BCPS School Volunteer Liaison Training Webinar



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PRESENTERS

- Nyasha Mighty-Hinds
 - BCPS Office of Strategic Partnerships
- Rachel Robuste
 - BCPS 2024 School-Related
 Employee of the Year
 - School Volunteer Liaison,
 Liberty Elementary School

- Michael DeBondt
 - Raptor Technologies, LLC
- Sheilynn Carrasco
 - South Florida Institute on Aging
- Eric Chisem
 - BCPS Office of Strategic Partnerships



Agenda

- The Role of a School Volunteer Liaison
- The Experience of a School Volunteer Liaison
- Volunteer Application Process
- Level 1 and Level 2 Clearances
- Raptor Volunteer Module
- Foster Grandparent Program
- Closing Remarks



The Role of a School Volunteer Liaison

- Collaborate with the school's administration to implement the volunteer program
- Provide ongoing support to staff and volunteers
- Identify volunteer opportunities and actively recruit volunteers
- Conduct staff and volunteer orientation
- Ensure volunteer program materials and resources are updated
- Listen to volunteers' concerns and successes and resolve volunteer issues promptly



The Experience of a School Volunteer Liaison



Rachel Robuste

- BCPS 2024 School-Related Employee of the Year
- School Volunteer

 Liaison,
 Liberty Elementary
 School



School Volunteer Liaison Webpage

browardschools.com/volunteerliaisons



- ☐ Guidelines for Volunteerism
- Safety and Security Information
- ☐ Links to forms and the SVL Manual
- Volunteer Recognition and Awards



Level 1 and Level 2 Clearances

Level 1

- Online application
- Renew application annually
- Automatically screened through Raptor
- Approval email sent
- Required for ALL volunteers,
 except BCPS employees
- View volunteers by running reports in Raptor

Level 2

- SVL/School personnel sends request to Security Clearance
- Online application and fingerprinting
- Up to 10-day waiting period
- Valid for five years; renew personal information annually
- View volunteers by checking the Security Clearance Filemaker Pro database



Level 2 Clearance Information

- Level 2 clearance is <u>ONLY</u> for select volunteers such as overnight chaperones and band/athletic coaches
- Level 2 requests must ONLY include the following:
 - Name
 - Date of birth
 - School name
 - Specify role: overnight chaperone or band/athletic coach
- Volunteers must not contact Security Clearance for assistance unless their status is Denied
- BCPS employees are Level 2 cleared



Volunteer Application Process

ALL VOLUNTEERS



Complete online application at browardschools.com/volunteer

CLICK HERE





Wait to receive approval email with information about volunteer portal



Contact school volunteer liaison about current opportunities



Raptor Volunteer Module



THE GOLD STANDARD IN SCHOOL SAFETY

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Raptor University Manager Raptor Technologies, LLC



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Volunteer Management

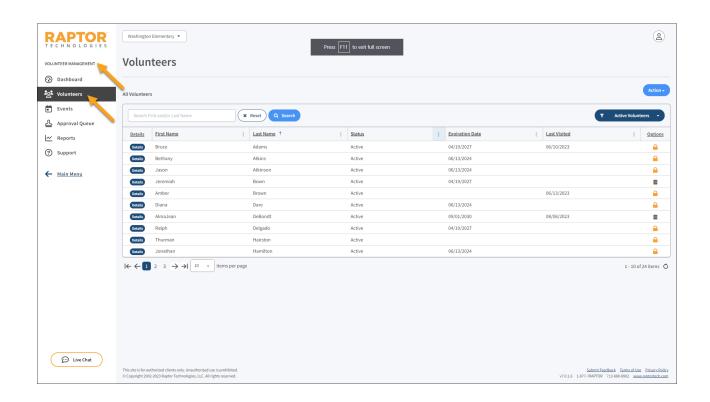
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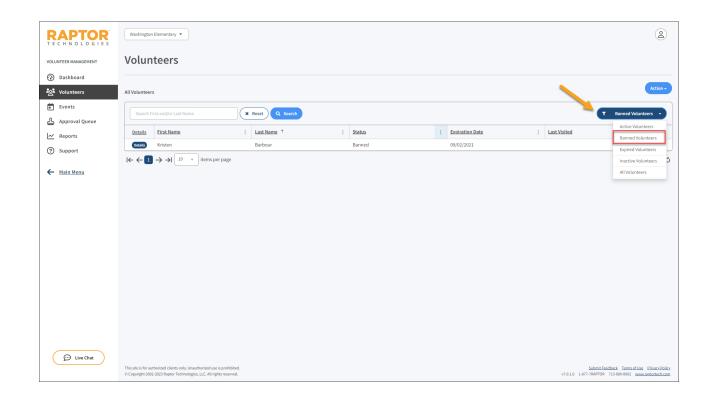


