



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SCHOLARSHIPS. MENTORS. HOPE.



Dear Take Stock in Children Palm Beach County Family,

Welcome to the August edition of the Take Stock Tribune! August marks an exciting new chapter as our students return to school and step into a year full of growth, learning, and opportunity. At Take Stock Palm Beach, we are proud to stand beside them every step of the way—with mentors, workshops, and resources designed to ensure their success.

This month, we've already celebrated back-to-school events, welcomed new students into the program, and prepared our scholars for the academic year ahead. As we continue into the fall, we look forward to sharing the inspiring stories, upcoming events, and community support that make our mission possible.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Take Stock Palm Beach family. Stay tuned for more updates by following our emails, newsletter and social media pages. Wishing you all a great month.

Warmly,

The Take Stock Palm Beach Team



PROGRAM NEWS

17th Annual Target Back to School Shopping



Take Stock Palm Beach kicked off the new school year with our 17th Annual Target Back-to-School Shopping Events, held at two locations this year: the Boynton Beach Target on Friday, August 1st, and the Palm Beach Lakes Target on Monday, August 4th.

Thanks to the generous support of Florida Power & Light (FPL), we were able to provide 103 Take Stock students with a \$200 gift card each to shop for back-to-school supplies alongside their mentors. From notebooks and backpacks to clothing and other essentials, our scholars were able to start the school year prepared and confident.

This event wouldn't have been possible without the dedication of our incredible mentors and volunteers —103 in total—who joined their students to make the shopping experience both fun and meaningful. We were also thrilled to have WPTV on-site to capture the excitement and highlight the impact of this community tradition.

We are deeply grateful to FPL, our mentors, and all who made this year's event a success. With the right tools in hand and the support of caring mentors, our students are ready to take on the new school year with confidence!

ALUMNI NEWS

'25-'26 EVENT LINEUP

TSIC PBC Alumni Club

AUGUST

Target Back-to-School Shopping

Support current TSIC Palm Beach students by volunteering to help them shop for school supplies in preparation for the upcoming school year.

JANUARY

Alumni Day Out / Picnic Palooza

Meet us on the green for a day party complete with field games, food vendors and a live DJ.

FEBRUARY

Bridge the Gap 5K & Beach Day

Join the alumni team at our annual Bridge the Gap 5K for bikers, runners and walkers alike! We'll reward all efforts with a relaxed day on the Riviera (beach).

MARCH

College & Career Expo

Even after finishing undergrad, learning never stops. Visit with graduate schools, certification programs and premier companies to continue advancing your career.

APRIL

College Decision Day

Celebrate the graduating class of 2026 by attending the academic version of the acclaimed "Decision Day". Maybe you'll feel called to be this year's keynote speaker.



Hi Alum!

We are excited to begin the launch of the TSIC Palm Beach Alumni Club to help you stay connected, grow your network and access exclusive opportunities. Whether you are looking to reconnect, lead, or give back, we want to hear from you! This quick survey will help us gauge your interest in alumni membership, leadership opportunities, career resources and more.

This is your chance to get in on the ground floor. Help us shape the vision, define the culture and build a legacy that continues to uplift students and communities for years to come.

You've already made it this far. Now let's take it further!

While you're at it! Take a look at our line up of events for this academic year!

[Click here for Survey](#)

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Welcome, Patricia!



We're thrilled to welcome Patricia Poldo as our new Director of Strategic Giving, leading our mission to foster meaningful partnerships and drive impactful philanthropy. With a proven track record in nonprofit leadership and strategic fundraising, she specializes in building durable donor relationships, developing innovative giving strategies, and aligning generosity with our organizational goals. In her new role, she will guide our strategic giving programs, engage key partners, and amplify the stories of the students we serve.

MENTOR NEWS



Take Stock in Children®
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PALM BEACH COUNTY

WE NEED MENTORS!

GUIDE, INSPIRE, EMPOWER: BECOME A MENTOR

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

-  You Commit to 1 School Year of School-Based Mentoring, 3x/p month either In Person or Virtual.
-  Be a Friend and Motivator. Help Guide Under-Resourced Students Toward Success.
-  As a Result, Your Mentee Receives a Guaranteed 2-Year College Scholarship!

