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Happy Summer!

THIS YEAR PRESENTED MANY CHALLENGES FOR QUIET STORM FOUNDATION'S COMMUNITY. DESPITE THESE CHALLENGES, QUIET STORM WAS ABLE TO CONTINUE CONSISTENTLY SERVING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH SAFE, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING THAT WAS INCLUSIVE TO ALL STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PART IN ENSURING OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO THRIVE! PLEASE CONTINUE READING TO SEE THE IMPACT OF QUIET STORM FOUNDATION.

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FROM THE DESK OF INTERN CHRISTINA CERRONE



As a Social Work major at UNLV, I began this year looking for more local organizations to get involved with here in Las Vegas, hoping to become more connected with different parts of our community.

Before getting involved with Quiet Storm Foundation, I had already been fortunate enough to see some of the amazing opportunities this organization was providing for families in the community, as my mom had already spent a lot of time volunteering. Their mission truly inspired me, and it seemed like the perfect time to get involved – so for one of my first times volunteering, I came to help out at one of the Out of School programs at Doolittle. After seeing the unwavering dedication and passion that Quiet Storm has for our community's youth, I instantly knew that I, too, wanted to get more involved with this organization. Being able to witness the direct impact that Quiet Storm has on the community through my work on the Black History Essay Committee and also as an Intern at the office has been an absolute blessing, and I feel so grateful that I am now able to be a part of this family.

Now that I am preparing to enter my senior year in the Bachelors of Social Work Program, I feel that my internship with Quiet Storm will be quite integral in my future path, as it has allowed me to help empower our community's youth while also enhancing their environments through an abundance of communal opportunities – two ideas on which social work itself is built upon.

By continuing to work with Quiet Storm Foundation, I will undoubtedly continue to grow and learn, while also forging lifelong connections with my fellow community members

12TH ANNUAL C.J. WATSON BLACK HISTORY STUDENT RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

In celebration of our CJ Watson Black History Student Essay winners, Quiet Storm Foundation hosted the 12th Annual C.J. Watson Black History Student Essay Luncheon. The foundation worked closely with C.J. to make this event a reality for many students from diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds. This year's essays focused on cultural diversity and how ideals of cultural diversity can be spread throughout the community. Thank you to ward 5 city councilman Cedric Crear, Clark county District D commissioner William McCurdy and many community partners who attended the event. We SALUTE THE 2021 STUDENT ESSAY WINNERS!

KERMIT R. BOOKER SR. INNOVATIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Leah Perez Hernandez
 WILBUR & THERESA FAISS MIDDLE SCHOOL - Mya Wiley
 WENDELL WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Aaliyah Newsome
 ERNEST A. BECKER SR. MIDDLE SCHOOL - Arrionna Wright
 R.O. GIBSON LEADERSHIP ACADEMY - Sydney Sanchez
 WEST PREPARATORY ACADEMY - Esmeralda Gutierrez-Henriquez



