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Grant Amount Requested: \$3,600

2017-2018 PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

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Organization Legal Name: The Resurrection Life Community and Economic Development and corporation

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LEGAL STATUS OF ORGANIZATION:

- (X) Incorporated, Not-for-Profit - Month and Year of incorporation/creation: 07/2004 **PPINCLUDE COPY OF CURRENT BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT (BTR) FROM CITY OF FORT PIERCE**
- X INCLUDE COPY OF CURRENT 501(c)(3) DOCUMENTATION FROM INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.**
- X INCLUDE COPY OF NONPROFIT REGISTRATION FROM SUNBIZ.ORG.**

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

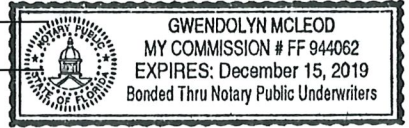
Martha Banks Today's Date: 1/17/18
 Signature
 Print Name: Martha Banks Title: President
 Telephone Number: 772-465-0036 Email: information@trbanks.com

NOTARY STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

BEFORE ME, an officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements, personally appeared Martha Banks 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 17th day of January, 2018.

NOTARY PUBLIC Gwendolyn McLeod
My Commission Expires: _____



2017-2018 Public Service Grant Opportunity

I. APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to ensure you have included key information with your application.

Be sure to enclose this checklist with your application.

- X If you have received grant funding for your programs/projects from the City of Fort Pierce in the past, you must ensure that **THIS IS AN EXPANDED PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECT.**
- X You have read the 2017-2018 Grant Guidelines and Application carefully.
- X Your application is dated.
- X You followed the mandatory format for preparing the grant application.
- X The person listed as the contact person in your application is knowledgeable about the project and application and is aware that they are listed as the contact person.
- X Reliable telephone numbers and email addresses are listed.
- X You included the correct mailing address for the organization and the mailing address for the organization matches the address listed on the City of Fort Pierce Business Tax Receipt, Sunbiz.org and with the Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) documentation.
- X You have rounded the funding request to the nearest dollar.
- X Your project description includes essential information:
 - X Who will implement the program/project
 - X Description program/project, number and description of people that will benefit
 - X When the project/program will begin and end
 - X Where the project/program activities will take place
 - X How the program/project will address a community need
- X Detailed budget and all required budget information, as listed in application.
- X Program/project goals and objectives contain dates, time frames and measurable numbers.
- X Specific locations are listed for program/project activity sites.
- X You have provided all of the documentation listed on page 17 of this application.
- X The application is signed by the person authorized by your organization to enter into binding contracts.
- X Your application is Notarized.
- X You have included 1 Original and 7 Copies of your application.
- X You did **NOT** include **ANY** staples or binding with your application; only clips or rubber bands.
- X You will submit your application by NO **LATER THAN 3:00PM ON – JANUARY 18, 2018.**

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: AUG 09 2005

RESURRECTION LIFE COMMUNITY AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
405 IXORIA AVE
FT PIERCE, FL 34982

Employer Identification Number:
83-0413009
DLN:
17053350001014
Contact Person: JOHN M WHITE ID# 52118
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 Required:
No
Effective Date of Exemption:
July 29, 2004
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Advance Ruling Ending Date:
December 31, 2008

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. During your advance ruling period, you will be treated as a public charity. Your advance ruling period begins with the effective date of your exemption and ends with advance ruling ending date shown in the heading of the letter.

Shortly before the end of your advance ruling period, we will send you Form 8734, Support Schedule for Advance Ruling Period. You will have 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period to return the completed form. We will then notify you, in writing, about your public charity status.

Please see enclosed Information for Exempt Organizations Under Section 501(c)(3) for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

If you distribute funds to other organizations, your records must show whether they are exempt under section 501(c)(3). In cases where the recipient organization is not exempt under section 501(c)(3), you must have evidence the funds will be used for section 501(c)(3) purposes.