Become a mentor with Take Stock in Children and make a lasting impact on the lives of underserved students in Palm Beach County. Just 1 hour a week can inspire and guide a young person towards a brighter future and provide them with the opportunity to pursue higher education.

No experience necessary. All backgrounds welcome.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?



www.TakeStockPalmBeach.org/Mentors

Current Take Stock Mentors, don't forget to check out the Mentor HUB for regular updates and info!

[Click Here to Access the Mentor HUB](#)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

AMERICORP 2024-2025 FAREWELL



This year, we had the incredible opportunity to host five dedicated and passionate AmeriCorps members who played a vital role in shaping the lives of our students. Abigail, Alisson, Bridget, Stephanie, and Zahariah each brought their unique strengths, compassion, and unwavering commitment to our mission.

Throughout their year of service, they supported college and career readiness initiatives, and served as role models—often going above and beyond to ensure every student felt seen, heard, and supported. Whether it was guiding students through FAFSA applications, checking in on academic progress, or simply being a consistent presence in their lives, our AmeriCorps members made a lasting impact.

Their efforts helped us expand our reach, deepen student engagement, and strengthen the foundation of support we provide. As they conclude their term of service, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for their dedication and the difference they've made in our schools, our communities, and in the lives of so many young people.

Thank you, Abigail, Alisson, Bridget, Stephanie, and Zahariah—you are forever a part of the Take Stock Palm Beach family.

Dream Investors



We are proud to shine a spotlight on one of our most dedicated partners, Florida Power & Light (FPL). This year, FPL generously donated \$5,000 to support our annual Back-to-School Target Shopping Event, ensuring students started the school year prepared and confident.

FPL's commitment to our mission extends far beyond financial support. They are steadfast sponsors of both our Bridge the Gap 5K and our Stock the Cellars Charity Wine Auction, helping us provide life-changing scholarships and mentoring for students across Palm Beach County.

In addition, FPL employees regularly volunteer their time at our events, and we are fortunate to

have one of their team members serving on our Board of Directors. Their leadership and hands-on involvement embody the true spirit of community partnership.

Thank you, FPL, for your unwavering support and for standing alongside us in empowering the next generation of scholars!

Help Sponsor a Student Today!

ABOUT US
At-risk teens face overwhelming challenges as they struggle with poverty. They desperately need the support of Take Stock in Children and its caring sponsors.
We have 15 Students on our Waitlist.
By sponsoring a Waitlisted Student your generous donation will help a student break free from adversity, unlock their potential, and create a positive life.

YOUR DONATION
Your sponsored teen will receive 5-8 years of support services:

- A Guaranteed 2-Year College Scholarship
- One-on-One Mentoring
- In school Academic Coaching
- Career Guidance
- Post Secondary Retention

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SPONSOR \$5,000

At Take Stock Palm Beach, we believe in the power of education to break the cycle of poverty. Right now, 15 promising students are eagerly waiting to join our program—but they need your help.

Our Waitlist Campaign highlights these students' inspiring stories and dreams. By sponsoring a student, you'll not only provide them with educational opportunities but also help pave their way to a brighter future.

Each student requires funding to unlock their future. This provides vital program services, including mentorship and college readiness support.

Your generosity will change lives, ensuring these students receive the support and resources they need to succeed. Any contribution—big or small—moves us closer to our goal of transforming lives through education. Together, we can make a difference.

Click here to learn more and make your donation today: [Donate Here.](#)

Thank you for believing in the power of education and for being a part of our mission to create lasting change in our community.

P.S. Every dollar makes a difference. Let's work together to ensure no student is left waiting.

[Click to Sponsor a Student](#)

WAYS TO SUPPORT

We appreciate your time and interest in our organization. Take Stock in Children's program model is rated "best in class" by the Florida Legislature, with 98% of our students graduating high school and 74% obtaining a post-secondary credential (compared to only 27% of their peer group). For low-income and minority students, education is the key to success and upward mobility. Take Stock in Children is the single-largest nonprofit purchaser of Florida Prepaid College Foundation Scholarships, with assets totaling more than \$250M and over \$20M awarded to Palm Beach County students. Our scholarship plans are purchased at half-price and matched \$ for \$ through our partnership with the Florida Prepaid Foundation, enabling us to serve twice as many students.

Join us, "take stock in a child today," and help us ensure that all students, no matter their background, have equitable access to quality education.

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