Volunteer Management – Approved Volunteers



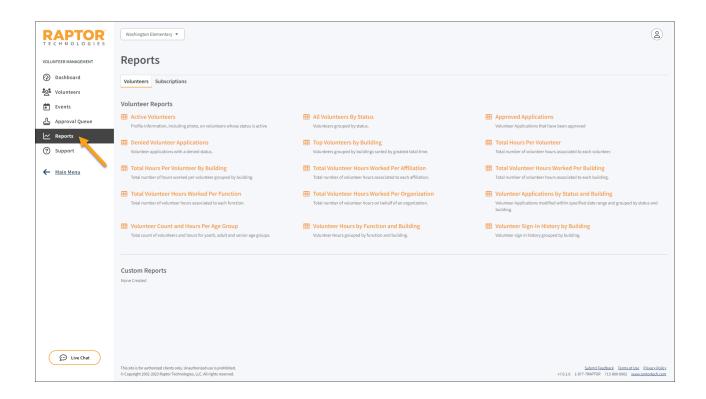


Volunteer Management – Banned Volunteers



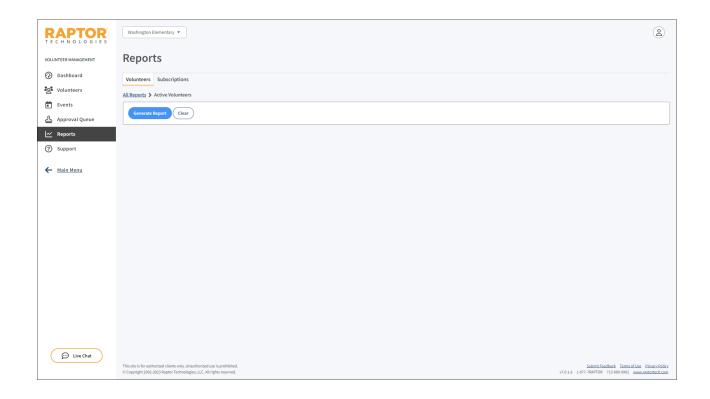


Volunteer Management – Reports



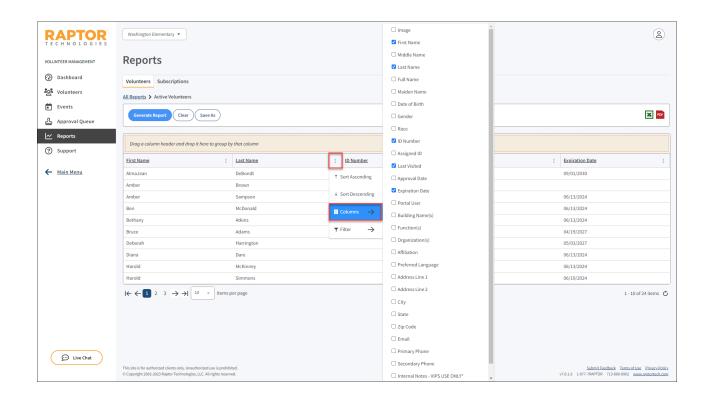


Volunteer Management – Generate a Report



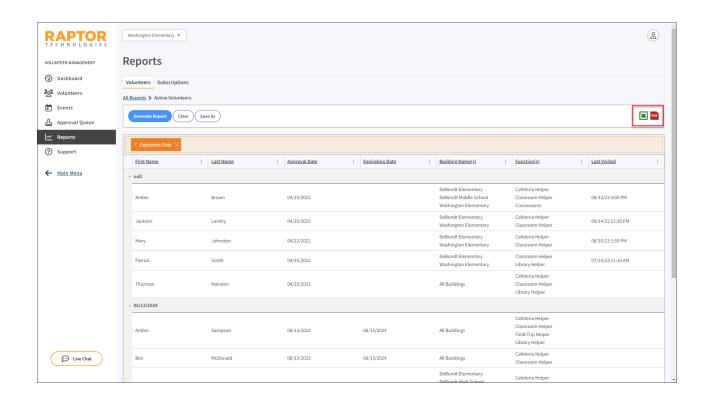


