

Summer Camp Scholarship Program



"Let us sacrifice our today so that our children can have a better tomorrow." –A.P.J. Abdul Kalam











Purpose

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program is a public and private initiative providing a summer camp experience to children from income-eligible families. Families whose income is at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guideline or meet priority criteria (foster-care, homeless or involvement with the delinquency systems) are eligible to apply for a scholarship. According to the 2015 Census Bureau Survey, approximately 75,729 (28.06%) of children under age 18 are identified as living in poverty (*) in Palm Beach County. Many children spend too much of their day without adult supervision or protection. Often, due solely to their family's inability to afford a summer day camp program, children are left alone in their homes, left in the care of older siblings or unsupervised on the streets. Children who are idle during the summertime are more likely to encounter summer educational slide, join gangs, use illegal drugs or become involved in the juvenile justice system. Without summer camp, hundreds of children are home alone with inadequate childcare and no adult supervision to gain positive outcomes. The summer camp program provides a healthy interactive environment with adult supervision. However, without a scholarship, summer camp is often beyond the reach of most eligible families in Palm Beach County.

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



History

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program (SCSP), established in 1995, has awarded in excess of 36,245 scholarships to Palm Beach County children. Palm Beach County's Youth Services Department - Outreach and Community Programming Division is responsible for coordinating the operations of the SCSP. Scholarships pay full tuition and associated fees for eligible children to attend day camp during the summer months. To be eligible, the household income must fall within 150% of the Federal Poverty Level Guideline or meet priority criteria (fostercare, homeless or juvenile justice involved – http://discover.pbcgov.org/youthservices/PDF/ summerCamp/Priority-Criteria-List.pdf). Camps across Palm Beach County are encouraged to apply to be a Summer Camp Scholarship site and offer educational, recreational, and other programming to meet the needs of Palm Beach County children. Parents are responsible for selecting a camp from the list of approved SCSP providers.

Program Summary

In 2017, SCSP approved 111 camps, of which 97 received children with scholarships during the summer. Of the 97 sites, 75 were Regular Summer Camps and 22 were School Readiness Camps located across Palm Beach County. School Readiness Programs provided a curriculum that included educational advancements to prevent summer learning loss.

Since 2015, when SCSP became part of the Youth Services Department, a Super Spelling Bee has been held to encourage sites and campers to learn vocabulary and sight words needed for school. This year, 117 students from 31 camp sites participated in the competition.

In 2016, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approved additional funding for youth involved in the juvenile justice system to participate in the summer camps. In 2017, additional scholarships funded by Children Services Council (CSC) served children who participated in the Bridges program. Bridges is a program created to help parents raise healthy, safe and strong children. It focuses on providing children with the best possible start in life, so as they get older, they are less likely to drop out of school, abuse drugs and/or end up in the juvenile justice system. Specialty camps piloted this year focused on sports and special needs for autism and related disabilities. SCSP plans to continue to provide scholarships in these areas of specialization in future years. These are a few highlighted moments to show the services the camps provide to the children in Palm Beach County.

As a result of the services provided throughout all participating camps, 2779 children attended summer camp seven (7) to ten (10) weeks for about nine (9) hours per day, increasing their brain power, building their bodies and developing into Palm Beach County's leaders!

2017 Poster



Offers eligible children, a full scholarship to day camp for the entire summer.

Age Requirement

*Special population up to age 17

Requires 5-year-old children to have completed VPK to be eligible.

Includes all tuition and fees

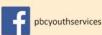
Applications Open

February 2017

camps located throughout Palm Beach County

Families must meet income guidelines. For information & eligibility requirements 1 (866) 728-1427







