

# SON OF A SAINT

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **WHEN WAS THE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED?**

2011

### **WHO FOUNDED THE ORGANIZATION?**

Bivian 'Sonny' Lee III

### **HOW MANY YOUTH DO YOU CURRENTLY SERVE?**

We serve a total of nearly 350 youth, including 200+ active mentees and 50 Alumni.

### **HOW MANY STAFF MEMBERS ARE ON THE TEAM?**

Approximately 30 full-time staff members and some supporting part-time staff members.

### **WHAT ARE THE STAFF POSITIONS AT SON OF A SAINT THAT DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE MENTEES?**

Director of Programs, Case Managers, Mental Health Specialists, Success Coaches, Programs Assistant, Education & Career Manager, Recreation Coordinators, Drivers, Logistics Coordinator, Academic Interventionist.

### **WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS OR QUALIFICATIONS FOR A SON TO JOIN THE PROGRAM?**

Age 10-12, Father is no longer in their life due to death, long-term incarceration (15 or more years left to serve), deportation, or has been adopted by a single mother.

### **WHAT IS THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA THAT YOU SERVE?**

Greater New Orleans area. This includes 85 different schools and covers 25 different zip codes.

### **WHAT SERVICES DO MENTEES RECEIVE?**

Mentorship, case management, access to mental health services, academic support, nutrition education, recreation and sports activities, transportation, travel opportunities, job shadowing and career exploration, STEM.

### **WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR MENTORS?**

Time commitments may vary, depending on the level of involvement. Typically, the time commitment for mentors is 4+ hours per month.

### **WHAT TYPES OF MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE?**

One-on-one mentoring, team or group mentoring, academic mentoring, career mentoring.

### **WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR VOLUNTEERS?**

The time commitment for volunteers varies based on the event and their availability.

### **WHAT TYPES OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE?**

Outreach and event volunteering, transportation volunteering, education volunteering, fundraising/development volunteering, activity/project volunteering.

### **WHAT IS SON OF A SAINT'S ANNUAL BUDGET?**

Son of a Saint's financial information is available via our annual report and on our website.

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### **IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED FOR MENTEES TO ATTEND EVENTS/ACTIVITIES?**

Yes, we have a logistics team.

### **WHAT DOES EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT LOOK LIKE AT SON OF A SAINT?**

We provide 1:1 tutoring, study hall, and an education/career manager and two success coaches who provide academic support and assists with college track and career goals.

### **HOW MANY BOARD MEMBERS DOES SON OF A SAINT HAVE?**

17

### **DOES SON OF A SAINT PLAN TO EXPAND TO OTHER CITIES OUTSIDE OF NEW ORLEANS?**

Our focus is expanding within New Orleans.

### **DOES SON OF A SAINT PROVIDE SUPPORT TO YOUNG GIRLS IN NEW ORLEANS?**

We do, but only through our educational scholarship program.

### **WHAT DOES SUPPORT LOOK LIKE FOR MOTHERS/GUARDIANS AT SON OF A SAINT?**

We assist mothers/guardians accessing individual counseling through external providers by assisting to cover co-pays to reduce barriers to mental health access. We provide this same support with accessing family counseling with outside providers. We have partnered with external providers to facilitate counseling groups to moms/guardians.

Moms/guardians have access to individual nutrition counseling with our staff nutrition educator.

We provide some social event opportunities for community-building among moms/guardians.

### **DOES SON OF A SAINT COLLABORATE/PARTNER WITH OTHER NONPROFITS?**

Yes, we collaborate/partner with several nonprofit organizations throughout Greater New Orleans.

### **DOES SON OF A SAINT OFFER INTERNSHIPS?**

Yes, we regularly offer semester-based internships in several departments. Check our website for current offerings.

### **DOES SON OF A SAINT OFFER TRANSPORTATION TO-AND-FROM ACTIVITIES/EVENTS?**

Yes, Son of a Saint provides transportation on a needs basis for our mentees.

### **ONCE IN THE PROGRAM, WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MENTEES TO REMAIN ACTIVE?**

Mentees are expected to participate in at least 2 activities each month. There are about 20 events each month for them to attend.

### **WHAT KIND OF ACTIVITIES/EVENTS DOES SON OF A SAINT PROVIDE FOR THEIR MENTEES?**

Son of a Saint offers a wide range of recreational activities for our mentees, ranging from sports to arts to nutrition etc.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDER:**

If you are unsure how to answer a question, please state that you will get an official answer from the Son of a Saint leadership team, or direct the inquiry to the appropriate staff email. **DO NOT GIVE OUT FALSE INFORMATION.**

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