EXHIBIT A

CWC Scoring App #19

Grant Amount Requested: $ 5 000

ORIGINAL

2017-2018 PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

RECEIVED TIME: 10:05A

JAN 17 2018

City of Fort Pierce URBAN REDEVELOPMENT

Organization Legal Name: Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County

Mailing Address: 3104 Avenue J, Fort Pierce, FL 34947

Physical Address: same

Contact Person: Maygan Johnson Title: Vice President of Development

BEST CONTACT Phone Number:772-460-9918 x108 Email Address: mjohnson@bgcofslc.org

Website Address: www.bgcofslc.org

LEGAL STATUS OF ORGANIZATION:

(X) Incorporated, Not-for-Profit - Month and Year of incorporation/creation: November 1994

- ☐ **INCLUDE COPY OF CURRENT BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT (BTR) FROM CITY OF FORT PIERCE**
- ☐ **INCLUDE COPY OF CURRENT 501(c)(3) DOCUMENTATION FROM INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.**
- ☐ **INCLUDE COPY OF NONPROFIT REGISTRATION FROM SUNBIZ.ORG.**

==========

Person Authorized to Sign on Behalf of this Organization. Signature Must Be Notarized.

_____ Today's Date: 1/16/2018

Signature

Print Name: William Armstead Title: CEO

Telephone Number: 772-460-9918 Email: warmstead@bgcofslc.org

==========

NOTARY STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

BEFORE ME, an officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements, personally appeared William Armstead, who is personally known to me or produced _____, as identification, and acknowledged he/she executed the forgoing Agreement for the use and purposes mentioned in it and that the instrument is his/her act and deed.

IN WITNESS OF THE FORGOING, I have set my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid in this 16th day of January, 2018.

NOTARY PUBLIC Laura Walsh

My Commission Expires: 6/12/2021

Notary Public State of Florida
Laura Walsh
My Commission GG 114017
Expires 06/12/2021

PLEASE SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL APPLICATION AND 7 COPIES

Attach additional pages as necessary.

PLEASE PRINT NEATLY OR TYPE YOUR ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION.

1. Describe your organization and list your Mission Statement.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County's mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as caring, responsible, and productive citizens.

2. Describe your organization's history and prior experience, including a description of programs/projects similar to the one you are applying for in this application.

For over 23 years, the Boys & Girls Clubs of SLC has been at the forefront of youth development, working with young people ages 5-18 from disadvantaged economic, social and family circumstances. With 19 locations throughout the county, we are able to serve more than 6,000 youth annually with our afterschool and summer programs and such outreach programming as truancy prevention. The Club serves more than 3,150 youth daily in a safe environment at five Clubhouses, three within the city limits of Fort Pierce; one in Fort Pierce at Lakewood Park Elementary School, located outside city limits; and two in Port St. Lucie; and at 13 school-based Clubs. Daily access to a broad range of programs after school until 7p.m. and during summer drives positive outcomes for youth and reinforces necessary life skills. Our focus is to improve academic success, foster healthy lifestyles and encourage civic responsibility.

The Boys & Girls Club of St. Lucie County (BGCSLC) is part of Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA), a national organization. BGCA provides assistance to local Clubs via program creation, staff and resource development; organizational planning and administration.

The Clubs offer daily access to a broad range of programs that promote health, social, educational, vocational, character and leadership development. Club programs foster a sense of belonging, competence, usefulness and influence that builds self-confidence and self-esteem. The scope and depth of our offerings fill a need in Fort Pierce for positive programs for these at-risk youth. One of these programs is Triple Play.

Triple Play is a BGCA's comprehensive health and wellness initiative. It strives to improve the overall health of Club members by increasing their daily physical activity, teaching them good nutrition and helping them develop healthy relationships. Since the Triple Play initiative was introduced in 2005, more than one million Club members across the nation have participated in fun fitness activities. The Triple Play initiative nurtures the minds, bodies and souls of Club members.

3. List all previous grants awarded by the City of Fort Pierce to **YOU or any organization(s) you were previously or are currently associated with**. If None, write N/A below:

Program Year	Amount	Purpose
2016-17	$4,500	Triple Play
2015-16	$4,000	Triple Play
2014-15	$5,000	Triple Play

Please Note: Organizations/Applicants that have received funding for three consecutive years may be deferred in order to provide funding for newer activities.