Volunteer Management – Customizing a Report



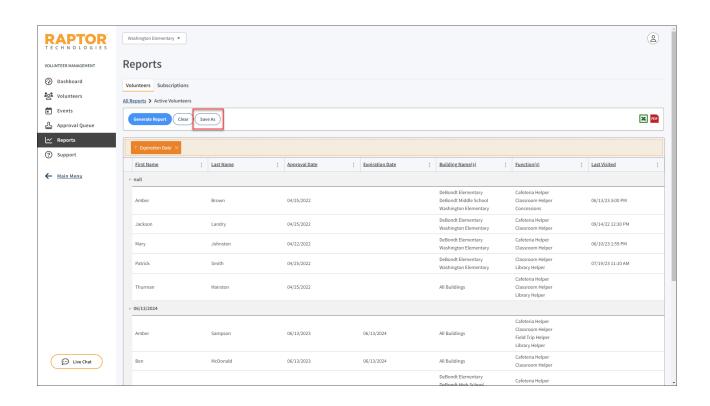


Volunteer Management – Exporting Reports



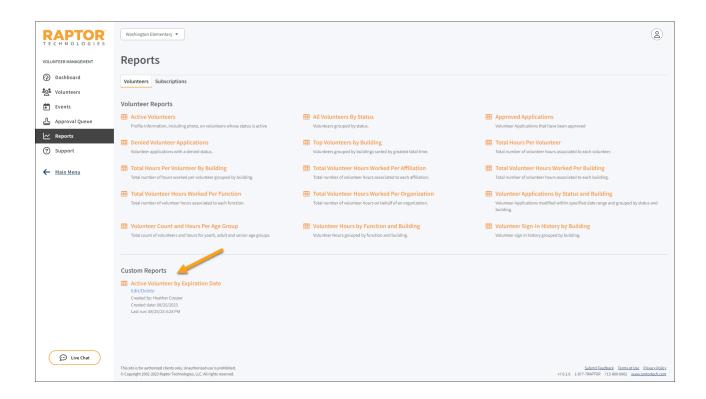


Volunteer Management – Saving a Custom Report



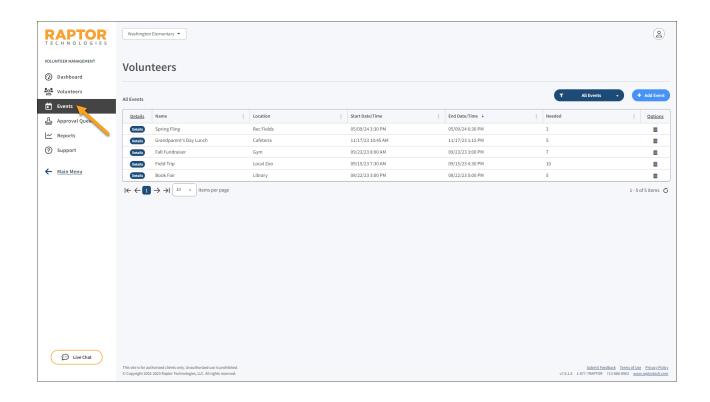