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2017 Program Numbers

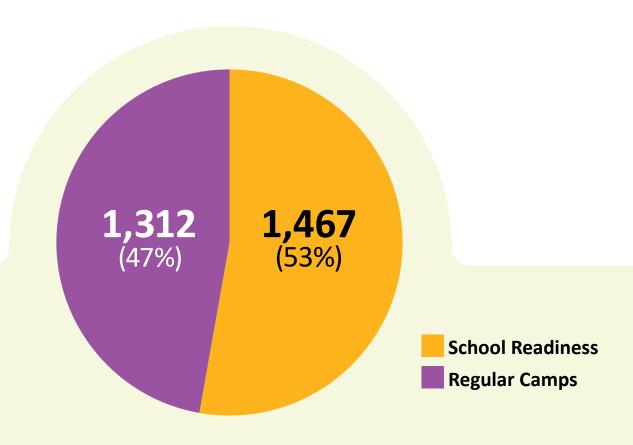
APPROVAL PRIORITY

- 1. Homeless/Foster Care Involved/DJJ Involved, Bridges
- 2. Full-time working parents (32 hours or more weekly)
- 3. Children with special needs that require a supervised daytime environment when parents are working
- 4. Children of part-time working parents (parents working 25–32 hours per week)
- 5. Children who are in legal custody of their grandparents or other family members over 60 years of age (must have court custody documents, not a notarized letter)

- 6. Children of military personnel returned from active duty within the last 12 or 24 months (statement/discharge documents from **Veterans Services**)
- 7. Children of disabled parents or disabled child (parents or child receiving SSDI/SSI benefits)
- 8. Children of parents who are full-time students (ongoing, degree-seeking 12 credits or more)
- 9. Any other child whose family meets the income guidelines

2017 Applicants (Number of Children) **Total number of applicants** 3,743 Wait List **2017 Scholarships Awarded to Special Population 271 Foster Care** Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) 2017 Scholarships Awarded by Camps **School Readiness Camps Regular Camps Scholarships Awarded** 2,779

2017 Scholarships Awarded



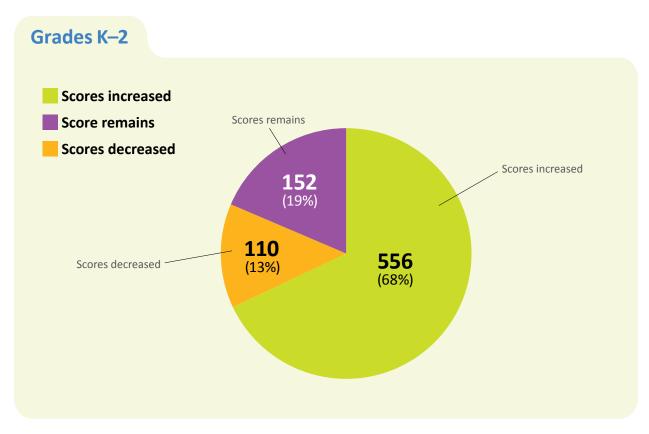
2017 Funding Received

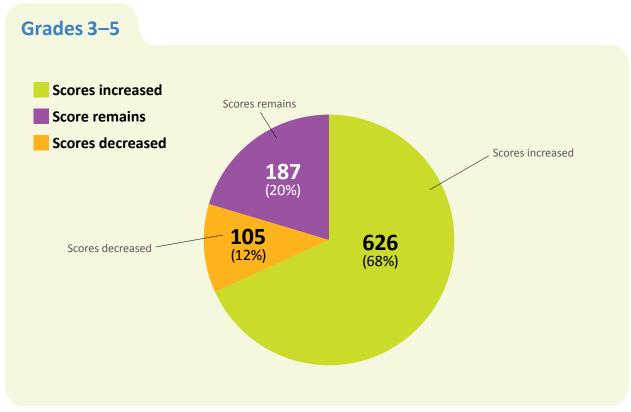
Total Funds	\$2,643,686.00
Children Services Council	\$2,200,000.00
Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners	\$ 443,686.00

Average Cost Per Scholarship Awarded Per Child for the Summer

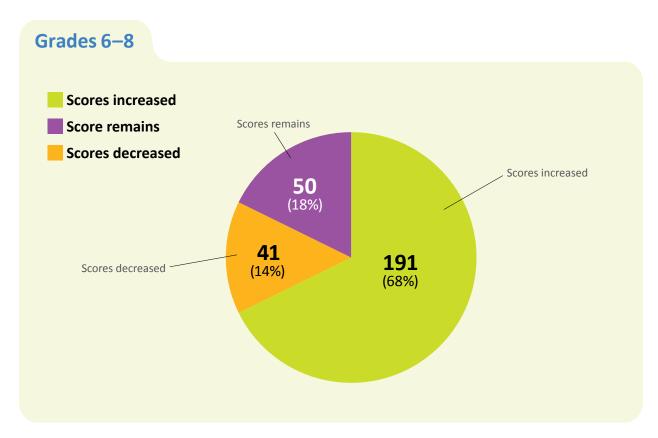
Total Average Cost	\$951.00
Total Number of Children Received Scholarship	2,779
Total Summer Camp Budget Expended	\$ 2,643,582.81

