

PROJECT SUCCESS

100 Black Men of Greater Detroit (100BMOGD) in partnership with Southeastern High School (DPS/Communities in Schools) implemented Project Success, in the spring semester of 2007.

In anticipation of the third year of the program set to begin in the fall of 2009 for students that participate in Project Success, the goal is to increase the graduation rate of students participating in the program to 90%, compared to the general student body. We are accomplishing this by:

- Providing on-site mentoring through the members of 100 Black Men
- Providing a program schedule which emphasizes career/vocational exposure, financial and academic education, entrepreneurship/business acumen, positive self image and community service
- Improving academic achievement through tutoring and enrichment activities
- Emphasizing parental involvement in the program and in their academics

100BMOGD is implementing a dynamic program with Southeastern High School 10th and 11th graders to meet for duration of 16 weeks on Saturdays beginning the fall of 2009 which will facilitate curriculum material and mentor students. The growth strategy for Project Success includes comprehensive efforts in the following three areas: Retention, Programming and Resources.

As we raise funds for the program, we intend to maintain our participation of 30 students per year. We will include formalized annual evaluations of the program and facilitate new member training on school mentoring.

Funds are also used to create incentives for the students to increase their GPA and improve attendance. In 2008 we provided an all expenses paid trip for 12 young men to the 100 Black Men Annual Conference in Orlando, FL that met a set goal for academic improvement. This year we took 12 young men to the conference in New York, NY. Next year our goal is to provide all expense paid trip for all students actively enrolled in our program to the Annual Conference in Ft. Lauderdale, FL where students will once again represent the Detroit chapter in various youth programs and academic competitions. Here they will be exposed to other young minds from around the country with a similar desire for success and achievement.

Some of these young men will be at the 2009 100BMOGD Excellence Awards Gala to personally thank our sponsors and share their experiences that they have enjoyed as a result of your financial support.

For more information about the program and activities visit us at www.100blackmendetrait.org.