

# SOURCE's Partner of the Month – April 2014

**Name of Organization:** Soccer Without Borders (SWB)

**Mission:** SWB Baltimore's mission is to use soccer to promote positive change. We do this by providing newcomer (refugee, asylee, and immigrant) youth with a toolkit they can use to overcome obstacles that might otherwise inhibit growth, inclusion, and success.

**Programs and Services:** SWB supports middle and high school youth and their families through five key programming areas: (1) soccer play and instruction, (2) off-field lessons and academic tutoring, (3) civic engagement, (4) team building, and (5) cultural exchange. SWB services include after-school programming, in-home mentoring, and other opportunities to engage in the Baltimore community.

**Inspiration:** "Soccer Without Borders is like my second family." – Kaltum, 17

**Greatest Asset:** SWB participants represent over 15 countries from around the world. The students' willingness to learn a new language and embrace a new culture in order to achieve their goals of academic success is inspiring.

**Biggest Challenge:** Most of SWB's student-athletes arrive in Baltimore knowing very little English. On any given day, SWB serves the full range of English comprehension. It can be challenging for both students and staff members to ensure understanding.

## **Volunteer Opportunities:**

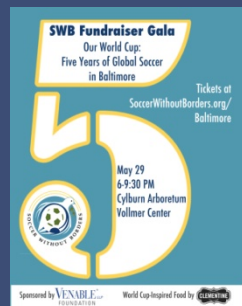
*Current opportunities:* Family Mentors & Summer 2014 Interns

*For the 2014-15 school year:* Academic Coaches (after-school tutoring)

For more information please visit our website.

## **Involvement Opportunities:**

SWB Fundraiser Gala – Thursday, May 29, 2014  
"Our World Cup," Celebrating 5 years in Baltimore!



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