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Florida Not For Profit Corporation

RESURRECTION LIFE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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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.

Mission: The mission of The Resurrection Life Community and Economic Development Corporation (RLCEDC) is to promote health and wellness among our young men and women to target the reduction of gang and criminal activities in our community. The RLCEDC is in Fort Pierce, Florida, it is an independent 501(c)3 charitable organization that was established in 2004 to meet the needs of low income at-risk young men and women in the community. The RLCEDC is designed to help young men and women develop athletic, academic, leadership and life skills. These skills enable them to create healthy relationships with peers, broaden their education opportunities and engage them in positive approaches that will increase their chance of success. Many researchers have shown that organized sport is one of the greatest sport to help youth develop positive character traits and life values. It is with this knowledge that we have focused on providing a positive and safe environment to help youth and young men from engaging in gang related activities, violent crimes, substance abuse, and other risky behaviors. We strive to provide enrichment activities that will enhance their social, physical and mental wellbeing. Through our organized sports program with a focus on basketball activities each year RLCEDC serves over 200 young men and women between the ages of 5 – 24 years. About 50 young men and women have obtained full scholarships to attend colleges locally and abroad and many of them have returned to the community to give back.

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.

In 1998, when a young man was killed in the community, our organization became more committed than ever to provide a safe place for our young men and women. Through organized sports we focused on teaching youth the fundamentals and skills of basketball. On weekends, many youths would meet in the back of the church yard to socialize and play basketball. Each week more and more youth would participate. They expressed a love and commitment for basketball and wanted to learn more about it. From these weekly meetings and games, organized basketball teams and recreational leagues were established to participate in local tournaments. As a result, of these activities three significant programs were created that allowed youth to eventually participate in basketball tournaments on a competitive level locally, countywide and statewide.

- i) **Midnight Basketball program** was established to reduce gang activities and crime during hour's youth and young men are most vulnerable to criminal influence. From 9:00 pm – 12:00 this activity provided a safe environment for youth to participate in competitive basketball games in an open court format among their peers. On any given weekend, up to 50 youth would meet and socialize. This forum also gave youth an opportunity to be mentored by coaches, discuss life issues and challenges that they might be facing at home or at school.
- ii) **Basketball Tournament** gives youth and young men the opportunity to play in local leagues during off season. Those who did not make the local middle school and high school teams, are still able to continue to participate in our organized leagues.

iii) **The Travel Basketball Program** was established in 2009, as part of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) and USSSA to provide a platform for youth and young men to compete on a competitive level locally, statewide and nationally. The Travel Basketball Team over the years have travelled during the school break and on many weekends to showcase their skills before college coaches and recruiters as well as participate competitively against other teams. This opportunity gives significant exposure to college recruiters and coaches. The Team has travelled to play in Ohio, Georgia, Orlando, Leesburg, Tampa, Jacksonville, Jupiter, West Palm Beach and Miami. It is through such exposure that the Basketball Team members have gained full scholarships to colleges as well as employment to the field of sports.

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:

<u>Program Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
2016-17	N/A	
2015-16	N/A	
2014-15	N/A	

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: EXPANDED**

In 2011-2012 the RLCEDC received \$1,000 in funding from City of Fort Pierce for Public Service Projects. This funding was used to purchased training equipment and paid for rental space that helped prepared the Team for their tournaments.

EXPANDED Program: The funding will be used to expand The Travel Basketball Program to include a much-needed structured component that will enhance and build on what the youth have learned throughout the program. This expanded program is called ***The Youth Development Lifestyle Enhancement Program (YDLEP)***. The primary goal of this program is (1) to increase and reinforce life skills for job and career opportunities as youth prepare to graduate high school and move on to colleges and careers both locally and abroad; and (2) increase college opportunity exposure to colleges coaches and recruiters. These goals will help to fulfill some of the gaps and challenges identified in the St Lucie Hand in Hand Community Assessment Report. The extended program will utilize evidence based-strategies that have proven to be effective in elevating the lives of youth. Evidence-based practices are well-researched programs that have been tested broadly and demonstrate effectiveness in a variety of populations; often, programs are focused around health promotion/disease prevention. The activities of The **YDLEP** include (1) Group Mentorship, (2) Career & College Readiness 101, (3) Health & Wellness, and (4) Fundamentals of the Sport Industry. These activities will help prevent low-in-income at risk youth from engaging in drug abuse, gang/gun related activities and other risky behaviors that can steer them in the wrong direction of life.