4. If you have received funding from the City of Fort Pierce for Public Service projects in the past, please explain **HOW** the program/project described in this grant application is **NEW OR EXPANDED:**

During 2016-2017, we served more teens because of the addition of our Teen Center at 3104 Ave. K in Fort Pierce. We also expanded our First Tee program, It provides learning fundamentals of the game of golf, character education and life skills to help young people prepare for success in high school, college and life.

The 2016-17 golf program served 16 Club members from Fort Pierce, providing them with eye-opening and positive experiences. "At first, I thought golf would be boring and I thought it would be really easy," said Janeila, a 17-year old member who participated in the Clubs' golf program. "But I was surprised at how challenging it is and how much I like it!" Jeaniela discovered she has a natural talent for putting. "Golf takes a lot of concentration and its good exercise," she explained. Our ability to run this program was due, in part, to funds granted in our 2016-17 Fort Pierce Public Service grant.

For 2017-18 our Triple Play program will be expanded by adding Night Hoops, a basketball program that offers basketball in a clean, safe environment until midnight. We began this program after engaging in outreach to area teens, who told us they wanted an evening basketball program. Night Hoops is held at our newest Clubhouse, Percy Peek gym, located at 2902 Avenue D. This Clubhouse, which opened in 2017, is allowing us to expand further in the Lincoln Park neighborhood. Our Infinity Clubhouse is now temporarily closed for much-needed renovation. However, Infinity members are being bused to Percy Peek Gym at no charge until the updated Infinity Clubhouse is open.

We are happy to report that within a short time of opening, Percy Peek has attracted new members from the surrounding neighborhood, many of them teens interested in Night Hoops. We expect continued growth throughout the year, allowing us to serve more youth overall.

Additionally, we plan to stimulate the sports interest of many of our young people by introducing a more developed soccer program, in which members learn soccer fundamentals and then put them to work in soccer games. The key to this program is that rather than simply putting kids on a field and letting them play, we first engage them in a series of skills classes. As a result, members start by learning passing, shooting and teamwork. The soccer program is open to members of all ages, and is proving attractive to girls as well as boys. Our members will celebrate their soccer achievements with a culminating event before the end of the school year, possibly a series of soccer skills competitions.

5. What is your organization's annual budget? Describe how your organization is currently funded.

   $4,587,602

6. Does the City of Fort Pierce and/other local organizations in Fort Pierce provide services similar to your agency? Yes

   If you answered Yes, how do your services compliment their offerings? If yes, explain.

   How are your services different?

The Police Athletic League offers services to youth, but is limited to athletics and is located too far southeast for our Club members to access their programs. The Multicultural Resource Center offers fewer programs than we do, is only for youth in Grades K-6, and has limited capacity. Frontline for Kids is only available to kids ages 12-18 and closes earlier in the evening, while our Clubs are open until 7 p.m., our Teen Center is open until 8 p.m., and the Percy Peek Gymnasium Clubhouse is open for basketball until midnight.

Our Fort Pierce locations are strategically placed at certain "gang lines". We specifically do this so that kids do not have to cross these dangerous boundaries to reach one of our Clubs, or are safely transported over those lines. The best example of this service is at our Infinity Clubhouse, currently closed for renovations. Members accustomed to attending Infinity are transported to the Percy Peek Gymnasium Clubhouse, where they participate in Club activities. To ensure safety, we also transport those members who need rides to and from

home. In addition, many members are transported to their Clubhouses from schools on public school buses, thanks to our partnership with the St. Lucie Public Schools.

We are also part of a national organization (BGCA) that provides program support that has proven successful here and across the country.

7. Project Name (please keep it short):

   Triple Play

8. U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) National Objective Activities: (check one)

   ☐ **Area benefit** activity (the activity benefits/is open to everyone in a particular low income neighborhood or geography)

   ☐X **Limited Clientele** activity (particular individuals or households receive a benefit, and the majority of them qualify as low income)

   ☐ **Presumed Benefit** activity (the activity benefits a group of individuals presumed by HUD to qualify for a benefit: battered spouses, homeless, elderly, severely disabled adults, abused children, illiterate adults, persons with HIV/AIDS, or migrant farm workers)

9. Which National Objective(s) shown below does your project/program(s) meet?

   _X__ Benefit low to moderate-income persons;

   ___ Help in the prevention of slums or blight; and/or

   ___ Meet other community needs having a particular urgency because other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

10. Beneficiaries from National Objective Activities (#8 Above)

    A. Who are the intended beneficiaries of this program/project? Describe how the project will ensure that the intended beneficiaries are being served and the target population will be reached, including how beneficiaries are identified, and any outreach performed:

       Demographics and income information are collected from all registered Club members. Member attendance and other program history are then tracked through our tracking system, VISION. Local outreach is performed through community give-back projects, special events and local advertising, public relations and social media.

