Name of Organization: HEBCAC YO!! (Youth Opportunities) Baltimore

Mission: To help improve the quality of life for East Baltimore City youth and young adults by way of education, employment, resources, and support.

Programs and Services: GED, Pre-GED & adult basic education classes, on-site tutoring, career development, employment placement assistance, internship and try-out employment opportunities, food pantry, clothing assistance closet, mental health services, life skill groups and workshops, summer employment programming, youth leadership development, youth enrichment activities, life coaching, college navigation and prep, field trips, case management, mentoring, fundraising, training/certification opportunities, resume development, community outreach.

Inspiration: The light in the eyes of a youth who wants better for their life and that of their family although they haven’t had the access to resources. The success stories of inner city youth who have been able to overcome their barriers in life, surviving life in the inner city to become productive citizens of society.

Greatest Asset: Small hands-on team of staff, and the youth who trust us with their life goals and to help get them there.

Biggest Challenge: Working with a limited amount of resources and staff while trying to improve the lives of disenfranchised youth and their families.

Involvement Opportunities: Men’s clothing (dress clothes, belts, ties/bowties, slacks, dress shoes, and casual wear), Hygiene donations (ongoing), Grooming & Hygiene Services (hair cuts, beautician services), sports facilities partnerships/access, young adult mentoring, parenting mentors, employment partnerships, monetary donations for center needs and activities, speakers on various topics

Volunteer and Work Opportunities: Tutoring, facilitate keyboarding classes, administrative volunteering, ongoing mentoring, fundraising volunteers, grant writers, group facilitator volunteers, classroom assistants.

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