



# 2023 Bristol Youth and Prevention Leaders Awards

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<b>Youth/Youth Group Name:</b>	Haley Laforge
<b>Age or Grade Range (for groups):</b>	10
<b>Resident Parent/Guardian Name:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> Stephanie <b>Last Name:</b> Laforge
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<b>Full Address</b>	
<b>Categories of Service (select all that apply):</b>	Community
<b>Period of Time:</b>	April 2022-December 2022
<b>Describe special contributions, self-improvement, internal personal growth, academic efforts, and contributions to their school, neighborhoods, and community.</b>	I am honored to write this nomination for Haley Laforge as a 2023 Youth of the Year. I had the privilege of meeting Haley during this year's Holiday program and was blown away by not only her service hours but her passion for the work she does. One of her major service projects included helping with the Holiday Gift Giving Program. Over the course of the spring and summer months Haley ran a farm stand, which included items from her personal garden and items she baked. Hayley used 100% of the proceeds from her farm stand to adopt 8 children for Christmas. She then shopped, wrapped and delivered the items to BPRYCS. In total she spent well over 60 hours working on this project. From planting the vegetables and flower arrangements, to working in the garden, harvesting the product, running the stand and then using all of the proceeds to help

families in need. This is just one project she has worked on. Hayley also has volunteered during the Fishing derby and sold raffle tickets for the American Legion raising over \$2,000. Haley is truly a remarkable young lady who has done so much for our community already, at such a young age.

**Please attach photos of the of the nominee(s) to be featured during the Youth Recognition Awards ceremony in May.**

haley christmas.png

**Group Leader:**

**Phone Number**

**Full Address**

**Email**

**Please provide a list of all group members below:**



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### Bristol YOUTH and PREVENTION LEADERS AWARDS

Awarded by:

Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano, the Department of Parks, Recreation,  
Youth and Community Services and the Bristol Youth Commission

Nominator:

Organization: Kids in the Middle  
Contact Person: Amy Campisano Telephone: 860-884-3459  
Email: amycampisano@bristolkt12.org Fax: 860-584-4833

Nominee:

Youth/Youth Group Name: Shawn's Gonzalez - Miranda  
Age or Grade Range (for groups): 9th Grade BEHS  
Resident Parent/Guardian Name: Jennifer Wergold

(Guardian info, not applicable to groups, Communications will go through coordinators who will notify their groups)

Address: 57 Wooding St. Bristol, CT  
Telephone: 860-318-1238

Other/Custodial Parent: Juan Gonzalez  
Address: 57 Wooding St. Bristol, CT

Categories of Service (Select all that apply):

School       Service Agency       Community

Period of Time: March 1, 2022 - February 28, 2023

**2023**

Individual Youth Leadership Award Nomination

**S. G-M 9TH GRADER**

**BRISTOL EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL**

It is an honor to nominate S.G-M for recognition as an outstanding student who has demonstrated passionate efforts in supporting both his school and city communities. S.G-M is a young man who is genuinely compassionate & kind to others. He leads by example and interacts with his peers in a manner that motivates and encourages them to strive to do better.

I have had the privilege to volunteer beside S. through the Kids in the Middle Program for several years. He has been a true asset to my program through his middle school years and continues to return to serve the community in many capacities during his high school journey. I have had the pleasure of interacting with his family and brother all whom share his desire to do good.

S. is a leader who has touched the lives of many through his volunteer activities. He has participated in community events designed to promote the concept of rising by lifting others, including volunteer service for Bristol Veterans, Special Olympics of CT, Bristol Park & Recreation and many more. For years he has served as a positive role model for the Ed Beardsley Challenger Discovery Program. I contacted the Director, Dee Valerio-Matyka for a character reference and she stated, " he is very dependable, very caring and has a great work ethic." She

expressed that he “displays great patience & understanding” when working with both the youths & adults in the Challenger Basketball & Baseball Programs. S. is a role model in and out of the classroom, as well as on & off the field. He successfully balances academics and sports and manages to save time to give back. According to Sarah Maestre, Geometry Teacher at Bristol Eastern High School, S., “is a valued member of class, who not only works hard everyday, but is willing to work with his group to tackle challenging problems.” She describes S. as, “an exceptionally polite young man, who has a great sense of humor.” Coach Sonstrom at BEHS describes S. as having a “willing attitude” and one who “challenges himself to be a better player, all while exhibiting the characteristics of a great team player.” The Bristol Police Cadet Program is lucky to call S. a Cadet. Officer Erica McNally, Cadet Advisor, said he has made many “positive contributions” and is “very eager to learn”.

