

## PARTNERS

**The Department of Children & Families.** Protects the Vulnerable, Promotes Strong and Economically Self-Sufficient Families, and Advances Personal and Family Recovery and Resiliency. Central to this mission is the collaboration with all community stakeholders in the planning, implementation and ongoing assessment of both the needs and services of that community.

**Broward Sheriff's Office Youth Intervention & Enforcement Division.** Operates a comprehensive delivery that encompasses prevention, diversion, intervention and enforcement measures which will positively impact public safety by reducing juvenile delinquency in Broward County.

**Department of Juvenile Justice** increases public safety by reducing juvenile delinquency through effective prevention, intervention and treatment services that strengthen families and turn around the lives of troubled youth.

**The United Way of Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse** serves as a coalition-building organization that brokers partnerships between federal, state and local agencies to foster, develop, and enhance integrated drug-free efforts throughout Broward County, while searching for innovative and effective ways to address the issue of substance use/abuse.

**The Children's Services Council of Broward County** Provides the leadership, advocacy and resources necessary to enhance children's lives and empower them to become responsible, productive adults through collaborative planning and funding of a continuum of quality care.

**The Children's Services Board of Broward County** is committed to improve the life of the children of Broward County and to focus on planning and coordination of services, serve as a principle source of knowledge for the special needs of children, and serve as an advocate for children's services.

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# PROJECT BRIDGE Safe Schools Healthy Students



Educators



Broward County  Public Schools

## WHO WE ARE

Project Bridge is a community-wide program for students, parents, and educators promoting school safety and healthy youth development.

In 2007 the Broward County School District launched Project Bridge Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative with the support of a grant by the U.S. Department of Juvenile Justice and Health and Human Services.



## WHAT WE DO

### Project Bridge Targets The Following Areas:

- Safe School Environments
- Violence Prevention
- Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drug Prevention
- Mental Health
- Early Childhood



### Service Delivery

Service delivery focuses on efficient use of resources. Each school in Broward County has designated a Prevention Liaison/Designee.

The liaisons with the support of their assigned specialist disseminates resources and curriculum at their school. The liaison heads a prevention team that assists in the implementation of programs.

### Services Provided:

- Needs assessments
- Assistance in analyzing prevention related data
- Staff development and coaching
- Train-the-Trainer for program fidelity and implementation.
- Assisting with curriculum selection and delivery
- Linkage to community based organizations and providers



## WHAT WE OFFER

### Program/Services Offered:

#### Get Real About Violence grades K-12

**Get Real about Violence™** shows students that violence is a problem affecting them, explains some of the factors that contribute to violence, and teaches students ways to prevent and avoid violence.

#### Keepin' It Real grades 6-12

**Keepin' It REAL** teaches students how to say no by presenting practical drug resistance strategies that are easy for them to remember and use. Students learn how to recognize risk, value their own beliefs and feelings, and make choices that support their values.

#### Too Good For Drugs grades K-5

**Too Good for Drugs** helps students to avoid negative influences by developing skills related to goal setting, decision making, bonding with others, identifying and managing emotions, and communicating effectively.

Civil Citation program helping to reduce delinquency

Expansion of Youth Empowerment Clubs and activities for Grades K-12. Example: Write Side Poets, Human Relations and SADD

Classroom management training and support for teachers

Assisting students and families in accessing mental health services

Helping teen parents and their caregivers develop and strengthen nurturing parenting skills

Supporting Mentoring & Early Childhood Programs