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Gloria Balerini

Executive Director, ALSE Clemente Center, Inc.

Gloria Balerini has been with the ALSE Clemente Center for over 16 years. The community center offers programs to aid Hispanic youth in need of social development, educational opportunities, and strong family support in order to become successful adults. The ALSE Clemente Center has established an after-school childcare program entitled the *Roberto Clemente Safe Haven After-School Childcare program* which brings engaging learning experiences that teach cultural appreciation, diversity, and character building. In addition, the Center implemented a program to engage Hispanic youth daily in art and music programs where youth are encouraged to explore their cultural heritage and share traditions and customs with other youth.

Charles R. Bantz, Ph.D.

Chancellor, Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) and Vice President for Long-Range Planning, Indiana University

Charles R. Bantz was appointed Indiana University vice president for long-range planning and chancellor of IUPUI and assumed his duties as the fourth chancellor of IUPUI on June 1, 2003. He holds faculty appointments at IUPUI as professor of communication studies in the IU School of Liberal Arts and professor of management in the IU Kelley School of Business. From August 2000 to May 2003, Bantz served as provost and senior vice president for academic affairs and professor of communication at Wayne State University. Bantz came to Wayne State from Arizona State University. On ASU's main campus at Tempe, Bantz served as vice provost from 1995 to 2000 and as director of university continuous improvement from 1996 to 2000. From 1989 to 1995 Bantz was chair of the ASU Department of Communication (now the Hugh Downs School of Human Communication). He has also been on the faculties of Arizona State, the University of Minnesota (Twin Cities), and the University of Colorado at Boulder. Bantz earned a bachelor's degree in English education at the University of Minnesota, a master's degree in speech-communication from the University of Minnesota, and a Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University in communication.

Peter Benson, Ph.D.

President, Search Institute

Dr. Benson is widely recognized as one of the leading contributors to the fields of child and adolescent development and is noted for identifying 40 developmental assets as the building blocks of healthy development that help young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible. His research and writing demonstrate how communities can mobilize and unite to raise healthy, successful and caring children and adolescents. Search Institute produces scientific research, evaluation, and the development of practical resources to advance the well-being of children and adolescents. Dr. Benson is also an adjunct professor of educational policy and administration at the University of Minnesota. In 1991, he received the prestigious William James Award from the American Psychological Association for career contributions to psychology.



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Dennis Bumgarner

Director, Chapel Hill Center for Brief Therapy

Dennis Bumgarner is a licensed clinical social worker and psychotherapist who has directed the Chapel Hill Center for Brief Therapy, a counseling, consulting, and training practice in Indianapolis, since its inception in 1983. During his thirty-year career, he has provided psychotherapy services to a variety of populations for the full range of personal adjustment problems.

He has presented training workshops for therapists, counselors, school personnel, and businesses across the country on a variety of topics related to human behavior. In addition to his clinical work, he is currently a lecturer in the Pastoral Care and Counseling Department at Christian Theological Seminary and is the immediate past president of Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis.

Kate Coler

Deputy Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Kate Coler, the Deputy Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services at the USDA, is responsible for managing the Nation's agricultural abundance to end hunger and improve health in the United States. Its agencies administer federal domestic nutrition assistance programs and the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion, which links scientific research to the nutrition needs of consumers through science-based dietary guidance, nutrition policy coordination, and nutrition education. Previously, Ms. Coler was Deputy Administrator of the Food Stamp Program, and under her leadership pursued an active outreach and education effort designed to improve access for low-income families and individuals.

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

Governor of Indiana

On January 10, 2005, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr. was sworn in as the 49th Governor of the State of Indiana. Mitch Daniels is leading a state government focused on creating jobs, lowering spending, and improving the lives of Hoosiers across the state. He is accomplishing what he promised. Thanks to this strong leadership, 76,000 more Hoosiers are working compared to when Governor Daniels took office. In June, Indiana will close the books on its first balanced budget in decades—without a tax increase.

Governor Daniels brought to state government an extensive background in business as President of Eli Lilly and Company's North American Operations and CEO of the Hudson Institute. Governor Daniels began his public service career as an advisor to then-Indianapolis Mayor Richard Lugar and served as Chief of Staff to Senator Lugar, Senior Advisor to President Ronald Reagan, and Director of the Office of Management and Budget to President George W. Bush. In 1967, President Lyndon Johnson named him a Presidential Scholar as the state's top male high school graduate. Daniels earned a bachelor's degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University and a law degree from Georgetown University.