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

The annual budget for RLCEDC is **\$10,000**. Each year the budget is projected from the previous year's activities and is based on the number of potential participants for the coming year. Currently, donations, fundraising, sponsorships and membership fees fund our organization. The major funding for this budget comes from the Resurrection Life Church, which is over 50%.

6. **Does the City of Fort Pierce and/other local organizations in Fort Pierce provide services similar to your agency? If you answered Yes, how do your services compliment their offerings? If yes, explain. How are your services different?**

Yes, there are several other organizations in Fort Pierce that provide similar services, and are concerned about the wellbeing of youth but none of them have a primary focus on organized sports in conjunction with mentorship, empowerment and gang/crime prevention. These organizations provide programs that are more recreational and is normally given during the week, whereas our program is held late evenings and weekends. The RLCEDC program is significantly different in some aspect. The program is sports oriented with strong emphasis on developing positive mindsets, importance of teamwork, sportsmanship perseverance, and respect for authority. Through our program, the Basketball Travel Team is given a unique opportunity to travel each year to participate in competitive tournaments county and statewide, other programs do not have this component. Each year the youth look forward with excitement and great anticipation to traveling and experiencing life beyond their community. Tournament exposure gives youth the opportunity to also interact with other youth with different cultures. This unique opportunity allow youth to show case their basketball skills and sportsmanship before college coaches and recruiters. From these exposures many of our youth received full scholarships to college as well as play professionally and seek meaningful jobs. Some of them often return to the community to mentor and coach other youth as a way of giving back to their community. Their travel experiences are opportunities to learn and improve not only their athletic basic skills but to experience team spirit and sportsmanship. Our program also encourages parent participation and support as the youth progress.

7. **Project Name (please keep it short):**

Name of extended program is the Youth Development Lifestyle Enhancement Program

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)
- Limited Clientele** activity (particular individuals) or households receive a benefit, and many 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?

- Benefit low to moderate-income persons;
- N/A Help in the prevention of slums or blight; and/or

N/A 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:

The intended beneficiaries are youth ages 16 – 24 years of age of low income levels, who are at risk of becoming involved in substance abuse, gang/gun-related crimes and other risky behaviors. The geographic area to be served will be Avenue D and Lincoln Park communities, and zip code areas 34946 – 34950 housing projects within the Fort Pierce low-income areas. The program will ensure that the intended beneficiaries are being served by reaching out to organizations that serve this population - schools, other youth programs, churches, posting notices on bulletin boards at places where youth gather to socialize.

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. NA

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.

The program will assist approximately 20 youth of which 85% will be low income level. Income will be based on the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2017 income limits. Focus will be on youth located in the lower income areas of Fort Pierce. Income will be verified on the program enrollment intake application.

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

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abused Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Illiterate Adults |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lower Income Senior Citizens | <input type="checkbox"/> Migrant Farm Workers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elderly | <input type="checkbox"/> Persons with HIV/AIDS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless | <input type="checkbox"/> Severely Disabled Adults |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lower Income Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Severely Disabled Children/Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>NA</u> | |

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

To provide appropriate programs and activities that will address and improve the lives of

youth in any community is dependent on the needs assessment done by many researchers. For Fort Pierce, several needs assessment have identified many factors such as income levels, economic resources, gang-related gun violence, poverty and substance abuse that have contributed and continue to negatively affect the lives of many youth. The U.S Census Data Quick Facts reported that as of 2017 the population of Fort Pierce is 42,328 making it the second largest city in St Lucie County. The Bureau also stated that 1 out of 3 people in Fort Pierce live in poverty. The Homefacts City Report indicated the following: there are 24 public schools with a rating of C+ average; that the crime rates continue to grow with violent crimes 119.37% higher than the national average score of 26.6 %.