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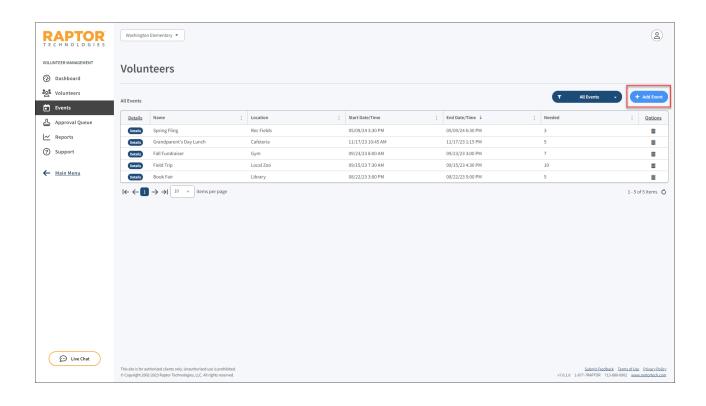


Volunteer Management – Event Management



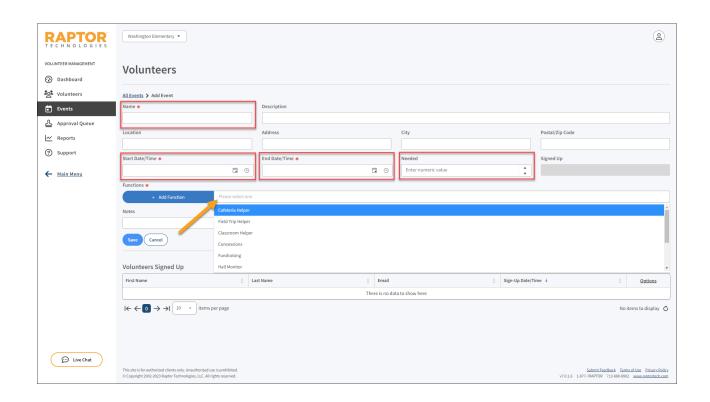


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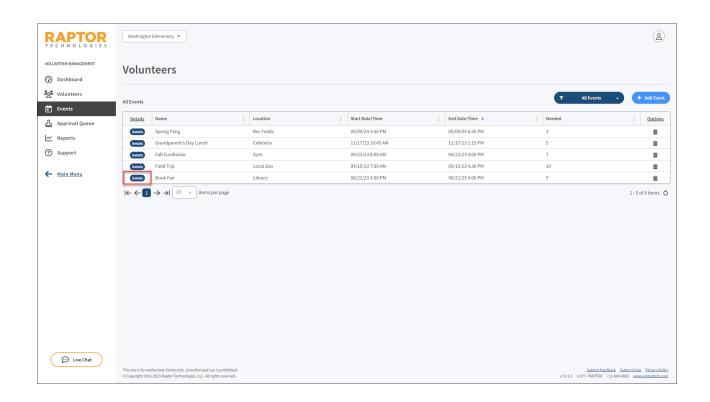


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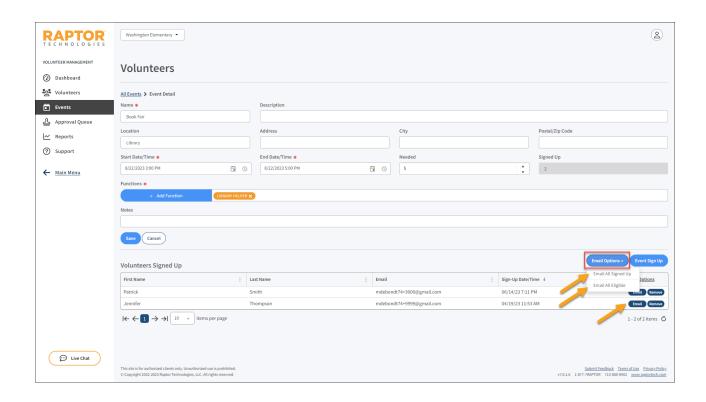


