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GENTLEMEN BY CHOICE NEWSLETTER

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OUR MISSION

The mission of Gentlemen By Choice is to develop tomorrow's leaders today.

OUR VISION

Our vision is simple: To educate, equip, and empower.

NON-PROFIT

Gentlemen By Choice Community Development Corporation is registered with the Secretary of State and qualified by Internal Revenue Service as 501 (c) (3). Your charitable contribution to Gentlemen By Choice is tax deductible.



Benefits of Mentoring

Mentoring has a vast array of benefits that impact both the mentee as well as the mentor. The encounter can be life changing for both parties. One of the most important factors about mentoring is ensuring a positive relationship is established between mentor and mentee. Mentoring provides an opportunity to engage with another person for encouragement and support with a goal of helping them realize their inner potential. Mentoring can provide guidance to those who lack it and/or who are looking for it. The most valuable resource one can give of themselves is the precious gift of time. Many mentees are looking for someone to spend quality time with them. Are you the one who can change a person's life through mentoring?



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Summer Enrichment Academy

June 3rd - June 28th Gentlemen By Choice held a Summer Enrichment Academy (SEA) to combat what is known as "summer loss".

- Students loose about two months of math computation skills over summer.
- Achievement gap increases between low income and middle/ high income during summer.
- Research shows teacher typically spend 4 to 6 weeks re-teaching material students have forgotten over the summer.
- 81% of students increased in multiplication facts.

The purpose of the SEA is to provide opportunities for students to have a fun and intentional space for learning. SEA applies real world application to reading, writing, and math. The students engage in many hands on activities igniting their brilliance. Field trips are an integral part because of the importance it plays in exposure.

Why is GBC needed?

Gentlemen By Choice Community Development Corporation (GBC) was established as a non-profit in 2015. The call to mentorship started for us when we saw a need in our youth boys of color having a difficult time in navigating school settings. GBC greatly believed so much that it was our calling to help, and thereby adopted Frederick Douglass' quote "It is easier to build strong children than repair broken men". Our goal has been to invest quality time by modeling and instructing what L.I.F.E. skills looked like. Leadership, Image, Financial awareness, and Etiquette training; which are all paramount to our core beliefs. Teaching these skills will avail to our young boys the tools needed to succeed in their everyday encounters.

GBC's Youth Personal Development and Leadership Program tackles the social and emotional needs which allows the young men to find their voice and use it to speak. It builds up their self-confidence to speak up on issues that matter to them. They are given opportunities to share their feelings amongst their peers in an open and safe space which they appreciate because a strong bond is formed. We believe that they will become what they are surrounded by, so another important aspect to GBC is exposing them to professionals in an array of careers and different venues around the city of Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, and Henderson. We pride ourselves on building long lasting relationships with our young leaders by being dedicated and consistent encouragers in their lives.