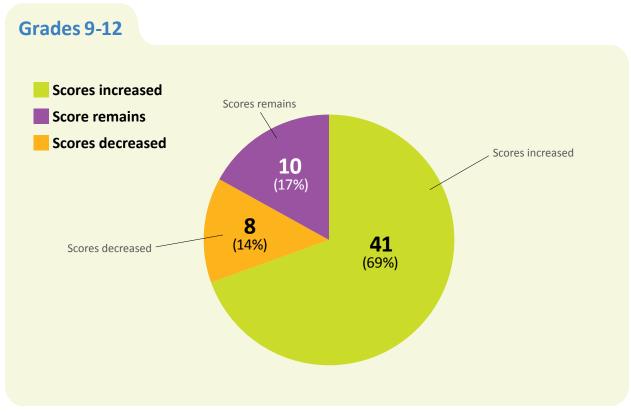
Educational Gains Outcomes





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2017 Regular Summer Camp Sites

A Kid's World of Fun & Learning

A Step Above Early Learning Center

A+ Kidz Academy

Adopt A Family

Atkins Tender Loving Care, Inc.

1133 West 10th Street 2721 RJ Hendley Avenue 1136 West 10th Street 1144 West 10th Street

Belvedere Elementary

Benoist Farms Science & Nature Camp

Bentley's Child Development Ctr

Boys & Girls Club

Belle Glade

- -Glade Elementary
- -Gove Elementary
- -Pioneer Park
- -Teen Center
- -Gladeview Elementary

Boca Raton Canal Point Florence De George Marjorie S. Fisher Max M. Fisher Naoma Donnelley Haggin Neil S. Hirsch South Bay

Camp Fusion-Ephesus Christian Ctr

Change Place Preschool (International Kids Zone)

Children's Ark Preschool Academy

City of Delray Community Center Pompey Park

City of Greenacres

City of Pahokee

City of Riviera Beach

Tate Recreation Center Wells Recreation & Community Center

City of West Palm Beach

Coleman Park Gaines Park Howard Park Community Center South Olive Community Center Vadado Park Community Center

Clifford O. Taylor **Kirklane Summer Camp**

Duo Center

Engrafted Word

Ephesus Christian Center-Kamp Ephesus

Estella's Brilliant Bus

6th Street 7th Street

Family Development Center, Inc. (Lake Park)

Federation of Families of Florida Youth Camp

Royal Palm South Bay

Florence Fuller

West East

For The Children

Barton Douglas

Future Stars Learning Center Inc.

Housing Partnership Inc.

Pahokee Youth Enrichment Academy Pioneer Park Youth Enrichment Academy

Inlet Grove-STAMP (Identity Theft Resource Center)

Jupiter Elementary School

Kidz Exploration Center for Early Development Inc.

Kids R Kreative

Klever Kids Learning (Sabrina Davis)

Life Center Grand Street Spruce Avenue

Lil Kings & Queens Academy

New Beginnings Global Outreach (Little Angels)

North Grade Elementary School

Northmore Elementary

Pahokee Deliverance

Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation

West Boynton Youth Camp West Boynton Teen Camp West Jupiter Youth Camp West Jupiter Teen Camp Westgate Youth Camp Westgate Teen Camp

Pitts Enterprises Inc.

1501 Division Avenue Bear Lakes Middle School

Safe Haven Community

Salvation Army

Slomin Family Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

Small World of Values (The Vines Academy)

Suncoast Christian Academy

Treasure Chest ELC (Girtman Childcare Center, Inc.)

