and students, Children & Charity International has empowered over 7,500 youth and families around the globe through education, feeding, healthcare and work-readiness. Our programs impact lives in Washington DC, Maryland, Virginia, the Caribbean, African and European countries. We are a movement that celebrates the creativity and wisdom of youth and allows them to bring their God given, innovative genius to the table.

Special thanks for continued support from faculty, professors, graduates and student representatives from the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) who shared valuable time and resources to ensure we conducted successful programs. Thanks also to our foreign partners that visited from Haiti, Kenya, Uganda and South Africa.

A hearty 'thank you' is extended from the Board of Directors, to the management and staff of Children & Charity International. Your dedication is reflected in our impact and successes. We look forward to greater accomplishments in 2015.

High School youth design and create STEM and work-readiness projects.



Students participate in Haiti Project

CAC coordinated a medical mission trip to Haiti from July 18-25, 2013 lead by Dr. Anne Boyd from Michigan. The aim was to provide much needed health and dental services for poor people in three communities. CAC also provided five (5) days of special services to 1500 local students through Vacation Bible School (VBS), Computer Literacy and English as a Second Language . Five (5) middle, high school and college level students participated in this trip and provided instruction and support for the children’s program. We were fortunate to have Alexis Boyd, a College Junior whose proficiency in French was outstanding and made for easier interaction and communication. Alexis also videotaped and photographed trip activities. Students enjoyed the arts and crafts, music (singing and dancing), and the films. Hot meals and cultural exchanges added fun to the sessions.

This mission is an effort to support the work of Institute of Grace (IOG) project at Miracia Hospital in Merger Haiti. The Miracia Hospital project serves 20,000 residents of Merger and surrounding communities who do not have access to healthcare. The 10 member medical/professional team served over 1200 residents from Merger, Archaie and Jacmel during their 8 days trip. Everyone enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to the next mission trip.

Ebola Relief Effort

As part of the 2014 Ebola Relief Effort, and in support of affected children, and families, the Family Café of Children & Charity International has been working with local on-site service teams to distribute disinfectant, cleaning products and supplies to community residents in Grand Bassa County, Monrovia Liberia.

CAC has been supporting children and families in Liberia for many years through education and job-readiness projects. This Ebola crisis adds a new dimension to our continued support. Updates are posted on the website.

Collaboration

In 2014, CAC joined forces with St. Augustine Catholic School and continued partnership with the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), DC Children and Youth Investment Trust and the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) to provide math and science enrichment, homework help, Job training, apprenticeship opportunities and social activities for youth in the District of Columbia.

We look forward to continuing the task of preparing DC youth for STEM careers and the world of work.





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2015 MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO HAITI JULY 16 TO JULY 23, 2015

Join CAC as we team up with the United Methodist Church to host a medical mission team of doctors, dentists, other professionals and lay people to travel to Haiti in support of Miracia Hospital in Merger, Haiti. The cost is only \$650 per person. If you have time and talent we can use you. Seeking doctors, dentists, teachers, gardeners, construction workers, painters, electricians, high school and college students. French and Creole speakers welcomed.

Get details and sign up. Spots are filling up.

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Donations and Support

Thank you everyone for your donations and continued support that make the many programs and activities possible. Please we need your help to raise \$8,000 to complete a Science Lab and purchase an Inflatable Planetarium Dome to encourage youth in space science and research.



Volunteer in any of our US or international programs to:

- Lend your professional skills and expertise as lecturers/trainers
- Conduct Youth Leadership Workshops and Training
- Teach English as Second Language
- Work in the hospital (doctors, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, etc.)
- Lead/go on short-term missions to Haiti, Kenya, Liberia, Uganda.
- Instruct small farmers and women in micro-business operations

Several Ways to Donate:

- Visit our website and make a donation online.
- Donate through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) to **#11144**
- Send us a check by mail.

All size gifts welcomed!