Volunteer Management – Event Details



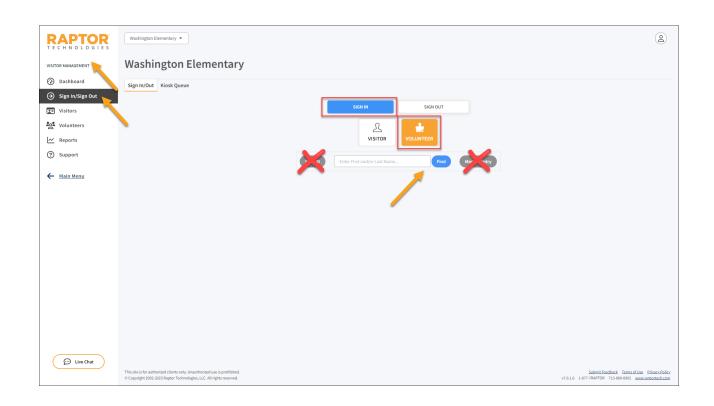


Volunteer Management – Email Options

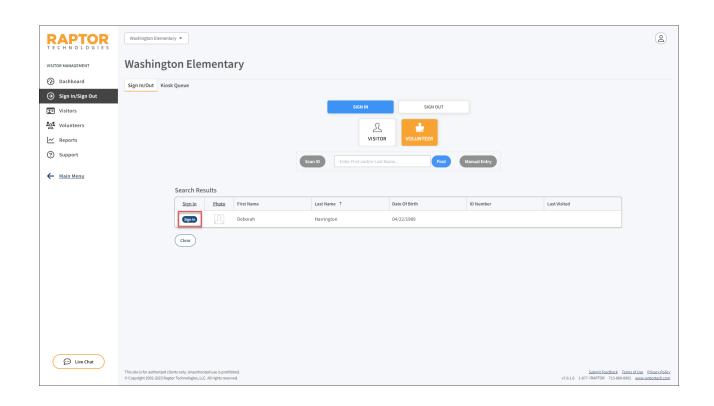




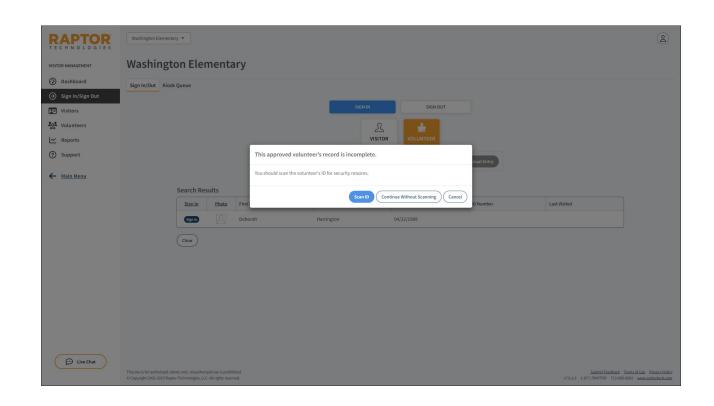
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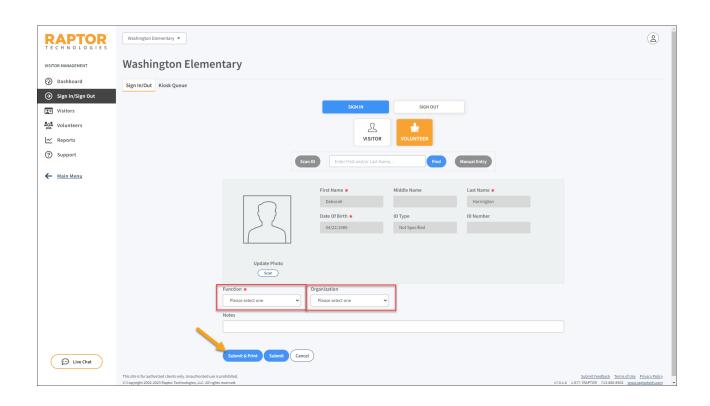