It is S’s eagerness to learn and serve that set him apart. He is a true role model for his peers. S. is an inspiration to others and a volunteer that is all heart. I am proud to volunteer beside him & nominate him today for this leadership honor.

SERVICE AGENCY HOURS: 60

COMMUNITY HOURS: 30



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<b>Fax Number</b>	
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<b>Youth/Youth Group Name:</b>	Bristol Police Cadets
<b>Age or Grade Range (for groups):</b>	14-18
<b>Resident Parent/Guardian Name:</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	<b>Street Address:</b> 131 N Main St <b>City:</b> Bristol <b>State:</b> CT <b>Zip:</b> 06010
<b>Phone Number</b>	8605843000
<b>Other/Custodial Parent:</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	
<b>Categories of Service (select all that apply):</b>	Community
<b>Period of Time:</b>	4/15-12/21 (will give complete list of times to Jazz)
<b>Describe special contributions, self-improvement, internal personal growth, academic efforts, and contributions to their school, neighborhoods, and community.</b>	In collaboration with Bristol Police Department, it gives me great pleasure in nominating a group of students who have and continue to go above and beyond for our community. I had the opportunity to work with the Youth Cadets during the Holiday Gift Giving Program and was blown away by each individuals eagerness to help, level of commitment, and enthusiasm for the voluntary assistance they provide. Over the course of the past year, they have volunteered at more than 16 events in our city and continue to faithfully volunteer and lead, despite the loss of two of their mentors. The Bristol Police Department Youth Cadets energy and resilience is contagious, and we are lucky to have them in our city.
<b>Please attach photos of the of the nominee(s) to be featured</b>	

<b>during the Youth Recognition Awards ceremony in May.</b>	police.jpg
<b>Group Leader:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> Nicolas <b>Last Name:</b> Travisano
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<b>Email</b>	NicolasTravisano@bristolct.gov
<b>Please provide a list of all group members below:</b>	Will send list to Jazz.

	B	C	D	E
	First Legal Name:	Last Legal Name:	Date of Birth	What School Do You Attend
6	Gianna	Leone	2/19/2006	Bristol Central Highschool
2	Rita	Gao	11/27/2006	Bristol Eastern
6	Aemun	Burhan	6/12/006	Bristol eastern Highschool
4	Nayarit	Sanchez Ventura	3/2/2005	Bristol Eastern school
8	Giomar	Vigo	10/15/2008	Bristol Estern high school
7	Jade	Gaud	5/2/2006	Bristol Central Highschool
8	Matthew	Harkey	1/7/2006	Bristol Eastern High School
8	Edgar	Puente	12/24/2005	Bristol central highschool
4	Nafila	Puente	7/14/2007	E.C Goodwin technical high school
8	Laianny	Velazquez	3/8/2007	Bristol Eastern
3	Shawn'D	Gonzalez-Miranda	12/25/2007	Bristol Eastern High School
7	Nathaniel	Rivera	6/28/2005	Bristol Central
7	Madison	Santello	10/31/2003	Graduated/Non-Applicable
7	Frank j Warzocha	Warzocha	6/23/2006	BCHS
2	Cindaliz	Negron Garcia	8/31/2006	Bristol eastern high school

## **Aubrey Minkler**

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**From:** Nicolas Travisano  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 5:06 PM  
**To:** Aubrey Minkler  
**Subject:** Cadet Events from 2022

Hey Aubrey

The following are the events the cadets attended in 2022:

4/15 Indian Rock Egg Hunt  
5/14-15 Fishing Derby  
5/30 Memorial Day Parade  
5/21 Barns Nature Center (craft fair)  
7/31 Music on the Farm  
8/2 Neighborhood night out  
8/16-18 CT Swat Challenge  
8/20 Rockwell fest.  
8/24-25 Pencil Hunt  
9/10-11 Polish Fest  
9/16-17 German fest  
9/25- mum parade  
10/12 Green-Hills Haunted House set up  
11/19 Stuff a Cruiser  
12/3 & 12/21 Gift Wrapping stuff-a-cruiser toys

The cadets provide free service for all these events. They carry with them a wide variety of responsibilities. Let me know if you need more info regarding this.