Ericka Dill

Mentor, Amachi

Ericka Dill is a five-year member of the Amachi program. Ms. Dill is a South Philadelphia native and is a recent Temple University graduate with a bachelor's degree in Strategic Communication and a minor in Broadcasting and Public Relations. Ms. Dill has a fervent interest in youth development, as she has served her fellow youth congregation, high school and college student bodies for the past five years. Ericka is an aspiring business owner in the market of web design, broadcasting, program development, publication and youth development.



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Marie A. Gilliam

Amachi

Marie Gilliam is a South Philadelphia native and is a graduating senior of John Bartram High School. Marie has been active in dance and art for more than fifteen years. Marie is currently researching communicative curriculums in tri-state colleges and universities. She is aspiring to obtain a degree in Event Planning with a minor concentration in Fashion Design. Her interests and hobbies involve creative writing, sketch artistry and pre-natal care.

Wade Horn, Ph.D.

Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Wade F. Horn, Ph.D. serves as the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families in the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and is responsible for programs that promote the social and economic well-being of families. Prior to this appointment, Dr. Horn was President of the National Fatherhood Initiative, whose mission is to improve the well-being of children by increasing the number of children growing up with involved, committed and responsible fathers in their lives. He also served as a Presidential appointee to the National Commission on Children from 1990-1993, was a member of the National Commission on Childhood Disability from 1994-1995, and the U.S. Advisory Board on Welfare Indicators from 1996-1997. Dr. Horn received his Ph.D. in clinical child psychology from Southern Illinois University in 1981.

Joseph T. Jones, Jr.

Founder and President, Center for Fathers, Families and Workforce Development

Joseph T. Jones, Jr. is Founder and President of the Center for Fathers, Families, and Workforce Development (CFWD) based in Baltimore, Maryland. Since its inception in 1999, CFWD has been committed to assisting individuals regain the personal power to benefit their families and communities. The CFWD hallmark programs are *STRIVE Baltimore Employment Training Program* and the *Men's Services Responsible Fatherhood Program*. Previously, Mr. Jones has served as a community advisor on fatherhood issues to former Vice President Al Gore. Additionally, he has served on President Clinton's Work Group on Welfare Reform, the Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative Conference, and the United State Agency for International Development's delegation to Jamaica.

Jason Kamras

2005 National Teacher of the Year

In April of 2005, President Bush named Jason Kamras the 2005 National Teacher of the Year. Mr. Kamras is a seventh and eighth grade mathematics teacher at John Philip Sousa Middle School, a District of Columbia public school. He began teaching in 1996 as a member of Teach for America. Mr. Kamras was recognized for helping his students make unprecedented achievement gains in one of America's most disadvantaged communities. He was also recognized for co-founding and directing the EXPOSE digital photography program at his school, for which he previously received the Mayor's Art Award, the highest arts honor bestowed by the District of Columbia. Mr. Kamras graduated *summa cum laude* from Princeton University in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in public policy. In 2000, he earned his master's degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.



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Judith Kleinfeld, Ed.D.

Director of The Boys Project, Director of Northern Studies Program, Professor of Psychology, University of Alaska - Fairbanks

Judith Kleinfeld directs the Boys Project, an international association of educators, researchers, policymakers and parents who are seeking strategies to increase the success of boys in school and to help them become fine young men. With a bachelor's degree from Wellesley College and a doctorate from Harvard, Dr. Kleinfeld has published many books and articles on how to educate culturally diverse children. She is professor of psychology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, the Director of the Northern Studies Program, the winner of the Emil Usibelli Award for Distinguished Research, and the winner of other awards for teacher education and gender equity.

William S. Pollack, Ph.D.

Director of the Center for Men and Young Men, McLean Hospital

William S. Pollack, Ph.D. is Assistant Clinical Professor (Psychology) in the Department of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School and the Director of the Center for Men and Young Men and at McLean Hospital, Belmont, Massachusetts. A Diplomate in Clinical Psychology, he is a Founding Member and Fellow of The Society for the Psychological Study of Men and Masculinity, a division of the American Psychological Association. Dr. Pollack is Founder & Director of the REAL BOYS® Educational Programs, President of Supporting Our Sons, and a Founding Board Member of The Boys Project.

Carol Reeves

Executive Director and CEO, Greenville Family Partnership

Carol Reeves is the Director and CEO of Greenville Family Partnership in Greenville, South Carolina, whose mission is to partner with families and communities and educate youth on the effects of tobacco, alcohol, drugs and other harmful substances. She is past President of the National Family Partnership and served as Chairman of the National Red Ribbon Campaign for eight years. In addition to her work with Greenville Family Partnership and National Family Partnership, Carol serves on the Governor's Council for the Governor's Cooperative Agreement for Prevention.

