



GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

Golden Gate Inc., trading as Golden Gate Community Learning Center, will serve southern New Jersey communities in Camden City. The program will embrace and empower approximately 125 at-risk youth in grades 4 through 6, before they become victim to drugs or a stray bullet from the crossfire of gang violence.

The program: *Golden Gate 21st Century Community Learning Center* will: 1) connect students' after school activities to the regular school day; 2) will evaluate those activities impact on student achievement, 3) encourage family and community involvement in learning, 4) forge a strong bond between parent and child and, 5) provide the necessity of a safe haven for students who otherwise would be victims of violence. A unique and creative blend of living arts presentations, health/nutritional enrichment, technology, self esteem and leadership development, provides a seamless delivery system of services to low-income, high risk youth. Students will be able to proceed into the 21st Century with the essential skills, comprehension and attitude necessary to achieve success.

In support of Governor Corzine's Strategy for Safe Streets and Neighborhoods, an eight week summer enrichment program entitled: Summer Blitz which is a component to our Healthy Choice Program, will provide participants opportunities in community development and service, while exposing students to career/job opportunities.

P.A.R.E.N.T. (*Parents Are Responsible Educators Now and Tomorrow*) and **P.A.C.I.L.A** (*Parent and Child Interactive Literacy Activities*) are designed to restore the education barrier in families while successfully helping parents to help their child to develop in positive ways through playing a major role in the program development and implementation. Parents are expected to actively participate in parenting workshops that will enhance parenting/coping skills. The outcomes are expected to positively impact the parent's ability to interface with their child while successfully reinforcing and supporting their child's learning.

The Center will implement six program components:

1. Personalized tutoring by Certified Teachers/ Homework Lab
2. Arts & Crafts
3. Youth Development
4. Cultural & Artistic Enrichment Activities
5. Physical Enrichment Activities
6. Parental Involvement

The program expects an outcome of: 90% of the Center's total enrollment of fourth through sixth grade participants pass both the language arts and math portion of the state assessment, with measurable documentation of quarterly report cards and School Profile achievement scores.