Best  
Nick Travisano



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## 2023 Bristol Youth and Prevention Leaders Awards

The City of Bristol is celebrating its **31st Annual Bristol Youth and Prevention Leaders (B.E.S.T) Awards** on May 10, 2023 at 6:00pm at Muzzy Field. The Mayor, Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services staff, BEST for Bristol Coalition and the Bristol Youth Commission will be hosting a ceremony recognizing Bristol youth who have given **exceptional service** to their community. Nominations will be accepted for any Bristol youth and/or youth group that have made a meaningful contribution to their school, a service agency, and/or the community.

**Youth and Prevention leader award nominees are required to reside within the Bristol community to be eligible for award nomination.**

Nominations must be filled out by an adult who supervised or benefited from the service. Please be sure to fill out the application completely. This is an award of distinction; the description of the contributions made by the youth or youth group must be clear and quantifiable.

### INDIVIDUAL YOUTH NOMINATION:

Youth who have demonstrated outstanding efforts to help others through the use of their thoughtfulness, energy, talents, skills, or personal abilities.

### YOUTH GROUP NOMINATIONS:

Youth groups whose full memberships, collectively, and without compensation, have made significant and meaningful contributions that can be quantified by the number of activities, service projects, as well as, qualify by the effect on the people being served.

### FUTURE PREVENTION LEADER OF THE YEAR:

Recognizes a youth member who demonstrates an exceptional ability to work productively within the community to reduce substance misuse and mental illness. This person shows a willingness to pursue prevention work in the future.

### COALITION MEMBER OF THE YEAR:

The Coalition Member of the Year award celebrates the BEST coalition member who went above and beyond the call of duty. This individual demonstrates passionate, knowledgeable, enthusiastic and hardworking qualities. The member is actively involved with meetings, events and other coalition duties.



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**CRITERION:**

**Hours that have been performed for credit or mandatory service projects will not be counted.**

To be considered, the volunteer service needs to be performed in two of the following three areas:

a) School, b) Service Agency and c) Community.

**The number of volunteer hours from March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023 needs to be quantified.**

**The Commission is looking for a minimum number of hours by the following school age grouping:**

**Elementary School: 25 – 50 hrs.**

**Middle School - 50 - 75 hrs.**

**High School - 75 - 100 hrs.**

**Please note, the minimum number of hours for the Youth Prevention Leader of the Year Awards' varies slightly:**

**Future Prevention Leader of the year:**

**Elementary School: 10 – 15 hrs.**

**Middle School: 15 – 25 hrs.**

**High School: - 25 – 50 hrs.**

**Please carefully document all hours.**

It is important to note that the selections will be made based on exceptional service, above and beyond the call of duty. Please include a summary highlighting their special qualities, talents, skills, and abilities, in addition to the contributions the youth has made to their community.



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## REQUIREMENTS:

The service should be completed from March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023 in order to qualify.

Categories of Service: 1.) School, 2.) Service Agency, and 3.) Community. Please complete each section that applies. Complete the application fully with a description that contains concise details and ***use initials only*** when referring to the nominee(s).

**The deadline for nominations is no later than 4:30 p.m. on March 31, 2023.**

### **Mail your nomination to:**

Parks, Recreation, Youth & Community Services  
Attention: Youth Recognition Awards  
51 High Street  
Bristol, CT 06010

### **Email your nomination to:**

Jazzya Coakley  
[Jazzyacoakley@bristolct.gov](mailto:Jazzyacoakley@bristolct.gov)  
Subject Line: Youth Recognition Awards

Nomination application forms for both an individual Youth and Youth Group are enclosed.

Youth/youth group award recipients will be notified of their selection by April 12, 2023. Recipients will be honored alongside their families at a special ceremony hosted by Mayor Caggiano, the Department of Parks, Recreation, Youth, and Community Services, BEST for Bristol Coalition and the Bristol Youth Commission on May 10, 2023 at 6:00pm at Muzzy Field. Nominators are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For additional information please contact Jazzya Coakley at 1-860-314-4690.



