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## BRIDGING THE GAP IN TEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

**(MIAMI, February 18, 2016)** - CareerSource South Florida in partnership with the Miami-Dade County Public Schools awarded City Year Miami \$200,000 to provide academic services to 860 ninth graders in ten academically challenged senior high schools in Miami-Dade County.

City Year provides school districts with a scalable, centrally managed model that delivers a holistic set of whole school and focuses on academic and social emotional support to students, ensuring they stay on track to graduate. As one of the nation's largest AmeriCorps programs with established sites in over twenty five diverse backgrounds for a year of full time service to support school districts in their efforts to transform our nation's lowest achieving schools.

Through the partnership with CareerSource South Florida, City Year Miami will support students of Booker T. Washington High School, Miami Carol City, Miami Central, Miami Edison, Homestead Senior High, Miami Jackson, Miami Norland, North Miami, Miami Northwestern, and Southridge Senior High Schools by focusing on attendance, behavior, and academics. City Year is committed to supporting Miami-Dade County Public School's vision of commitment to provide educational excellence for all, and turn around low performing schools.

CareerSource South Florida's investment will accelerate student achievement in high need schools and support the district's reform efforts, ensuring that an increased number of students have the foundational skills to be viable in a competitive landscape of workforce development. City Year Miami's program activities will improve school readiness for economically disadvantaged students in academically challenging senior high schools, and prepare students for success in post-secondary educational institutions.

### **About CareerSource South Florida**

CareerSource South Florida is a public-private partnership and integral partnership and integral partner in Miami-Dade's economic plan that initiates state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. CareerSource South Florida's services and resources are available to everyone at no cost through a network of Career Centers located throughout the Region.

Learn more about the City Year Miami Program by contacting Youth Programs at 305-594-7615 ext. 243 or by visiting [www.careersourcesfl.com](http://www.careersourcesfl.com).

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