According to the 2016 City-Data.com report for Fort Pierce: 705 violent crimes were committed compared to 430 crimes for the state of Florida and 386 for St. Lucie County; 176 robberies, 462 aggravated assault and 800 burglaries and that 43% of resident's incomes are below the poverty level compare to 20% for the state. Also, the information showed a break down for poor male residents living in poverty by age in Fort Pierce: for 6 – 11 years was 35.6 %, 15 years 65.2 %, 16 – 17, 14 % and 18 - 24 was 32%. The median household income in Fort Pierce in 2017 was reported to be \$26,976 compared to St Lucie County \$44,140. Other researchers confirmed that the Fort Pierce household median income was 51% lower than the national average, unemployment rate 47% higher than the national average and that the overall crime rate is 46% higher than the national average. These issues are some of the contributing factors that put youth at risks to join gangs, engage in substance abuse and other unhealthy behaviors. In 2016, the St Lucie Hand in Hand Community Assessment Report identified the following gaps and barriers for the youth: financial affordability to participate in programs such as sports; program services were not provided on the weekends or late at nights; lack of transportation for youth to get to programs that they will benefit from and mentoring which is a much-needed activity for youth.

To address some of these issues, the RLCEDC will extend its Travel Basketball Team by creating the **Youth Development Lifestyle Enhancement Program**. The extended program will utilize evident based-strategies that have proven to be effective in elevating the lives of youth. The activities of The YDLEP include (1) Group Mentorship, (2) Career & College Readiness 101, (3) Health & Wellness, and (4) Fundamentals of the Sport Industry. This extended program will help increase their chances of obtaining college scholarships, professional trainings, as well as exposure to college coaches and recruiters. It will also increase their awareness and knowledge of how to seek meaningful careers and educational development that can elevate them out of a cycle of poverty, drug use gang/gun violence and other risky behaviors.

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

Many researchers have shown that there are several benefits for youths that are involved in organized sports programs. These benefits include weight control, problem solving skills, self-esteem, social competence, academic achievement career preparation. Also, being involved in sport activities can reduce juvenile arrests, teen pregnancies and school dropout rates (Taliaferro, 2012). Youth issues to be addressed by proposed activities are the gaps and barriers for the youth such as: financial affordability to participate in programs such as sports; program services not provided on the weekends or late at nights; lack of transportation for youth to attend programs that they will benefit from; and lack of mentoring which is a much-needed activity for youth. Through the expanded program the **Youth Development Lifestyle Enhancement Program** proposed project funds will be use to prepare youth for two significant basketball tournaments that will give them the opportunity to display their skills and sportsmanship abilities before college coaches and recruiters as well as to equip them with the tools and life skills that will also enable them to be prepared for life after high school. This program will utilize best practices strategies along with evidence based components of youth programs that have proven to be effective in improving the lives of youth.

Proposed Activities:

(1) **Group Mentorship** - Group mentoring programs can produce an array of positive outcomes for youth such as behavioral, emotional, academic, social improvement. Group mentorship can also provide other positive outcomes for youth such as develop skills, change attitudes and offer meaningful interactions with the group. Youth.gov website, indicated that about 8.5 million youth continue to lack supportive relationships with caring adults. Utilizing best practices for youth group mentoring the following strategies will be used: casual conversation, conversation on social issues and relationships, listen and learning, sports and creative activities. These activities will increase and develop mentee skills, change mentee attitudes, and offer positive peer interactions which may lead to behavioral outcomes for participants. Youth will meet for 20 minutes twice per week before practice session with group mentor.

