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Greetings Friend of Charleston Promise Neighborhood!

The New Year has begun, and we are off to a great start. Thanks to our generous supporters, we exceeded our 2016 year-end challenge goal of \$50,000, and raised an additional \$64,243 in matching funds, which helps fund innovative programming for 1,800+ students for academic assistance, afterschool enrichment, additional teachers in the classroom, access to on-site quality healthcare, and so much more. What a great way to kick off 2017!



Students show us their smiles at Mary Ford's Show What You Know showcase.

Please note, our next Community Engagement Council meeting is set for this Thursday, February 2nd, 6:00 pm at The Macon Coffeehouse and Cafe, 2021 Reynolds Ave in North Charleston. Contact Radia Heyward for more details, and please join us if you can!

Second Teacher in Classroom Making a Positive Difference at Sanders-Clyde



This school year, thanks to our generous supporters, CPN provided funding for Sanders-Clyde to add a second teacher in three 1st grade classrooms. At the beginning of the school year, Sanders-Clyde principal Judy Beard identified this as a critical need, when three 1st grade teachers reported a cumulative 32 office referrals during the first quarter, causing disruptions to student learning. We are excited to report that since the additional teachers have been in the classrooms, the disruptions have decreased from 32 to just 9 during the 2nd

quarter, a 72% decrease in referrals. Way to go Sanders-Clyde, Ms. Beard, and the entire first grade team!

Students celebrated the end of the first semester with the first Show What You Know (SWYK) showcases of the school year at Sanders-Clyde and Mary Ford! Parents, teachers, and principals gathered to see student displays, performances, and exhibitions of CPN Afterschool Expanded Learning Time enrichment programs. Both events were terrific, and CPN is immensely grateful to our wonderful site coordinators for all they do to help make SWYK showcases possible!

Click here to read more!



CPN students demonstrate hiphop, tap, and ballet movements in their SWYK performance with DancED.

CPN Helps Champion Racial Equity Institute in Charleston



Charleston Promise Neighborhood (CPN), Coastal Community Foundation (CCF), Metanoia, Teach for America (TFA), Tri-County Cradle to Career (TCCC), The Sophia Institute, and the YWCA, co-hosted the Racial Equity Institute Training on January 13 & 14, 2017 at the College of Charleston North Campus. In attendance were ~40 nonprofit, for-profit (hospitals, corporations, etc.), religious, community, and educational leaders, who participated in conversations on understanding disparities and disproportionality in order to create racially equitable organizations and systems. Our collective hope is that this first training will serve as a

catalyst for similar conversations/efforts in our community. For more information on the Racial Equity Institute please visit <u>racialequityinstitute.org</u>.

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