    B. If the project will provide an **"Area Benefit",** please define clearly the geographic area to be served by the proposed activity. Include a map, if necessary.
       N/A

    C. If the project will benefit **"Limited Clientele"**, list the approximate number and percentage of total persons assisted through this project/program who will be Low to Moderate Income (LMI) and how their income level will be determined.
       In 2016 we served a total of 593 at-risk youth at our Fort Pierce Clubs, Garden Terrace and Infinity. Of these, 578, or 94%, qualified for free or reduced lunch. We will continue to use this metric to determine how many Low to Moderate Income persons have been assisted.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2017 Income Limits

Number of People Living in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Extremely Low Income	$12,650	$16,240	$20,420	$24,600	$28,780	$32,960	$37,140	$39,750
Very Low Income	$21,100	$24,100	$27,100	$30,100	$32,550	$34,950	$37,350	$39,750
Low Income	$33,750	$38,550	$43,350	$48,150	$52,050	$55,900	$59,750	$63,600

D. If the project will provide a **"Presumed Benefit"**, please identify the group(s):

__ Abused Children
__ Lower Income Senior Citizens
__ Elderly
__ Homeless
_X_ Lower Income Youth
__ Other _____
__ Illiterate Adults
__ Migrant Farm Workers
__ Persons with HIV/AIDS
__ Severely Disabled Adults
__ Severely Disabled Children/Youth

11. Describe the existing problems or needs to be addressed by this program/project.

Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County believes every child deserves a great future. Unfortunately, today's youth face tremendous obstacles. About 1.7 million more kids live in low-income families now than during the Great Recession. According to the U.S. Census Bureau's American fact Finder (2016), In St. Lucie County that equates to 27.2% of youth living in poverty. And in the City of Fort Pierce, where three of our Clubhouses are located, nearly 49% of children are living in poverty.

In a 2015 survey of residents in Fort Pierce, poverty was cited as a major factor leading to violence in the community. Of eighth and ninth grade students, 25% said they had attacked someone with the idea to seriously harm them. As multiple studies have shown, children from poverty are more likely to struggle academically and have behavioral issues. Another troubling statistic is that 34% of children and adolescents (ages 6 to 19) are overweight or obese. The Boys & Girls Clubs helps mitigate these issues by providing youth an outcome-driven Club experience focusing on academics, healthy lifestyles and good character and citizenship.

12. Describe your proposed project's activities and how they will address the problems/needs you listed in #11 above.

Extensive research shows that young people who participate in strong after-school programs can overcome the kinds of obstacles mentioned in #11. In fact, research indicates that a child's experience during a high-quality after-school program can have as much influence on their overall success as their experience during school. Growing evidence also links high-quality after-school programs with gains in standardized test scores and work habits, as well as with reductions in behavior problems among disadvantaged students.

Through the Triple Play experience, Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County challenges members to become healthy and active by learning new ways to eat nutritionally, manage stress, maintain physical fitness and form positive relationships with peers. The comprehensive Triple Play initiative nurtures the minds, bodies and souls of Club members.

MIND: The Healthy Habits program is designed to incorporate healthy living and active learning in every part of the Club experience, from the gym to the learning center to the arts and crafts room. The central themes of good nutrition, regular physical activity and improving overall well-being are emphasized.

BODY: This component boosts Clubs' physical activities to a higher level by providing sports and fitness programs, activities and sports competitions for all boys and girls, whether they are athletically inclined or not. Club youth of every age have the chance to have fun playing longer and harder at a variety of games. For example, our new soccer program is introducing that game to more of our members. Night Hoops at the Percy peek Gymnasium Clubhouse means teens can play basketball until midnight. Our organization-wide Field Day brought kids from all our Clubs together for a day of friendly but spirited competition in a variety of games.
SOUL: By participating in a comprehensive social recreation program, members are able to develop and sustain positive relationships with others, acquire a healthy self-concept and a strong belief in their self-worth and cope well with positive and adverse situations.

13. List the physical addresses where the your proposed project activities (listed in #12 above) will take place, using street addresses within the City limits of Fort Pierce.