U. B. Kinsey Elementary School

University Learning Center

17th Street 22nd Street

Washington Elementary

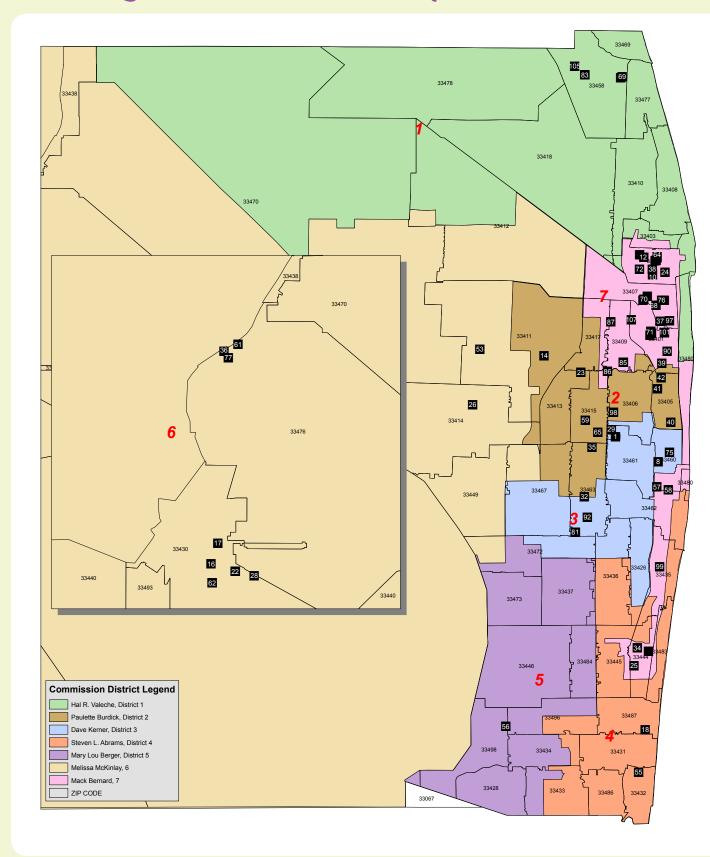
West Jupiter Community Group

Westward Elementary School

Young Men Christian Association (YMCA)

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2017 Regular Summer Camp Sites



Legend

- 1 A KID WORLD OF FUN & LEARNING, 1
- 57 FOR THE CHILDREN INC @ BARTON ELEMENTARY, 57
- 8 ADOPT-A-FAMILY OF THE PALM BEACHES INC, 8
- 58 FOR THE CHILDREN INC- DOUGLAS STREET, 58
- 10 ATKINS TENDER LOVING CARE 1133 W 10TH, 10
- 12 ATKINS TENDER LOVING CARE 2721 RJ HENDLEY, 12
- 61 HOUSING PARTNERSHIP INC: PAHOKEE YOUTH ENRICHMENT ACADEMY, 61
- 62 HOUSING PARTNERSHIP: PIONEER PARK YOUTH ENRICHMENT, 62
 14 BENOIST FARMS ELEMENTARY SCIENCE & NATURE CAMP, 14
- 15 BENTLEY'S CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER, 15
- 65 INTERNATIONAL KIDS ZONE, 65