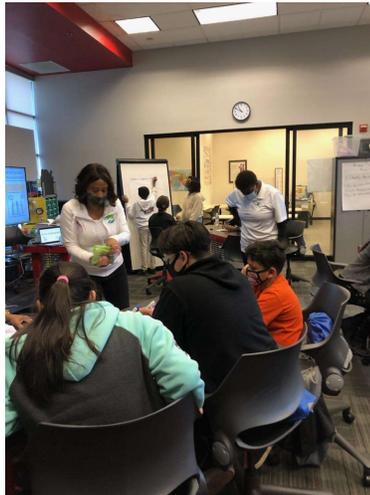
 <p>WELCOME Aiyson Henderson Quiet Storm Foundation Advisory Board Chairman</p> <p>NEGRO NATIONAL ANTHEM A.J. Green</p> <p>INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAM EMCEE Elizabeth Adler Quiet Storm Foundation Education Coordinator</p> <p>PROGRAM EMCEE Gaylynn Strawberry Quiet Storm Foundation Member</p> <p>SONG A.J. Green</p> <p>INVOCATION Minister Charles Watson</p> <p>LUNCH BUFFET</p> <p>SOLO 'TM HERE' A.J. Green</p> <p>INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER Quincy Branch Quiet Storm Foundation Board Member</p> <p>GUEST SPEAKER Cedric Crear City of Las Vegas Ward 5 Councilman</p>	 <p>SCHOOLS REPRESENTED Charles I. West Preparatory Institute Monica Lang, Principal Student Winner - Esmeralda Gutierrez-Henriquez</p> <p>Ernest Becker Sr. Middle School Amy Herring Smith, Principal Student Winner - Arrionna Wright</p> <p>Kermit R. Booker Sr. Empowerment Elementary School Jose Silva, Principal Student Winner - Leah Perez Hernandez</p> <p>R.O. Gibson Leadership Academy Jennifer Jaeger, Principal Student Winner - Sydney Sanchez</p> <p>Wendell P. Williams Elementary School Cynthia Ireland, Principal Student Winner - Aaliyah Newsome</p> <p>Wilbur & Theresa Faiss Middle School Roger West, Principal Student Winner - Mya Wiley</p> <p>AWARDS PRESENTATION C.J. Watson Quiet Storm Foundation Co-Founder</p> <p>Damian Frias Quiet Storm Foundation Board Member</p> <p>LauraLee Rothman Quiet Storm Foundation Board Member</p> <p>CLOSING REMARKS Cathy Watson Quiet Storm Foundation, Executive Chairman/Co-Founder</p>	 <p><i>Board of County Commissioners</i> CLARK COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER 800 S. LINCOLN CENTER BLVD. SUITE 2000 LAS VEGAS, NV 89101 (702) 495-2000 FAX: (702) 385-2001</p> <p>April 12 2021</p> <p>C.J. Watson Quiet Storm Foundation 719 South 8th Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89101</p> <p>It is my distinct honor to send a warm welcome to the Quiet Storm Foundation, family members and students, as you safely gather for the Annual Black History Student Recognition Luncheon, which will take place at the Red Rock Hotel and Casino on April 30, 2021, in Las Vegas, Nevada.</p> <p>The Quiet Storm Foundation, founded in 2009, is a service model nonprofit organization that provides opportunities for community partners to get involved through volunteer service and donations. The Quiet Storm Foundation provides essential tutoring for our youth, at the moment through distance learning, succeeding in closing the academic gap in our most at-risk communities. The Foundation has a particular focus on improving the physical and mental health of our youth, teaching them about the importance of good nutrition. The Foundation also provides a space and program for children to do what they do best - play! - and stay healthy in the process.</p> <p>The Quiet Storm Foundation's annual Black History Student Essay Contest & Luncheon offers our talented local youth the opportunity to exhibit their writing and oratory skills to leaders, friends, and family in our community. The Foundation's dedicated efforts to encourage and strengthen the knowledge of our local youth is admirable and honorable.</p> <p>On behalf of the Clark County, Nevada Board of Commissioners, we send our sincere well wishes for a successful recognition luncheon and a continued bright future in our community.</p> <p>Sincerely,  William McCurdy II Clark County Commissioner</p>
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OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAM

Thank you to our students, our parents, and our community partners for making this another successful year for Quiet Storm's Out of School programming! Quiet Storm was able to continue offering students safe programming outdoors at Kianga Isoke Palacio Park and at the West Las Vegas Children's Library.

Students participated in health and wellness training such as going through obstacle courses, jump roping, and other fitness activities with Gaylynn Strawberry. Students were also able to take part in social emotional training and discuss their strengths and weaknesses as well as character development with Lori Smith. A recent addition to our programming included an arts and crafts session organized by Natasha Amiri and a new instructor, Gladys Saucedo, for our Nutrition session.

Thank you to all of our students and parents who were able to join us for this year's programming and we look forward to seeing you next August!



+ Link to video (please insert directly into publication): <https://www.facebook.com/771925253/posts/10164932770280254/>

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL STRENGTH TRAINING, YOUTH SUCCESS COACHING

With the challenges presented by COVID-19 to students within our community, Quiet Storm Foundation was proud to hold free, individual Youth Success Coaching sessions with Ms. Lori Smith to ensure our students were healthy both physically and mentally. The QSF is vital in offering life coaching services to students as they learn the social - emotional skills needed during these stressful times.