(2) **Health & Wellness** - The Health and Wellness activities will empower youth with knowledge and skills practice to make healthier choices and lead more productive lives as they prepare to graduate high school. This section will cover decision making, goal setting, self-esteem, nutrition, fitness, safety, substance abuse and conflict resolution and violence prevention. Activities will include the MyPlate Guideline for food portions and variety, and the most recent fitness recommendations for youth. Program will partner with the Florida Community Health Center for nutrition education, the Boys and Girls Club for gym usage for fitness and with the Fort Pierce Police Station for group session on substance and violence prevention and conflict resolution. Youth will meet for a period of 20 hours during the phase of this program.

(3) **Career & College Readiness** - There are many careers that utilize athletes' knowledge and skills in the sports industry. It is important for an individual to determine what area interests them the most and what area their skill set is most suited for. The answers to these questions will determine the education and career path of that individual. The sports industry is a global phenomenon and there is considerable economic influence around the world. It

contributes \$425 billion annually to the U.S. economy alone (Plunkett, 2011). Sport is big business, and the sport industry consistently ranks as one of the top sectors of the United States' economy. The rich interest in sport provides many distinctive sport-related employment opportunities throughout the world. In fact, many developed nations. A significant portion of the workforce is employed in sport. In the United States, direct participants include nearly 14,000 professional athletes, more than 175,000 coaches and scouts, and almost 13,000 officials earning their livelihood in sports. Beyond that, nearly a million Americans work in fitness centers, snow skiing facilities, bowling centers, country clubs, and golf courses. Approximately 1.5 million Americans work directly in the amusement, sport gambling, and recreation sectors, and another 250,000 are employed in wholesale and retail sporting goods (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2011).

Youth will meet for 1.5 hours each week to prepare and discuss and create sample portfolio on careers and resumes relevant to their job interest, and research colleges locally and out of state. Youth will attend 2 field trips to local colleges to explore various college programs offered. and 2 field trips to the local library. They will also identify career and internship/training opportunities in the sports industry that they are interested in as well as identify local and statewide colleges and requirements that are needed to apply. Partnerships with colleges and local businesses will be established to utilized guest speakers to provide information and answer youth concerns.

Being ready for a career means that a high school graduate has the knowledge and skills needed to qualify for and succeed in the postsecondary job training and/or education necessary for their chosen career (i.e. community college, technical/vocational program, apprenticeship or significant on-the-job training). Being ready for college means that a high school graduate has the knowledge and skills necessary to qualify for and succeed in entry-level, credit-bearing college courses without the need for remedial coursework. Career and College Readiness 101 will ensure that each youth research, prepare and create resumes for specific jobs that they are interested in and how to apply to a college of their choice. With hands on activities youth will be guided in research on how to navigate the process for choosing colleges locally and out of state.

(4) Fundamentals of the Sports Industry

To help prepare the youth for two significant basketball tournaments, they will meet for five hours per week for training. Youth will travel to participate in the Super Regional Showcase and the March Madness Tournaments. These two tournaments will provide ample exposure to college coaches and recruiters. These are opportunities of a life time for the youth. This activity along with information about the sports industry will enable and expose youth to myriad of career opportunities. Program will reach out to sports organizations for guest speakers who can share their knowledge and experience about the industry. Our goal is to equip the youth with the tools that they will need to function as responsible and productive adults as they mature.

Tentative Schedule:

February 1-14 Registration & Tryouts

February 19-28 Orientation and Training/ Begin weekly life skills classes

March-July will consist of weekly practices with scheduled weekend games, with monthly field trips, speaker and law enforcement.

