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CareerSource South Florida to Award \$1.4 Million In Academic Scholarships for Two-Year College Education

MIAMI, FL – March 14, 2024 - CareerSource South Florida is thrilled to announce its commitment to education with the award of \$1.4 million dollars in scholarships, benefiting 186 students pursuing a two-year college education in the state. This initiative is part of the Take Stock in Children, Inc. program, a statewide organization dedicated to assisting economically disadvantaged youth and their families, ensuring they stay in school and providing scholarships to those who successfully complete high school.

“For more than 22 years, we have been successfully granting these scholarships,” said Rick Beasley, Executive Director of CareerSource South Florida. “This scholarship investment is an incredible opportunity for high school juniors to capitalize on. It provides students, who might otherwise lack the opportunity or the resources to pursue a college education, with the means to do so.”

Through this program, CareerSource South Florida will distribute 186 Florida Prepaid College Plan Scholarships to various Community Based Organizations, including Take Stock in Children, 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project, Mexican American Council, Mourning Family Foundation, Kiwanis Club of Little Havana, Amigos for Kids, and Voices for Children Foundation. These organizations will also offer educational, social, and mentoring services to at-risk youth who might not otherwise enroll in a post-secondary institution.

CareerSource South Florida is committed to strengthening communities by actively supporting and empowering youth to attain employment opportunities and explore various post-secondary educational pathways. “This commitment underscores our belief that by offering comprehensive assistance and resources, we can foster the personal growth and development of youth, enabling them to become valuable contributors to their communities and sociate at large, thereby creating a brighter and more prosperous future,” added Beasley.

About CareerSource South Florida

CareerSource South Florida is a public-private partnership that establishes state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties. CareerSource South Florida provides high quality, customized employment and training solutions to workers and employers in support of economic development. Services are available to everyone at no cost through a network of centers located throughout the region. For more information on CareerSource South Florida, including valuable resources for businesses and job seekers, please visit www.careersourcesfl.com.

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