Youth Success Coaching schedules students outside of the regular group coaching sessions that occur on Saturdays at the Out of School Sessions to allow for individualized attention for each of the participating students.



into publication): <https://fb.watch/6cOg1wvU9A>

+ Link to video (please insert directly

CALLING ALL EDUCATORS

Recognizing the increasing need for academic assistance in our community, Quiet Storm Foundation successfully developed and implemented a Free Virtual Tutoring Program, personalized to every student's needs and under the supervision of CCSD teachers.

Quiet Storm will be continuing this program in the Fall and help is needed. Teachers will be compensated at \$50/hour, 3 hours/week. See flyer below for details.



CALLING ALL EDUCATORS!!!

Quiet Storm Foundation is currently looking for 3 teachers to facilitate our Reach Out Virtual Online Tutoring Program!

- Starting September 7th, sessions will be held every Tuesday - Thursday after school
 - Help in all major subjects will be offered during sessions
 - Grades 4-8 operate from 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
 - Grades 9-12 operate from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
- **ALL TEACHERS WILL BE COMPENSATED FOR THEIR TIME THROUGH SALARY**
- If interested, please contact Mrs. Cathy Watson through her email:
cathy@quietstormfoundation.org

COMMUNITY UPDATE, CEREMONY FOR UNVEILING OF ‘MARY WATSON WAY’

Link to video (please insert directly into publication):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XSwYWYBVBVkhzzui_RPfdU7n2_4_KJNS/view?usp=sharing

Press Release:

Nashville -- Metro and State officials along with family and friends of the late Mary Louise Watson gathered Friday, May 7, 2021 for the unveiling of Mary Watson Way.

In 1957 Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Watson Sr, along with 11 other families, desegregated six all white schools in Nashville. Despite threats of violence from her white neighbors, The Watson’s risked it all to provide the best education for their daughter Barbara Jean. After the death of her husband Mary Louise Watson remained committed to their dream to "give their children a good chance to succeed, the same as everybody else.”

In December 2020 the Metro Council recognized her bravery, determination and contribution to Civil Rights in Nashville and approved an ordinance providing the honorary street name designation of “Mary Watson Way” for a portion of 12th Ave. N. Mrs. Watson died in December 2018 at the age 99.

The ceremony was held at noon Friday, May 7, 2021 at the corner of 12th Avenue North and Clay Street. We introduce to you the late Mary Louise Watson:



PAINT AND SIP SERIES

To help raise funds for Quiet Storm Foundation youth programming, Quiet Storm Foundation hosted a Paint and Sip Fundraising event in May! The event featured wine, instructor-led painting with supplies, raffles, and food!

Thank you to the artist Melisa Pacheco of Artistic Touch Gallery for leading our classes, Heiko Katines for allowing us to use Art 2 Art District for our painting space. We will be holding another Paint and Sip Event in September and have included a Save the Date for you below!



**MAY SHOWERS BRING SPRING FLOWERS
PAINT & SIP EVENT**

Celebrate the spring season with Quiet Storm Foundation by helping to raise funds for a good cause! The event will feature wine, instructor-led painting with supplies, raffles, and food!

100% OF ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS QUIET STORM FOUNDATION YOUTH PROGRAMMING
Masks are required and social distancing will be observed.

The event will feature an instagram giveaway from Dab Daddy worth \$200!

DAB DADDY Check out the QSF instagram for details!

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd
6 p.m.
ART 2 ART DISTRICT
400 S. Rampart Blvd, Suite 120
Las Vegas, 89145
Single entry \$45.00



Tickets Available online:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/qsf-paint-and-sip-may-showers-bring-spring-flowers-tickets-151890928857>

For more information visit quietstormfoundation.org

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

If you are interested in making a direct impact on our community and volunteering with Quiet Storm Foundation, please fill out this form and a QSF representative will reach out to you about volunteer opportunities: <https://forms.gle/xwFwARNELtSYKq9A9>

DONATION

Link to donate: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/qsf>



UPCOMING EVENT



FUTURE PROGRAMS/EVENTS



HEALTH • EDUCATION • LEADERSHIP

FREE OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAM

WEST PREPARATORY GYMNASIUM 2050 SAPHIRE STONE AVENUE LAS VEGAS, NV 89106
FOR STUDENTS 4TH THROUGH 8TH GRADE
BI WEEKLY SATURDAYS EACH MONTH

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE HEALTHY SNACKS, STRUCTURED FITNESS TRAINING COMPONENTS, STEM CURRICULUM, SOCIAL EMOTIONAL STRENGTH TRAINING, AND NUTRITIONAL EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS WITH CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS.