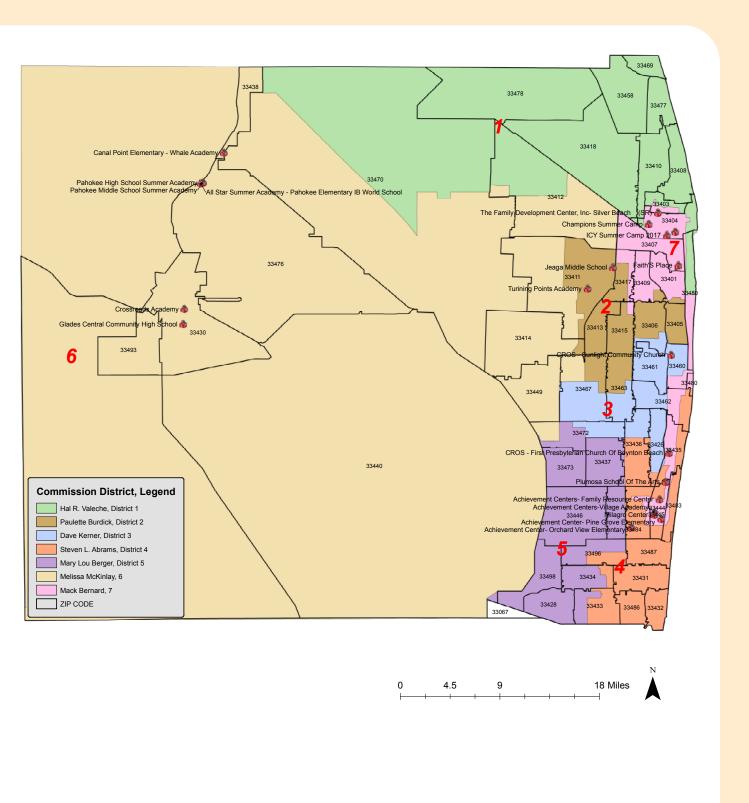
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- 16 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BELLE GLADE #67, 16
- 67 JUPITER ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP, 67
- 17 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BELLE GLADE ELEMENTARY #61, 17
- 68 KIDS R KREATIVE LEARNING CENTER, 68
- 18 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BOCA RATON #80, 18
- 69 KIDZ EXPLORATION CENTER FOR EARLY DEVELOPMENT, 69
- **20** BOYS & GIRLS CLUB FLORENCE DE GEORGE #70, 20
- 70 KLEVER KIDS LEARNING ACADEMY, 70
- 21 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB GLADE VIEW #63, 21
- 71 LIL' KINGS AND QUEENS ACADEMY, 71
- 22 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB GOVE #64, 22
- 72 LITTLE ANGELS LEARNING CENTER, 72
- 23 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB MARJORIE S FISHER #20, 23
- 24 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB MAX M FISHER #40, 24
- 75 NORTH GRADE ELEMENTARY, 75 76 NORTHMORE ELEMENTARY, 76
- 25 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NAOMA DONNELLY HAGGIN #50, 2
 - 77 PAHOKEE DELIVERANCE, 77
- 27 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEIL S HIRSCH #30, 26
- 80 PBC PARK & REC WEST BOYNTON RECREATION CENTER-YOUTH CAMP, 80
- 27 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB PIONEER PARK #65, 27 28 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB - SOUTH BAY #66, 28
- 81 PBC PARKS & REC WEST BOYNTON REC CENTER-TEEN CAMP, 81
- 29 C.O. TAYLOR KIRKLANE ELEMENTARY, 29
- 32 PBC PARKS & REC WEST JUPITER RECREATION CENTER TEEN CAMP, 82 83 PBC PARKS & REC WEST JUPITER RECREATION CENTER - YOUTH CAMP, 83
- 49 CAMP FUSION EPHESUS CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE CENTER,
 - 84 PBC PARKS & REC WESTGATE RECREATION CENTER-TEEN CAMP, 84
- 32 CHILDREN'S ARK PRESCHOOL ACADEMY, 32 33 CITY OF DELRAY BEACH- COMMUNITY CENTER, 33
- 85 PBC PARKS & REC WESTGATE RECREATION CENTER-YOUTH CAMP, 85
- 34 CITY OF DELRAY BEACH- POMPEY PARK, 34
- 87 PITTS ENTERPRISES INC BEARS LAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL, 87
- 35 CITY OF GREENACRES, 35
- 86 PITTS ENTERPRISES INC, 86 89 SAFE HAVEN COMMUNITY, 89
- 36 CITY OF PAHOKEE MAIN STREET, 36
- 90 SALVATION ARMY NW COMMUNITY CENTER, 90
- 37 CITY OF WPB- COLEMAN PARK, 37
- 92 SUNCOAST CHRISTIAN ACADEMY, 92
- 38 CITY OF WPB- GAINES PARK, 38
- 97 THE LIFE CENTER- T.L.C LEADERSHIP ACADEMY SPRUCE AVENUE, 97
- 39 CITY OF WPB- HOWARD PARK, 39
- 98 THE VINES ACADEMY, 98 40 CITY OF WPB- SOUTH OLIVE COMMUNITY CENTER, 40
- 41 CITY OF WPB- VEDADO PARK, 41
- 99 TREASURE CHEST EARLY LEARNING CENTER, 99
- 42 CITY OF WPB-BELVEDERE ELEMENTARY, 42
- 101 UB KINSEY PALMVIEW ELEMENTARY, 101
- 46 DUO CENTER, 46
- 104 WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY, 104 105 WEST JUPITER COMMUNITY GROUP, 105
- 48 EPHESUS CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE CENTER- KAMP EPHESUS, 4
 - 106 WESTWARD ELEMENTARY AFTERSCHOOL, 106
- 53 FEDERATION OF FAMILIES ROYAL PALM BEACH, 53 107 YMCA OF THE PALM BEACHES, 107 FLORENCE FULLER CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER-EAST, 55
- 56 FLORENCE FULLER CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER- WEST, 56