The Youth Development Lifestyle Enhancement Program activities will be implemented by:

Coach Trevor Banks, SR, who was born in Chicago, Illinois. He graduated from Thornwood High School in South Holland, Illinois in 1974. As a basketball player Banks led his basketball team to 3 tournament championships, conference champs, and sectional runner ups. His senior year he was awarded player of the year while leading his thunderbirds to a 22-6 record. After high school Banks attended Mount Senario College in Ladysmith, Wisconsin where he led both in scoring and rebounds. After transferring one year later to Thornton College in South Holland, Illinois, Banks led his team in scoring with a 26.5 average and was ranked 6th in the nation in the scoring category. After a year at Thornton, Banks answered the call to ministry. Coach Banks is the husband of Martha for 30 years and the father of four children. He is Senior Pastor of Resurrection Life Family Worship Center Church in Fort Pierce, Florida. He has been Pastor for 25 years.

Trevor Banks Jr. was born in Vero Beach, FL and raised in Fort Pierce, FL. He graduated from Fort Pierce Central High School where he led his team to a football district championship as quarterback and a basketball district championship and regional runner-up. His team finished with a 22-6 record. After high school Trevor played basketball at Shawnee State University Portsmouth, Ohio where he received honors for 2nd Team All-Conference, Champion of Character Award and 5th leading scorer in the conference and graduated with a degree in Sports Management and minor in Business Administration. He was Head Coach at St. Andrew Upper School in Fort. Pierce, FL for 2 years. Currently he has established an Elite Athletic Academy. Trevor also served on the Allegany Franciscan Ministries Board of Directors and worked closely with the city of Fort Pierce to establish basketball activities for the community.

Martha Banks born in Brewton, AL, graduated from W. S. Neal High School in Brewton, AL. Martha continued her education at Troy State University now, Troy University where she received her degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Management. Martha worked for the Kmart Corporation for almost 10 years as Assistant Manager. After leaving Kmart she worked for Protect Communications for 3 years and for the past 21 years has worked as Administrator and Assistant Pastor of Resurrection Life Family Worship Center, where she heads up numerous ministries. She has served as a board member of Pregnancy Care Center, Fort Pierce, serves as Vice President of SLC Agape Senior Recreation Center and President of Resurrection Life Community & Economic Development Corporation. For the past 30 years we have supported and organized many sports events and was part of creating the first Travel Basketball program in St. Lucie County. Her greatest passion is to help our young men and women to reach their full potential.

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

The proposed activities will take place at 2902 Ave D, Percy Peek Gymnasium, Fort Pierce.

Tournament #1 Lake County, FL (multiple gym locations to be announced) Appendix #1

Tournament #2 Jacksonville, FL (multiple gym locations to be announced) Appendix #2

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

Goal 1

Youth will actively participate in sports or physical activities. 80% of youth will spend at least five hours a week participating in a sport or physical activity as measured by program logs.

Goal 2

Youth will develop skills that will help them now and in the future. 70% of youth will positively increase their knowledge and awareness of positive behaviors and decisions as measured by pre/post surveys.

Goal 3

Students will attend school regularly and not become involved with the juvenile justice system. 85% of students will have 5 or less unexcused absences from school and will not be processed by the juvenile justice system (arrested or detained) as measured by program logs in conjunction with report cards by surveys obtained from parents.

Goal 4

Youth will participate in 2 statewide competitive basketball tournaments. 100% of youth will participate in statewide tournaments which will increase their opportunity for exposure to college recruitment and coaches, resulting in full scholarships

15. **How will you track the results of these goals and objectives**

The program will track the goals and objectives through the following: sign in logs for each activity, school report cards for attendance, pre-and post-surveys, number of youth that obtained full and partial scholarships to colleges locally and out of state to further their education as well as how many seek job training programs and careers after high school.

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.)**

Measurements of outcomes: project proposed to serve 20 unduplicated low/moderate income youth within the Fort Pierce community. 80% of youth who participate in the program will positively increase their awareness and knowledge of behaviors and decision making; participate in sports activities that will result in 2 basketball tournaments that will increase their chances of obtaining college scholarships; participate in 2 field trips to local colleges, complete portfolio of sample resumes and identify colleges they are interested. These outcomes will help contribute to the following gaps and barriers for the youth, identified by the St Lucie Hand in Hand Community Assessment Report in 2016: financial affordability to participate in programs such as sports; and program services not provided on the weekends or late at nights.

