

A young woman with short dark hair, smiling, is the central figure. She is wearing a dark blue basketball jersey with yellow sleeves and the text "OFF THE STREET CLUB BASKETBALL" and the number "11". She is holding a large orange basketball in her right hand. In the background, three other children are visible: a boy in a blue polo shirt, a boy in a white polo shirt and glasses, and a boy in a yellow t-shirt and blue shorts. The background is a light blue with faint silhouettes of people and a city skyline.

OFF THE STREET CLUB

HOPE HAS A HOME

Since 1900, Off The Street Club has provided a safe haven where kids between the ages of 5 and 18 from Chicago's tough West Side can experience joy, hope, and achievement.

We invite you to get to know them and learn how your support will directly impact and save lives.

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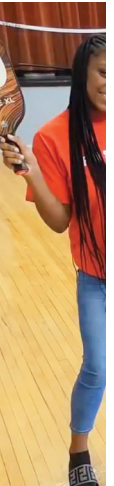
Each year we welcome over 2,500 kids to our North Karlov Street clubhouse, offering unique opportunities in athletics, academics, technology, arts, and other activities in short supply. Kids like Mariyah. **“My motto is ‘Leave your fear at the door’. So, when I come inside the club, I’m not scared. I know a lot of kind people there that are very friendly and make me feel special.”**

The over-arching goal of Off The Street Club is to develop productive, successful citizens who become positive contributors to Chicago communities.

Against the backdrop of West Garfield Park, where crime, gangs, and drugs are a daily threat, we offer hope and an alternate path. The Off The Street Club is a place where kids living in this neighborhood have a safe place to learn, laugh, and play without worry.

To fund these activities that make a difference in the lives of deserving West Side kids, we rely on support of individuals, corporations, and foundations committed to improving the lives of Chicago’s children as they grow from being great kids to being great adults.

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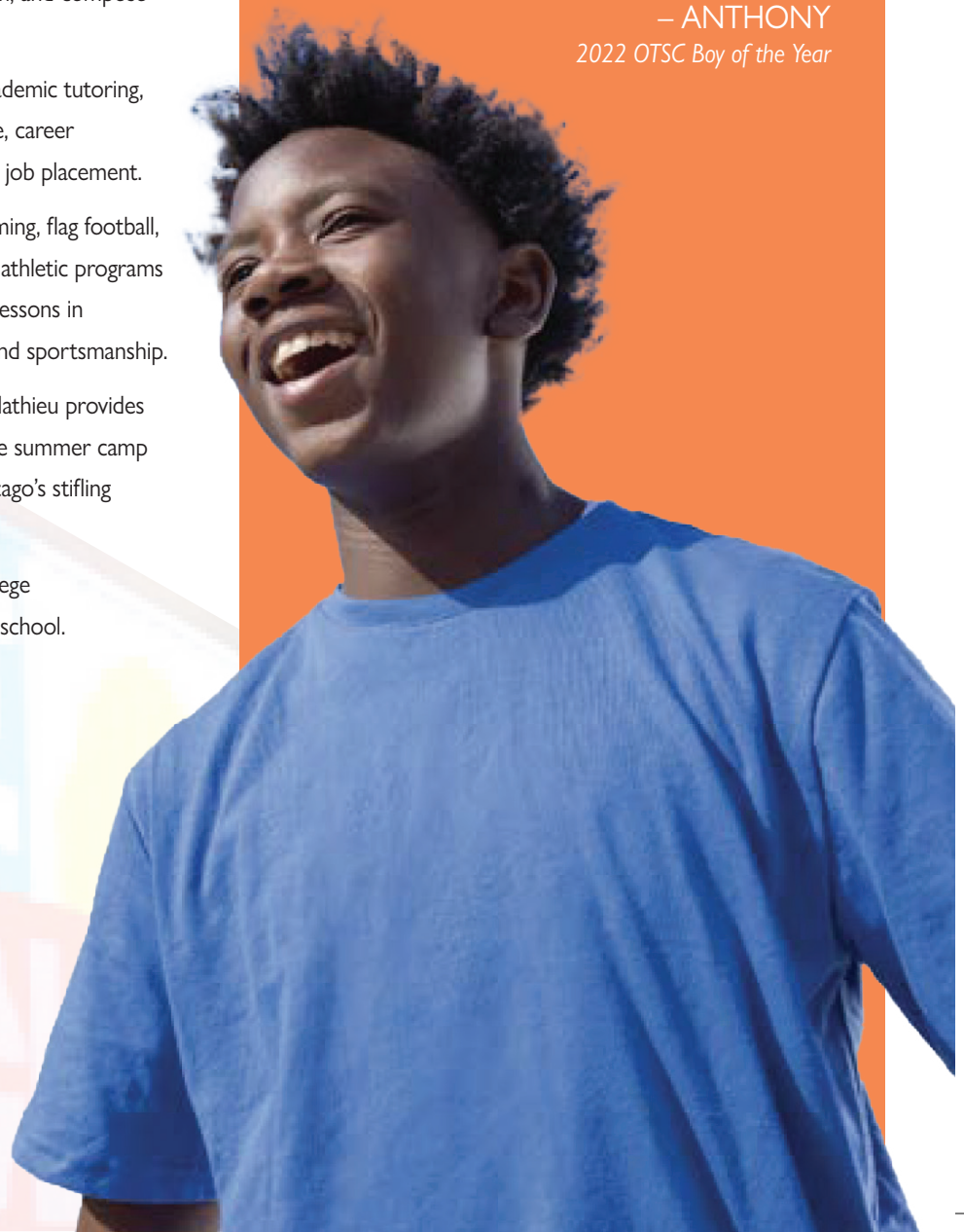


We provide a safe haven to kids from 6 grammar schools and 5 high schools who make a formal commitment to avoiding gang life and upholding the values of showing respect for both peers and adults, resilience, the value of education, and patriotism.

- Off the Street Club members can learn to play musical instruments, participate in our Jazz Masters program, and compose their own music.
- Our volunteers provide academic tutoring, mentoring, college guidance, career counseling, internships, and job placement.
- Basketball, volleyball, swimming, flag football, and kickball are among the athletic programs we offer. Each begins with lessons in fundamentals, teamwork, and sportsmanship.
- Each summer, our Camp Mathieu provides nearly 1,000 kids with a safe summer camp experience away from Chicago's stifling and dangerous streets.
- 97% of our kids attend college or are employed after high school.

“To be a leader here, you’ve got to be an outstanding person. You’ve got to know what’s right. If someone else tries to encourage you to do something you know is wrong, you’ve got to be a leader and tell them you can’t participate in that kind of stuff.”

– ANTHONY
2022 OTSC Boy of the Year



There is a place in West Garfield Park where, for a few hours each day, despite so many challenges, reality is paused for the children living in this neighborhood. Where feelings of worry and fear are replaced with laughter and joy in a safe place to play. Off The Street Club kids are expected to grow into good citizens who will have a positive impact in their communities as adults.

Our kids deserve opportunity and always work to earn respect and acceptance. The Off The Street Club instills the values, skills, and confidence kids need to pursue their dreams today and thrive in the future. Let us show you how you can help make a difference in their lives.

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