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2017 School Readiness Summer Camp Sites





2017 Application Intake Locations

Applications were accepted at various locations throughout the County:

Community Actions Program

607 South Main Street, Suite 102 Belle Glade, FL 33430

Community Actions Program

1440 Martin Luther King Boulevard Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Community Actions Program

1699 Wingfield Street Lake Worth, FL 33460

Community Actions Program

810 Datura Street West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Community Actions Program

6415 Indiantown Road Jupiter, FL 33450

Community Actions Program

225 South Congress Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33445

Community Services Department

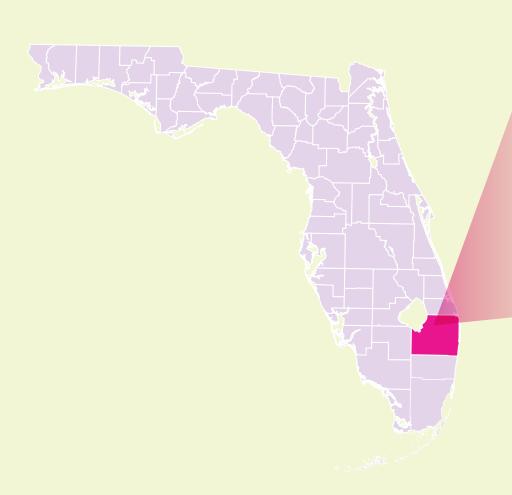
Human Services Division Building 1440 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Riviera Beach, FL 33404

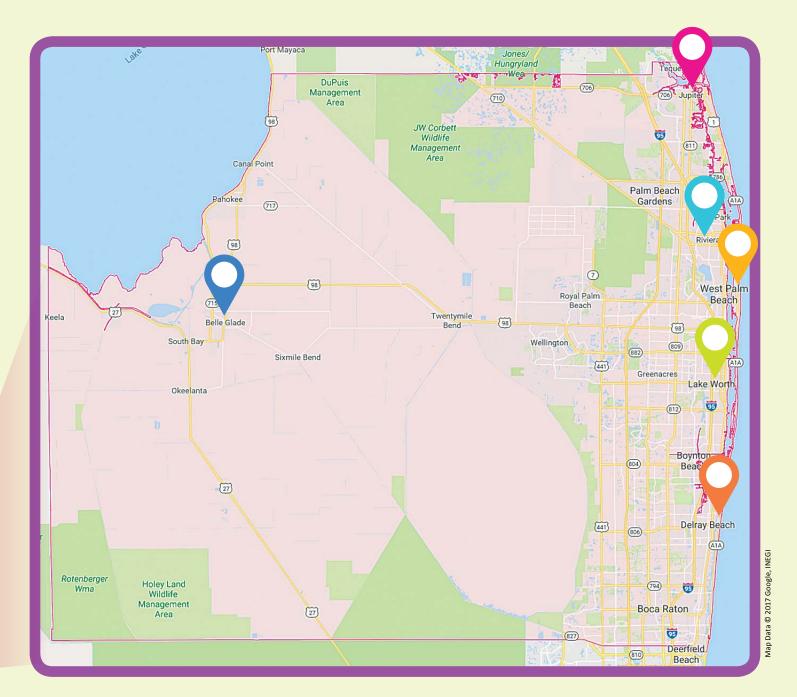
Youth Services Department

2976 State Road 15 Belle Glade, FL 33430

345 South Congress Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33445

50 South Military Trail, Suite 203 West Palm Beach, FL 33415





Legend

NORTH AREA	SOUTH AREA	CENTRAL AREA	WESTERN COMMUNITY
JupiterRiviera Beach	■ Delray Beach	Lake WorthWest Palm Beach	■ Belle Glade

2017 Summer Camp **Application Outreach Events**



Offers eligible children, a full scholarship to day camp for the entire summer. Allows parents to choose from participating camps located throughout Palm Beach County that meet their child's needs and interests.

Age Requirement

Special population up to age 17

* Requires 5-year-old children to have completed VPK to be eligible.