17. Amount of Grant Funds requested in this application: **\$3,600**
Amount of other funds secured for this program/project: **\$3,000**
Amount of other funds earmarked for the program/project: **\$3,400**

Total amount needed to complete this program/project: **\$10,000**

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:

The RLCEDC will continue its fundraising activities throughout the year. It will also solicit in-kind donations from community organizations, individuals, local businesses and organizations.

19. 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?

No, this is not a multi-year project. This program is done on a yearly basis.

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

X Improve or enhance education opportunities

X Improve or enhance job training opportunities

X Improve or enhance employment opportunities

X Promote cultural diversity

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

X Inspire and support the healthy development of youth

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

X Improve or enhance education opportunities

This qualifier will be performed by engaging youth in group discussions on the fundamentals of basketball and partnering with local colleges and businesses for guest speakers. Youth will also participate in two key basketball tournaments where they will perform and exhibit their athletic and sportsmanship abilities before potential college recruiters and coaches. These opportunities increase their chance of obtaining full or partial scholarship to colleges.

X Improve or enhance job training opportunities

The project will perform this qualifier by partnering with local colleges, job training agencies to participate in the program by discussing and presenting job training programs and opportunities that are available to youth which can steer them towards careers that they would like to pursue. Partnerships will also be established with businesses that offer entry level work experience or internship programs for youth.

X Improve or enhance employment opportunities

Creating and fulfilling income-generating job opportunities for young people can have direct positive consequences for poverty alleviation. Youth employment benefits, social and, economic development by facilitating the entry of young skilled people into the productive sectors of an economy, and enabling the economy to sustain or increase its productivity and competitiveness in the market place. This qualifier will improve and enhance youth knowledge by increasing their awareness of the required skills for various careers as well as job training and internship programs available to them. Partnerships with colleges and business places will be utilized to provide youth with information and resources that can increase their employability opportunities. Youth will be guided on how to identify job training programs, college career opportunities in the community

X Promote cultural diversity

The face of the United States and its workplace is changing. A growing number of neighborhoods and communities contain a complex mix of races, cultures, languages, and religious affiliations. For these reasons, today's youth are more likely to face the challenges of interacting and working with people different from themselves. The ability to relate well to all types of people in the workplace is a leadership skill that is becoming increasingly important. Understanding, accepting, and valuing diverse backgrounds can help young people in this ever-changing society. This qualifier will be performed when youth participate in two basketball tournaments and interact with other team players of different ethnicity and culture.

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

Research shows that organized sports programs can reduce crime by offering constructive alternatives to gangs and drugs during the peak hours for juvenile crime. Also, other researchers have shown that the after-school hours are also the prime time for kids to smoke, drink or use drugs, or be involved in a car crash. This qualifier will be performed by coaching the youth in basketball skills such as practicing for upcoming showcase tournaments, hands on life skill activities and group mentoring. It will also incorporate fitness activities through the Boys and Club and with the Fort Pierce Police Station for group session on substance and violence prevention and conflict resolutions. These activities will be given during the times that youth could be involved in illegal activities and other risky behaviors

X Inspire and support the healthy development of youth

According to the CDC, nearly \$147 billion per year has been spent on treating childhood obesity and related chronic diseases such as type 2 diabetes, heart disease, and asthma. The growing rate of obesity needs to be decreased, and young people are positioned to play a powerful role in this process. So how can we help young people get involved? Learning about living healthier lifestyles such as eating nutritious foods and getting exercise is essential, this will promote healthy eating and physical activity. This qualifier will be performed by teaching

youth these principles of a healthy lifestyle because they are positioned to be influencers with their peers and families. Youth will engage in the sport of basketball training for exercise and practice meal planning activities using the MyPlate program.