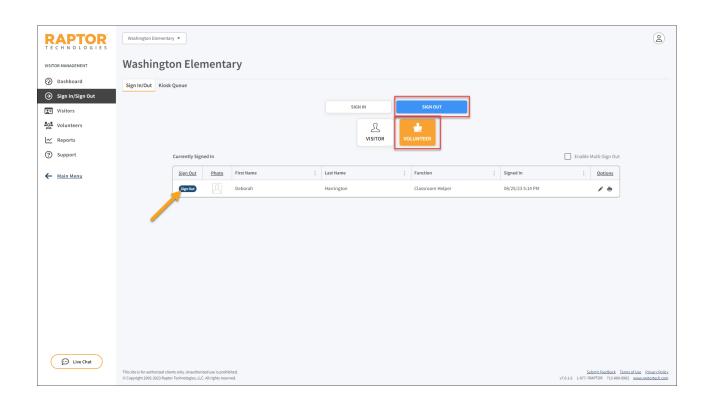






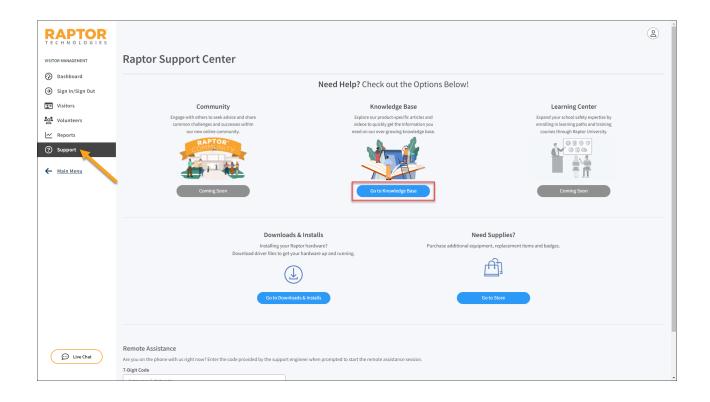






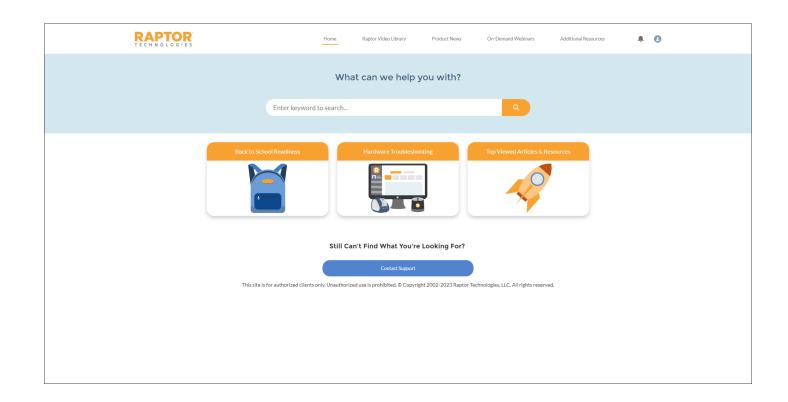


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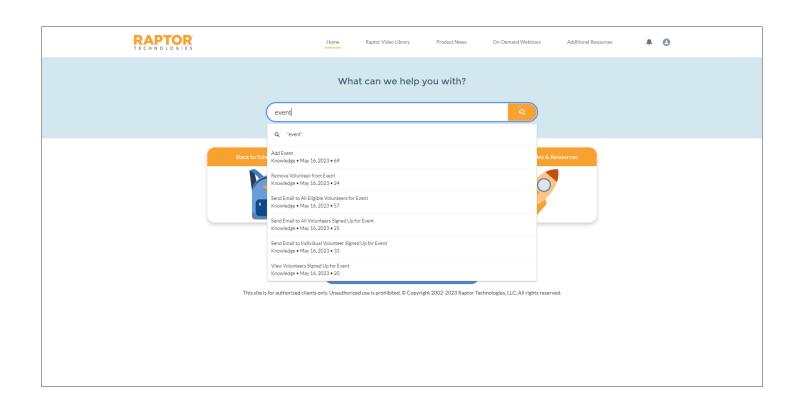


Raptor Knowledge Base





Raptor Knowledge Base – Search





Foster Grandparent Program



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Who We Are

SoFIA was formed in 1965 to harness the invaluable work and life experience of older adults, to help at-risk children achieve, struggling veterans and their families succeed, inneed seniors thrive, and Broward County non-profits innovate. This yields a double benefit – to the individuals and communities who benefit from the volunteer services and the volunteer themselves who realize proven health benefits through social interaction, ongoing engagement, opportunities to contribute, and a sense of purpose and accomplishment.