Garden Terrace Unit - 3104 Avenue J. Fort Pierce, FL 34947
Teen Center- 3104 Avenue K. Fort Pierce, FL 34947
Infinity Unit – 1011 N. 23rd Street Fort Pierce, FL 34950
Percy Peek Gymnasium Clubhouse, 2902 Avenue D, Fort Pierce, FL 34947

Outside City limits: Lakewood Park Clubhouse, 7800 Indrio Road, Fort Pierce 34951

14. List this project's measurable goals and objectives. Date the goals and objectives.

Increase the number of registered Club members participating in the Triple Play program at Garden Terrace, Teen Center and Percy Peek Units (2017 vs 2018 enrollment)

Increase average daily attendance at Garden Terrace, Teen Center and Percy Peek Units (Average Daily Attendance per month for grant fiscal year against previous year's numbers)

Increase the number of Club members who have participated in BGCSLC's soccer program and increase their knowledge of soccer. (Use of pre-and post- test and detailed soccer skills assessment)

15. How will you track the results of these goals and objectives? (This information will be required with your monthly status reports.)

We will continue to use VISION, our member tracking system. It allows our organization to effectively track multiple indicators for each of our Club members. VISION has the advantage of allowing us to not only track the days when members attend their Clubs, but also what the individual members did while in the Clubs. For example, we currently track members' general attendance, program attendance, school grades, school attendance, and behavior.

16. Briefly describe measurements of outcomes for each of the activities listed in #12. (Examples - number of unduplicated low/moderate income youth served, number of unduplicated senior citizens served, number of unduplicated Veterans served, number of unduplicated adults served, etc.)

We would like to increase the total number of youth served in our Triple Play Program by 25%. Last year 441 youth participated in the program. We would also like to see our Average Daily Attendance (ADA) increase by 10%. Last year the ADA for our Percy Peek Clubhouse was 39 and our Garden Terrace Unit was 77.

17. Amount of Grant Funds requested in this application: $5,000

Amount of other funds secured for this program/project: $500

Amount of other funds earmarked for the program/project: $3,000

Total amount needed to complete this program/project: $8,500

18. Describe your contingency plan in the event this grant request is not fully funded, or not funded at all by the City of Fort Pierce:

If we do not receive the funding requested, we will make the necessary budget adjustments to ensure that our program will continue to operate at a high level. We would not be able to serve as many young people, but we would be able to continue to leverage our funds from long standing strategic partnerships with community organizations. As well as regular funding provided by our top supporters, funding from the Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County and the United Way would help ensure the Triple Play program is offered and is successful

If this is a multi-year project, how will you continue to implement this project if City grant funds are not available in future years?

Our organization strives to diversify its funding with all programming. Each year our executive team, finance committee, and resource development team work towards a budget that is balanced with income streams from public support, government and local grants, program fees, corporate partnerships, individual giving and special events.

19. Select every qualifier below that best describes your project.

__ Improve or enhance education opportunities

__ Improve or enhance job training opportunities

__ Improve or enhance employment opportunities

__ Promote cultural diversity

X Promote outdoor activities and a healthy lifestyle

__ Spur interest and participation in neighborhood improvement activities

__ Encourage citizen involvement and leverage resources to revitalize low and moderate-income neighborhoods

__ Encourage partnerships between City Hall, residents and other community organizations that will result in projects and activities that benefit a community

__ Instill and foster community pride

__ Promote neighborhood beautification and revitalization

__ Promote activities that protect the environment

X Discourage adverse activity such as crime, drug use, and vandalism

__ Inspire and support the healthy development of youth

20. Write an explanation below of **how** your project will perform **each** qualifier you selected above:

Triple Play is part of Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County's Sports, Fitness and Recreation core program area, which consists of an array of effective programs for equipping Club members with crucial skills needed to become healthy, fit and successful adults.

Participation in this program will help drive healthy lifestyles. This will help ensure that youth increase their physical activity, make smart food choices, enhance their ability to get along with their peers and adults, and stay engaged in positive activities, as opposed to negative ones.

21. Date project to begin: March 2018

    Date project to be completed: September 2018

22. Describe any participant fees that will be required as part of this project/program. Please see "New for Program Year 2017-2018" on Page 4 of the Grant Guidance.

No fees associated with this project will be passed on to members or families.

23. Applicants must demonstrate that the selection of participants is an objective process and Grant Recipient may not limit participation on the basis of race, gender, nationality, ethnicity, religion, creed or disability. How will your project comply with this expectation?

We do not have any registration requirements other than serving youth ages 6-18. Additionally, our organizational policies and procedures directly addresses this issue and forbids any employee from limiting participation on the basis of race, gender, nationality, ethnicity, religion, creed or disability. Furthermore, because we receive federal grants, we are required by law to meet this expectation.

