



LITTLE LIGHT
INTERNATIONAL

Thank you so much for the 5K grant!

You've helped us to partner with our community. We have been able to strengthen partnerships with local youth organizations and provide valuable resources- including backpacks, scholarships, and mentorship opportunities!

Zoom Account for Educational Webinars!

Financial Literacy Webinars

In the Spring of 2021, Little Light International hosted a 3 part financial webinar series with Associate Attorney, Gershom Benitez. Mr. Benitez shared about financial literacy & freedom, credit, financial planning for college, and how to take steps to invest as a student.

Financial
Literacy



April 29, 2021

May 6, 2021

May 13, 2021

"Turn your life of debt to a life of investment"

GERSHOM BENITEZ
ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

\$2,000 = 1,000 3 ring binder for back to school backpack drive



Back To School Backpack Drive by Mother's in Action (low-income youth in South LA)



\$1000 = to start 2021 Little Light Scholarship/Essay Contest

2 \$500 Scholarships Winners



Chloe Alexandria Jackson is a native of Inglewood, CA and graduated from St. Bernard High School in Playa del Rey, CA in the spring of 2021. Currently, Chloe is a freshman at Clark Atlanta University pursuing a degree in architect with emphasis in Visual/Graphic Arts. Upon graduation, she plans to work as a graphic/interior designer.

“Education is the single most important tool that I can acquire to change the world. I believe it’s my passport to “be an agent of change,” and create a better world for me and my peers. Furthering my education, will not only open up a window of opportunities, but give me access to enhance my knowledge.”



Michael Bailey is a first-year student at Maryville College in Tennessee. He entered college as an Economics major, but soon became interested in Criminal Justice. However, he finally decided to pursue Biochemistry.

“I guess it is safe to say that I am interested in many disciplines. Since arriving on campus, I got involved with the Black Student Alliance, Student Conduct Board and I currently serve as the Vice President of the Global Citizenship Organisation (a club I was destined to join since I was born in Jamaica). I like many quotes but especially love Nelson Mandela’s Education is the most powerful weapon that one can use to change the world. Education is important to me because it gives me hope for a better future.”

Hope Gardens Volunteer Day Budget \$500

November 20th 1:00-5:00 PM (COMING SOON!)

40+ youth experiencing homelessness

10 volunteers

Activities, arts & crafts, scavenger hunt

(These mentorship and outreach events will take place quarterly to strengthen relationship with the youth and to provide necessary resources to empower them)

Overview & Impact:

With NHNENC 5K Grant we received in May 2021, we have been able to:

- 1) Open a Zoom business account and host a 3 part financial literacy webinar via Zoom from May-June inviting local orgs such as hope gardens, Asian Youth Center, CCNP, KYCC
- 2) Donate \$2,000 worth of supplies (\$2 per 3-ring binder = quantity of 1,000) to low-income students
- 3) Start a Scholarship Fund that awarded \$500 to 2 students this October (fall 2021). We will have another \$1,000 to be awarded to 2 students in January
- 4) Partner with Up4Youth & Extraordinary Families to pull volunteers to commit to mentoring foster youth throughout Los Angeles Ages 16-26
- 5) Begin our own volunteer outreach program to strength relationship and mentorship opportunities for students experiencing homelessness at Hope Gardens in Sylmar, CA. (Budget of \$500 per event to supply arts/crafts/supplies for 40-50 youth, quarterly)

Thank you so much!!

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