Our Mission & Our Vision

- Our Holistic Approach improves economic stability, and social insights and community services that empower people to thrive as they age.
- To connect, enhance and change lives through volunteerism.



SoFIA Program & Services

- SoFIA Care Services
- SoFIA Community Services
- SoFIA Youth Services
- SoFIA Tech Services



Foster Grandparent Program

Foster Grandparents serve in Title 1 schools, nonprofit childcare centers and preschools throughout Broward County to support at risk students. Volunteers tutor, mentor and nurture children to help them advance academically and socially.

Eligibility & Benefits

- Age 55 years and older
- Meet income guidelines and no longer employed
- Pass Level II background screening
- Pass annual physical
- Serve 15- 20 hours weekly
- Complete 40 hours of initial training and attend ongoing monthly trainings
- Receive hourly stipend & travel reimbursement



Application & Placement Process

- Preliminary Interview (phone or in person)
- Completion of Application

Proof of Income

Proof of ID

Permission to conduct background check

Completion of Background Clearance

NSPOW

Level II Clearance

- Physical/Wellness Exam
- Completion of 20 hrs of training
- Contact school(s) to confirm classroom placement
- Completion of site training & site shadowing
- Probationary Period & 90 day review (Performance Evaluations)



Child Assignment Plan

Child Assignment Plan must be completed bi-annually. The Program Staff reviews the Plan with the Foster Grandparent to ensure understanding about how to support the assigned children. The Child Assignment Plan should be completed each time a new child is assigned to a Foster Grandparent. This document is then signed by the Foster Grandparent, the Site Supervisor, and the Program Director. This plan includes the following:

- Child served (name and demographics)
- Period of time the child will receive support
- # of hours served per week

Transition to Virtual FGP

Afterschool with Grandma

Afterschool w/Grandma will begin February 17th from 3:30pm-5:00pm. The first session will be with Mind & Melody, an agency that provides music therapy to children with special or exceptional needs. During the session students and Grandmas will do sing along, learn about instruments, create Rhythm & Tempo and end with a disco dance party.

<u>Diabetes Prevention Program/Self Management</u>

Holy Cross will be providing a VIRTUAL (ONLINE) Diabetes Prevention Program starting in February. It's a **year long commitment to participate in this program. The classes will count as in-service training and volunteers will receive a stipend for participating.** There will be a total of 26 sessions for the year. There will be 3 groups of 15-18 people in each class and that will meet once a week for the first 16 weeks (March - June) then every other week for two months (June & July). The last 6 months (July - Feb) of the program we meet once a month. Holy-Cross has been sent a list of volunteers that are interested in participating (see attached) it is the same list of volunteers I sent my initial email to. Only volunteers that can do video calls by phone, tablet, laptop or computer using the Zoom app can participate.

Virtual FGP Continued

In-service Training

We will continue to have our in-service training every third Tuesday of the month. We will also share other workshops and trainings from our community partners as they become available.

Weekly Check in Calls

Please continue to call volunteers on a weekly basis to check in with them about any program updates, changes they may have with us, and for any resources they may need.



Contact Us!

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Volunteer Awards and Recognition

- ❖ District-Level Awards
 - 2025 Community Involvement Awards
 - Thursday, May 22, 2025
 - Outstanding Volunteer Awards
 - Years of Service Awards
 - Hours of Service Award



- Florida School Volunteer Appreciation Month National Volunteer Appreciation Month
 - April 2025



Closing Remarks



Eric Chisem

Director, Strategic Partnerships



Important Reminders

- To access the Raptor database send your name, school and P-number to volunteer@browardschools.com
- Volunteers receive a name tag for each visit
- Only email volunteers who select your school
- SVL webpage browardschools.com/volunteerliaisons
- Level 2 clearance is ONLY for select volunteers such as overnight chaperones and band/athletic coaches



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