

2007 Hobe Sound Community Chest campaign raises more than \$1 million

For the first time, the Hobe Sound Community Chest 2007 annual fund drive raised more than \$1 million. As a result of the increase in funds, the agency was able to increase its grants to 42 Hobe Sound social-services providers by 20 percent.

In a new initiative last year, Hobe Sound Community Chest joined with the Hobe Sound Banner Lake community leaders, Children's Services Council and the Martin County Parks and Recreation Department to create an after-school and summer program for children at the Banner Lake Civic Center.

The program is called B.L.A.S.T. (Banner Lake After School Time).

Seventy children participate in the program, which consists of structured learning and leisure activities.

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is starting its 2008 fundraising campaign this month. Said President Harry G. Charlston: "As we head into a cooling economy, we know that the needs of our agencies will increase. We once again are calling on the generosity of our donors to help the Hobe Sound Community Chest continue its mission of enhancing the quality of life for all Hobe Sound residents."

For more than 50 years, Hobe Sound Community Chest has assisted agencies that provide services to residents in need in Hobe Sound.

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