OUT OF SCHOOL DATES 2021-22
PROGRAM TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
(FIELD TRIP DAYS MAY VARY)

AUGUST 21, 2021	DECEMBER 4, 2021	MARCH 5, 2022
SEPTEMBER 4, 2021	DECEMBER 18, 2021 <i>(Winter Break Begins)</i>	MARCH 19, 2022
SEPTEMBER 18, 2021	JANUARY 8, 2022	APRIL 2, 2022
OCTOBER 2, 2021	JANUARY 22, 2022	APRIL 23, 2022
OCTOBER 16, 2021	FEBRUARY 12, 2022	MAY 7, 2022
NOVEMBER 6, 2021	FEBRUARY 26, 2022	MAY 21, 2022
NOVEMBER 20, 2021		

DOES YOUR STUDENT NEED EXTRA HELP WITH SCHOOL?

QUIET STORM FOUNDATION WILL BE PROVIDING FREE VIRTUAL TUTORING WITH CERTIFIED TEACHERS FOR STUDENTS GRADE 4TH-8TH. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT CATHY@QUIETSTORMFOUNDATION.ORG.

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For more information visit us:
quietstormfoundation.org

FACE COVERINGS REQUIRED

MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IF YOU'VE HAD SYMPTOMS OR DIAGNOSED OR EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 IN THE PAST 14 DAYS. TEMPERATURE WILL BE CHECKED PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY QUIET STORM FOUNDATION.

ANNUAL EVENT - HOOPS FOR HOPE BASKETBALL CAMP AND PARENT WORKSHOP

Quiet Storm Foundation is proud to present the 18th Annual Hoops for Hope Basketball Camp and Parent Workshop at Doolittle Community Center! The FREE event will be held July 15th - 17th from 9am - 1pm and will feature unique opportunities including basketball skills training, the opportunity to interact with local athletes and former NBA players, and a parent workshop on the 3rd day.

Registration is open NOW and we encourage you to sign-up as soon as possible. Interested participants can register at: <https://www.quietstormfoundation.org/hoops-for-hope-2021/>

We will be needing volunteers for the 3-day event as well and will also require each volunteer to attend a training session, prior to the event, to ensure clarification of roles and responsibilities. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out this form by June 15th: <https://forms.gle/QTbvCjefCaHSBSCh7>



QUIET STORM FOUNDATION
A WHIRLWIND OF OPPORTUNITIES

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CITY OF LAS VEGAS
WARD 5 CITY COUNCILMAN

CJ WATSON
CO - FOUNDER
QUIET STORM FOUNDATION

18TH ANNUAL
HOOPS FOR HOPE
BASKETBALL CAMP AND PARENT WORKSHOP

JULY 15-17 | 9AM - 1PM
PARENT WORKSHOP JULY 17 AT 10AM
DOOLITTLE COMMUNITY CENTER (1950 N. J STREET, LAS VEGAS NV 89106)

FREE EVENT
REGISTRATION REQUIRED 4TH-8TH GRADE, MUST COMPLETE 4TH GRADE
REGISTRATION IS OPEN MAY 15TH AND WILL CLOSE WHEN ALL SPOTS ARE FILLED

This camp is designed to develop and empower youth to eat healthy and exercise daily.
Registered campers will learn and participate in building their fundamental skills in basketball.
Each camper will receive a Quiet Storm backpack, t-shirt, sports bottle, and sponsor items.

Highlights: Former NBA Point Guard CJ Watson, Retired NBA Players, Professional International Players, Community Leaders, Dietitians, Sports Trainers, WNBA Players, College/High School Players, and Coaches

REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT QUIETSTORMFOUNDATION.ORG
* click on the drop down button Hoops for Hope registration to register for camp
All volunteers will need to complete the orientation to be approved to work the camp

Questions: email cathy@quietstormfoundation.org or call 702-778-3315

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