24. If this project is sponsored by a church or religious group, participation may not be limited to members of the church. What efforts will you make to ensure that the community at-large is aware of this project and the opportunity for participation?

N/A

Complete a COMPLETE detailed budget below for **THIS** project. List proposed City grant funds and other *committed funds* and 'in-kind contributions', donated professional services, fees and other resources that will be used to complete the project. List a detailed breakdown of individual items. Use specific descriptions, not broad categories. Remember, committed funds and/or in-kind services **must equal at least 25% of your grant request**.

Be sure to include verification documentation of all funds listed below as 'Committed' or 'In-Kind'. Commitments listed in the budget below that lack documentation **will not be counted as commitments.**

Program/Project Expense/Description	City Grant	Other Committed Funds $$ Amount or In-Kind	Source of Other Committed Funds or In-Kind Services (Please provide written verification of Every in-kind service listed here from the "Source")
Sports and recreational materials	$5,000		
Soccer equipment, including balls, cones and hula hoops		$500	Various donations from individuals
Transportation		$3,000	United Way
TOTALS	$5,000	$3,500	
(use more lines/pages as necessary)			

- **Please provide a quote for each item listed that you will purchase with this grant award** in the above Budget under 'Expense/Description'. Each quote should list vendor/company with contact information.

25. Organization Staff and Volunteers

Please complete the information listed below for ***each person*** in your organization who will work on **THIS** project and the percentage of time they will dedicate to this project, including all volunteers.

Name: Kathy Douglas-Houston

Telephone Number: 772-460-9918x207

Email address: khouston@bgcofslc.org

Organization Position: Director of Education and Programs

Residence: Fort Pierce

Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree, Special Education from Indiana University. Masters in Education, Indiana Wesleyan University. Specialized Certification in Reading from St. Mary of the Woods in Indiana.

Role in Project: Administrator

% of Time Dedicated to project: 25%

Name: Anastasia Legakes

Telephone Number: 772-460-9918x204

Email address: alegalkes@bgcofslc.org

Organization Position: Club Area Director

Residence: Vero Beach

Qualifications: B.S. English (minor: Secondary Education); M.E. Human Services; Ed.D. Organizational Leadershiop.

Professional Licenses:	Teaching Certificate, FL Department of Education
Role in Project:	Administrator
% of Time Dedicated to project:	20%

Name:	Austin Steiger
Telephone Number:	772-209-0478
Email address:	asteiger@bgcofslc.org
Organization Position:	Director, Garden Terrace Clubhouse
Residence:	Port St. Lucie
Qualifications:	B.S. Organizational Management, IRSC
Professional Licenses:	CPR/Therapeutic Crisis Intervention
Role in Project:	Facilitator
% of Time Dedicated to project:	20%

Name:	Tanesha Jones
Telephone Number:	772-460-7868
Email address:	tjones@bgcofslc.org
Organization Position:	Director, infinity/Percy Peek Clubhouse
Residence:	Fort Pierce
Qualifications:	H.S. Diploma
Professional Licenses:	CPR/First Aid/Certified Mental Health Tech
Role in Project:	Facilitator
% of Time Dedicated to project:	20%

Name:	Terrance Thomas
Telephone Number:	772-464-6634
Email address:	tthomas@bgcofslc.org
Organization Position:	Program Specialist, Teen Center
Residence:	Fort Piece
Qualifications:	H.S. Diploma
Professional Licenses:	CPR/First Aid
Role in Project:	Facilitator
% of Time Dedicated to project:	20%

Name:	Jalene Henley
Telephone Number:	772-626-5353
Email address:	jhenley@bgcofslc.org
Organization Position:	Program Director, Infinity/Percy Peek Clubhouse
Residence:	Port St. Lucie

Qualifications:	H.S. Diploma plus two years of college
Professional Licenses:	CPR/First Aid/Assisted Living
Role in Project:	Facilitator
% of Time Dedicated to project:	20%

26. Please attach **ALL** of the documents listed below to your application. Please include a written explanation for EACH document not included:

_ Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws

_ State and Federal Tax Exempt determination letter

_ Employee Identification Number

_ List of Board of Directors with contact information

_ Organizational Chart for your Organization

_ Board of Director's authorization to apply for this grant

_ Last three month's bank statements

_ Annual budgets for 2016 and 2017

_ Most recent audit report (if this is not available, provide written explanation)

_ Matching funds and In-Kind Services commitment documentation (Budget, page 16)

_ Three (3) Letters of Support for this project

_ Newspaper articles, and Thank-You letters, etc., as available, for your organization's work within the City of Fort Pierce.