Prior to enrolling youth in the program each youth will complete a demographic intake application to gather data

Date project to begin: February 15st, 2018

Date project to be completed: July 31, 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.**

This program will not charge a participant's fee because many of the youth are from low income families and is unable to pay for the program.

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?**

90% of the target population is not part of the church. To ensure an objective process the program will enroll 85% of youth from low-income families within the Fort Pierce community. Program will outreach to other churches, schools, and organizations that provide services to this population. Participating in the program will not be contingent that they are a member of or be affiliated with the church.

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?**

Efforts will be made to reach out to local schools, especially in the Lincoln Park community, to facilities and businesses that provide services to low income families. Flyers about the program will be distributed at local recreational areas such as parks and recreation and will be posted on bulletin boards such as library, banks, laundromats. 90% of participants is not tied to the church so this forces the program to go out into the community to reach the target population. Program will utilize Facebook and word of mouth to notify community about the program.

25. 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")
Tournament 1 – 2 youth teams will travel to Lake County-10th Annual Harwood Classic Registration for 2 teams will be \$250 X 2 20 youth Appendix #1	\$500.00		
Hotel accommodation - 5 rooms for 2 teams \$134x 5 Appendix 4	\$670.00		
1 Vehicle Rental for 2 days \$99.00 x 2 days Appendix 5	\$198.00		
Lunch Gov. average is \$12. Requesting for \$8x\$20.00, 20 kids X 4 meals	\$640.00		
Tournament 2 - Jacksonville March Madness, FL, Registration for 1 team x #25.00 Appendix #3	\$325.00		
Hotel \$120 X 3 rooms X 2 nights Appendix #3	\$720.00		
Lunch Gov. average is \$12. Requesting Meals Lunch \$8 X10 X 2 = \$160, 10 kids x 2	\$320.00		
Equipment: Basketballs for team practice 4 @ \$54.00 Appendix 6	\$216.00		
Ballbag 1@ 27.00 Appendix 6	\$ 36.16		
Donation \$250.00 x 12 Amount of other funds secured for this program/project:		\$3,000	Secured funds will come from Resurrection Life Family Worship Center
Amount of other funds earmarked for the program/project:		\$3,400	Other funds earmarked for the program will come from the Resurrection Life Community & Economic Development Corporation from fundraising activities– fish fry and bake sale
TOTAL	\$3600.00	\$6,4000.00	

- **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. Appendix 1-6

26. **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: Trevor Banks, Jr.
Telephone Number: 772-979-0363
Email Address: trevorbanks19@trbanks.com
Organization Position:
City of Residence: Fort Pierce
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Event Organizer
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 100%

Name: Martha Banks
Telephone Number: 772-332-7363
Email Address: information@trbanks.com
Organization Position: President
City of Residence: Fort Pierce
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Administrator
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 60%

Name: Trevor Banks, Sr.
Telephone Number: 772-240-1733
Email Address: trbanks@trbanks.com
Organization Position: Vice President
City of Residence: Fort Pierce
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Coach / Mentor
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 50%

Name: Joseph Banks
Telephone Number: 772-466-9252
Email Address: jojobanks1212@yahoo.com
Organization Position:
City of Residence: Fort Pierce
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Coach
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 70%

Name: Val Laing
Telephone Number: 772-812-2751
Email Address: vallaing@trbanks.com
Organization Position:
City of Residence: Port St. Lucie
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Secretary
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 30%

Name: Shenneth Canegata
Telephone Number: 340-642-1735
Email Address: shenneth.canegata@gmail.com
Organization Position: Fundraiser Coordinator
City of Residence: Port St. Lucie
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Media & Advertising
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 30%

Name: Ruth Johnson
Telephone Number: 772-924-8989
Email Address: r.annjohnson@hotmail.com
Organization Position: Advisor
City of Residence: Fort Pierce
Qualifications: N/A
Professional Licenses: N/A
Role in Project: Fundraiser Assistant
% of Time Dedicated to Project: 60%

27. 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.