Includes all tuition and fees

Applications Open

February

Summer Camp Outreach

No Appointment Needed! Bring your application (signed and fully completed) to:

West County Government Complex 2976 State Road 15 Belle Glade, FL 33430

Saturday, March 18, 2017 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

1440 MLK Jr. Boulevard Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

345 South Congress Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33445

Friday, March 24, 2017 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

50 South Military Trail, Suite 203 West Palm Beach, FL 33415

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Monday, April 3, 2017 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 7, 2017 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BELOW WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

- Children's Birth Certificates
- ALL ADULTS Photo ID (Driver License, US Passport, Resident Alien Card, Work ID)
- Paycheck Stub for ALL ADULTS in the household
- Social Security Cards for <u>ALL</u> household members
 Proof of Palm Beach County Residency (Utility Bill, Local School Registration, Current Lease)
 - For 5-year-old children: Show proof of participation/completion of VPK Program
 - Guardianship Affidavit (if applicable)
- Documentation of other Household Income, including but not limited to SSI/SSDI/SSA, documentation such as Family Law Case printout from Department of Revenue & Check History, Copy of Court-Ordered Child Support & Custody Documents, Unemployment Checks, if enableship



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2017 Super Spelling Bee Competition

The third annual Super Spelling Bee Competition was held at the PBC Parks & Recreation Therapeutic Center. Approximately 117 children participated from 31 camps. The top three winners from each grade level were awarded with trophies and recognition.



Grade K-2



Grade 3-5



Grade 6-8



Grade 9–12



2017 SCSP Accomplishments

SCSP provided team-building, adult supervision, encouragement of healthy relationships, and mentoring opportunities in 2017.



Arts Education

2017 - 2018 ART & CULTURE EDUCATIONAL GUIDE



SPECIAL RECOGNITION Preparing Tomorrow's Leaders Today Summer Camp was featured in the 2017–2018 Art & Culture Educational Guide of the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County (PBC). The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County expands across Palm Beach County, and for 40 years, the Council has evolved with a primary focus of enhancing arts education.

Decreasing Summer Slide

Decreased summer slide through educational enhancement-as our children engaged in reading, math, science, history, technology, and arts.









Promoting Pro-Social Behaviors

Programs offer inspiration and strive to validate and empower our children and youth to succeed in life throughout Palm Beach County. Camps inspire children to increase their academic achievements through Reading, Math, Science and Character Development through social emotional learning.





We meet children where they are and take them to places they never dreamed they could go! Our children always come first."

- For the Children

Some stories...

We are pleased to provide just a few acknowledgements that we received—one from Sylvia, a grandmother, one from a parent and one from a provider.



Dear Jacqueline,

Thank you so much for working so hard to make sure my grand children would have the greatest summer ever. This is their first experience with summer camp, and they can't get to camp fost enough and never want the day to end.

6-30-17

I know you and your staff deserve super Kudas for a job well done -

Best Wishes,

"I am Allan and Alexa's mom,

thanking God first for HIS blessings towards my family and self. Also, thanking all of you for being the instrument used by God so my children could attend this beautiful camp.

Slomin Family Center has been a beautiful camp for them; they have enjoyed it to the fullest. My son, who has been diagnosed with autism, is not fond of many places. I know, because he has attended other camps.

Here, he is happy. He wakes up each morning, and I do not need to fight with him to go to camp. My daughter, what can I say? She has helped other children to socialize. So, thank you very much for everything. Keep moving forward helping more families and children with special needs."

-Keila

"On behalf of the children

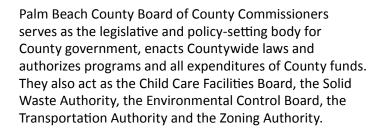
and parents throughout Palm Beach County, we say thank you for your amazing leadership, dedication, professionalism and tireless effort. You are a true example of influence and impact. Thank you for being a difference maker in our community."

> -lames The Life Center



We Thank You







Administer programs and initiatives of the Board of County Commissioners to ensure the healthy growth, development, education, and transition of children and youth to young adulthood and the workforce.



Children's Services Council invests its resources in programs that help Palm Beach County children begin life healthily, enter school ready and thrive in quality afterschool activities.



FPL is committed to being a responsible corporate citizen and good neighbor to improve the quality of life in the communities we serve.



To enhance, complement and provide support for the resources and service capacity of the Department of Community Services to meet the needs of underserved or low-income residents of Palm Beach County.





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Youth Services Department

Outreach and Community Programming Division 50 South Military Trail, Suite 203, West Palm Beach, FL 33415

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