





2024 PROGRAM

TRANSFORMING THE LIVES OF SOUTH FLORIDA'S FORMER FOSTER YOUTHS



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And we're inviting you to be a part of an exclusive, exciting and amazingly fulfilling adventure that will forever transform the future of so many deserving young men and women in South Florida... And yours as well!



Out Of Foster Foundation

Incorporated in early 2017 as MagicWaste Foundation Inc., Out Of Foster Foundation (OOFF), formerly MagicWaste Youth Foundation (MWYF), is an all-volunteer, 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization focused on assisting disadvantaged youths with their housing, life and work skills, financial literacy, and educational needs as they turn 18 years old and emerge from the foster care system.

Based in the City of Doral, Florida, OOFF is the brainchild of Rodolfo "Rudy" Bustamante, a local entrepreneur, who serves as its president and guiding force. The foundation actively seeks donations and grants to support its programs, including the **Excalibur Youth Empowerment Project** (Excalibur Project[®]).



Its mission is to provide these young men and women with the support, guidance and specialized programs that will enable them to

- Rise above their circumstances;
- Stay off the streets, away from gangs, violence and drugs;

• Develop to their fullest potential; and

 Build a better future for themselves, their families and peers, and their community. In late 2019, OOFF, then MWYF, entered into an unprecedented partnership with Citrus Family Care Network (Citrus FCN), a community-based care lead agency for child welfare in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties, to assist local young adults with their independent living pursuits.

The partnership calls for Out Of Foster Foundation, through its Excalibur Project, to raise funds and in-kind donations to subsidize rental expenses for former foster youths between the ages of 18 and 23, in need of housing assistance.

Access to higher education is the best opportunity —and reward— that the organization can offer any former foster youth that has emerged victorious from his or her special circumstances and attained a high school diploma. This is why OOFF, then MWYF, formed a strategic alliance with Miami-Dade College Foundation six years ago and funds six (6) annual scholarships exclusively for former foster care young adults enrolled at MDC.

In mid-2021, the foundation launched its Financial Literacy program, sponsored and hosted by SYNOVUS Bank, which teaches budgeting, money management and planning.

Plans are in the works for OOFF to offer its first Work Skills seminar later this year, starting with résumé writing, interview training, personal appearance, and other job-related proficiencies.

Why "Excalibur?"

For centuries, the legend of King Arthur and Excalibur, the mythical, magical sword indelibly associated with the right-ful sovereignty of Britain, has mesmerized young and old.

In some ancient accounts, a young Arthur ascended to the British throne by pulling a sword sticking out from an anvil atop a large stone that had appeared mysteriously in a churchyard on Christmas Eve. The stone had a message etched onto it:

"Whoso pulleth out this sword of this stone and anvil, is rightwise king born."

Another version claims that Excalibur was given to Arthur by the Lady of the Lake sometime after he began to reign. However different, both legends agree that Excalibur endowed King Arthur, a valiant and wise young warrior, with special powers, status and success.

That is precisely what The Excalibur Project[®] does for the foster youths who have aged-out of the system, have nowhere to go, possess very limited resources and even fewer professional connections, need guidance, and yet are wholeheartedly committed to building a better future for themselves, their loved ones and their community.

As its name — the Excalibur Youth Empowerment Project — states, its mission is to transfer the "powers" of the mythical sword and provide these young adults every tool to support their dreams, commitment and effort: From housing, life and work skills training, financial literacy, social enhancement, job opportunities, and more.

In 2022, the Excalibur Project[®] was renamed The José "Pepe" Díaz Youth Empowerment Project in honor of its longtime supporter, Sweetwater Mayor José "Pepe" Díaz.



Step By Step: How It Works

Out Of Foster Foundation is on a mission to give our community's former foster youths a fighting chance at a bright, prosperous future by enhancing their access to housing, life and work skills training, financial literacy, and employment opportunities.

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STEP 1.

Together with local foster care system managers, counselors, and experts at



our official EXCALIBUR Project®



Program Partners, Out Of Foster Foundation identifies potential candidates as they near their 18th birthday.

Approximately 300 young men and women exit the system every year, many of whom are homeless or living in dire, dangerous or unstable circumstances.

STEP 2.

Once these candidates are identified, Citrus Family Care Network and OOFF then manage a meticulous applicant selection process, for which candidates must meet or exceed:

- EXCALIBUR's pre-requisites, including but not limited to:
 - age (18 23 years old);
 - enrollment in college, certificate studies or vocational training; and
 - academic performance, personal conduct, volunteer work.

It is important to note that OOFF, through its EXCALIBUR Project program, is an EQUAL OPPORTUNITY GRANTOR and does not discriminate based on gender, race/ethnicity, origin, religion, or any other status.

Potential candidates and recipients are selected by need as well as by the aforementioned qualifications and requirements.

STEP 3.

Approved candidates are matched with available living quarters

In South Florida, approximately 300 young men and women "age-out" of the foster care system every year upon turning 18, leaving them homeless or living in dire, unstable circumstances and with little or no support system. in housing communities around South Florida. Priority is given to locations that facilitate access to/from the recipient's university, college or vocational school campus and job site.

STEP 4.

Approved candidates, named EXCALIBUR Project[®] SCHOLARS, are paired with funding from OOFF benefactors *like you*, whose donations will subsidize their rent for 12 months.

STEP 5.

OOFF and Citrus Family Care Network jointly oversee the former foster youth's performance as he/she participates in the EXCALIBUR Project[®], ensuring that all standards and requirements are upheld.

STEP 6.

Out Of Foster Foundation now offers two ways for you and/or your organization to provide

ONE FULL YEAR OF HOUSING

to one of our program recipients:

EXCALIBUR PROJECT BENEFACTOR With Gala Table | \$8,500 In addition to the satisfaction of knowing you are helping our young adults build a brighter future, your contribution also garners the following benefits:

- Regular updates of your protégé —i.e: advances in his/her studies/training and opportunities to meet and interact.
- Exclusive invitation to OOFF's Annual "Meet & Greet" event ahead of the Gala
- Participation in OOFF's annual Gala with:
 - Party of ten (10)
 - Recognition on all 2024 GALA activities and promotional material
 - Special positioning of logo on video presentation throughout the event
 - Live recognition during the presentation
 - Special positioning of full-color logo on

- 1. EVENTBRITE page
- 2. OOFF website
- 3. Sponsors' acknowledgements in event program
- 4. Half-page, color ad in event program
- 5. Logo featured in all social media/promotional posts pre- and post event
- Special EXCALIBUR spotlight section on OOFF website

EXCALIBUR PROJECT BENEFACTOR No Gala Table | \$6,500

You receive the same benefits, including promotional exposure, as with the full package, but with NO TABLE OF TEN at the Gala.

Please consider adding Out Of Foster Foundation's EXCALIBUR Project to your annual charitable donations plan.



As a parent, grandparent or relative of a young man or woman on the road to adulthood, you know what they need to create a bright future for themselves. And as a VIP in South Florida's vibrant business community, you're in a unique position to lend a helping hand.

Out Of Foster Foundation (OOFF) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization focused on assisting South Florida's disadvantaged youths as they turn 18 years old and emerge from the foster care system. Our team's mission is driven by the belief that every human being deserves the opportunity to develop to his or her full potential.



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