Regina B. Schofield

Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice

Regina B. Schofield serves as the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) at the U.S Department of Justice. Assistant Attorney General Schofield is responsible for providing overall management and oversight of OJP, whose mission is to enlarge the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems, increase knowledge about crime and related issues, and assist crime victims. She also guides the development of OJP policy and priorities and coordinates the activities of its bureaus and offices.



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Gary Slutkin, M.D.

Executive Director, Chicago Project for Violence Prevention and CeaseFire Chicago

Gary Slutkin, M.D., founded CeaseFire Chicago as part of the Chicago Project for Violence Prevention in 1995. CeaseFire Chicago is a partnership between community-based organizations, residents, clergy, law enforcement, business and civic leaders, and corporate and philanthropic organizations. Together, these diverse groups focus on a single goal: to reduce violence in all forms in targeted CeaseFire Zones within Chicago and other communities in Illinois. Dr. Slutkin is a physician trained in medicine, infectious disease control and epidemic reversal. He received his M.D. from the University of Chicago's Pritzker School of Medicine, and did his internship and residency at San Francisco General Hospital. He has worked overseas for ten years to reverse major epidemics, including tuberculosis, cholera, and AIDS in Africa, and led the intervention development unit at the World Health Organization.

Bill Stanczykiewicz

President & CEO, Indiana Youth Institute

Bill Stanczykiewicz is President and CEO of the Indiana Youth Institute, a source of information and tools for nonprofit Indiana youth organizations to help promote positive youth development. He was awarded a fellowship with the Rockefeller Foundation's Next Generation Leadership program, the mission of which is to create a diverse inter-sectoral network of leaders, develop problem-solving models, and identify solutions to the social, economic and technological disparities which threaten democracy. Bill earned a bachelor's degree in Journalism from Northwestern University and a master's degree in Public Administration from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia.

Tim Streett

Executive Director, JIREH Sports

Tim Streett serves as the Executive Director of Jireh Sports, a mentoring program utilizing alternative sports, which grew out of a partnership with seven inner-city churches in the Martindale-Brightwood Community of Indianapolis. He is a graduate of Purdue University and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary.

Michael F. Tenbusch

Co-founder, Think Detroit PAL

Michael F. Tenbusch is the co-founder of Think Detroit, an eight-year-old non-profit organization dedicated to building character in young people through sports and leadership development. Think Detroit was awarded the Social Entrepreneurship Award by the Manhattan Institute in 2003 and was named the Best-Managed Non-Profit in Detroit by *Crain's Detroit Business* in 2004. After serving as CEO of Think Detroit for eight years, Mike currently serves as Chief Operations Officer at University Preparatory Academy—a charter school system of 1,100 students in Detroit that is dedicated to graduating 90% of its students from high school and having 90% of those students attend college or the military. He is a former member of the Board of Education for the Detroit Public Schools and graduate of the University of Michigan Law School. He also holds a bachelor's degree from Loyola University in Chicago.



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Michael R. Twyman, Ph.D.

Director of Grants Programs, Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust - Indiana

Michael R. Twyman, Ph.D., is responsible for grant activities in Indiana for the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust. He joined the Trust in 1999 following an extensive career in nonprofit management and child welfare, including positions as social services director of Flanner House, vice president of operations for Community Action of Greater Indianapolis, special assistant to Mayor Stephen Goldsmith, and working in the private sector as an independent consultant in housing and community development. Dr. Twyman is a graduate of Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee. He studied international politics at the London School of Economics and completed his graduate work at the Indiana University School of Social Work and Public and Environmental Affairs. He earned his doctorate from Indiana University.

Daniel S. Varner

Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Think Detroit PAL

Dan Varner is an attorney from Detroit Michigan and co-founder and CEO of Think Detroit, a non-profit organization dedicated to building character in the young people of Detroit through positive team sports and leadership development. Since its inception in 1997, Think Detroit has grown to annually serve 5,000 youth participants, aged 4 to 19, in its leadership development, soccer, baseball, softball, basketball, flag football, volleyball, and track and field programs. Think Detroit and its co-founders have received numerous awards, including the 2004 Best-Managed Nonprofit Award from Crain's Detroit Business, and the 2003 Social Entrepreneurship Award from the Manhattan Institute. Mr. Varner is a graduate of the University of Michigan and the University of Michigan Law School.