

Cornerstone Kids, Inc. Annual Report 2016

Cornerstone Kids, Inc. operates Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. with 37 children, a dedicated staff of seven and a small pool of volunteers.

Program Activities (August – May)

- KidzLit Reading and KidzMath Programs & Daily Homework Assistance
- Introduced the “Mad Science” program to cover the “S” in STEM.
- Black History Month Soul Food Dinner
- Annual Book Give-A-Way with Lowell Tausik, ventriloquist/magician as guest
- Easter & Christmas Party with St. John’s Episcopal Youth Group
- The International Harp Therapy Program with Sharon Stoll
- Participated in Fall Festival at St. JHOP
- All families received a Thanksgiving Basket and a gift certificate donated by the Board
- Christmas party hosted by Teens in Action
- Annual Christmas program and gift distribution. (Gifts donated by St Mary’s Day School & St. John’s Episcopal Outreach)

Summer Enrichment Program(June-July)

- Vacation Bible School at St. Andrews, St. John’s, and St. James Episcopal Church
- Financial Literacy Workshop w/Mr. Robert West of TD Bank
- **Field Trips:** Pin Chasers, USA Skates and Glazer Children’s Museum.
- Numerous other Summer Enrichment activities and End of Summer Program
- School supplies and backpack distribution/donated by St. John’s Episcopal Church of Tampa and Ms. Tiphani Sanders and the Young Black Professionals donated uniforms.

Partnerships/Mentors

- Teens In Action Volunteer Group -Frameworks (6 to 8 Teens)
- Southwest Florida Episcopal Church Women Diocesan Board
- Travelers Foundation Reading Mentors
- The Junior League of Tampa-Weekend Food Bags
- The 5th Grade Class at St. Mary’s Episcopal School
- Feeding America Tampa Bay (Food Bank)
- University of Tampa Food Network Group & Volunteers
- St. John’s Episcopal Church ECW-Clearwater
- St. Mark’s ECW-Marco Island
- Good Samaritan Church ECW -Clearwater
- St. John’s Outreach Committee(Tampa)
- St John the Divine ECW/ Sun City

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Olatha Leggett,
Program Director