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## **Bristol YOUTH and PREVENTION LEADERS AWARDS**

Awarded by:

Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano, the Department of Parks, Recreation,  
Youth and Community Services and the Bristol Youth Commission

### Nominator:

Organization: Chippens Hill Middle School

Contact Person: Alida Roberts Telephone: 860-584-3881 or 860-276-3391

Email: alidaroberts@bristolct12.org Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee:

Youth/Youth Group Name: CHMS Save Promise Club

Age or Grade Range (for groups): 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade

Resident Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Guardian info, not applicable to groups, Communications will go through coordinators who will notify their groups)

Address: 551 Peacedale St, Bristol, CT 06010

Telephone: 860-584-3881

Other/Custodial Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Categories of Service (Select all that apply):

School       Service Agency       Community

Period of Time: 3/1/2022-2/28/23



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Describe special contributions, self-improvement, internal personal growth, academic efforts, and contributions to their school, neighborhoods, and community. (Please attach additional pages as necessary)

The Chippens Hill Middle School Save Promise Club started during the 21-22 school year. A strong group of then 8<sup>th</sup> graders took on the leadership role of this club and helped shape the club into what it is today. Their ideas and values were passed down to the younger members and they taught them how to run the club this year. Over the past 2 school years, CHMS Save Promise Club has done numerous things to help our school and the community around us. Last Spring, we held an event at school called "Pie a Teacher in the Face". We had teachers volunteer to participate and then held a celebration in the auditorium per grade level where lucky students were chosen for the honors. We sold tickets and raised money to help support our 8<sup>th</sup> grade end of the year activities. We raised enough money to sponsor a few 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and pay for their trip, where they may have not had this opportunity otherwise to attend. The students and staff had a great time; this event brought much laughter and smiles to our school community and was so successful that we will be having our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual pie a teacher in the face this spring. The Save Promise Club also held a toy collection at school for the Connecticut Children's Medical Center. The Chippens Hill Community helped us collect over 200 toys for Connecticut Children's Medical Center. We also sponsored the participation of PJ Day this year for Connecticut Children's Medical Center Cancer Research. Students paid a \$1 to wear their pj's to school. The Save Promise Club raised \$680.46 for cancer research. These are a few of the many things that our club has done over the past year to help our school community and beyond.

Our members meet weekly after school for an hour. As a group we come up with activities within our school to promote kindness, and to make everyone feel part of the community. We run school activities such as door decorating contests to try to bring the Chippens Hill Middle School community together in a positive and supportive way. These students work hard and are wonderful leaders. They exemplify what a leader in the community







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<b>Contact Person:</b>	
<b>Phone Number</b>	
<b>Fax Number</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Youth/Youth Group Name:</b>	InterAct Club
<b>Age or Grade Range (for groups):</b>	17
<b>Resident Parent/Guardian Name:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> Greta <b>Last Name:</b> Tello
<b>Full Address</b>	<b>Street Address:</b> 471 wolcott st <b>City:</b> Bristol <b>State:</b> CT <b>Zip:</b> 06010
<b>Phone Number</b>	860-940-3265
<b>Other/Custodial Parent:</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	
<b>Categories of Service (select all that apply):</b>	School Community
<b>Period of Time:</b>	134 HRS IN TOTAL FOR: -INTERACT CLUB -JV SUMMER/FALL/WINTER BRISTOL HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER -PLYMOUTH AMBULANCE VOLUNTEER CORPS
<b>Describe special contributions, self-improvement, internal personal growth, academic efforts, and contributions to their school, neighborhoods, and community.</b>	I have done community service and I have volunteered countless times and in different areas of Connecticut since I was 13, my Sophomore year I was looking into various clubs that are given to students like me in BCHS, I came across a club called The InterAct Club, I looked at the description and I automatically joined it, it is based of community service and volunteering, through this club I have had amazing experience's, but in 2022 as president of the InterAct Club I experienced the most heartwarming event that will forever be in my heart and in my memories...This event took place on December 2nd, 2022 on our BCHS football field, it was our annual powderpuff football, Make A Wish fundraiser, I did as much as I could to spread the event out to parents, staff, and students, I made

banners and hung them around the school as advertisement for the event, I even posted on bristol talks, and my team of officers and members helped a lot with setting up the decorations and tables at the football field and taking charge of specific stands, as it hit 4:00 I saw many parents and students on the bleachers ready to watch the game and watch our boy cheerleaders, and then and there it hit me that everyone participating and watching the game, has made a donation to the Make A Wish foundation of CT to raise almost 2,000 and that they all are taking part of giving a child with an illness a wish, and by the end of the day everyone had fun, I and my team had a chance to make part of the community of bristol and BCHS grant wishes to the stars of the M.A.W foundation, not only that but it also grew my heart and my growth as a person, the day Charlie (A wish kid) came to talk about her experience with getting her wish granted, her story has really opened up my eyes to how much of an impact our school, the Bristol community, and the InterAct Club has done by raising an event/fundraiser to donate all the money we gained towards M.A.W, each dollar and cent, will help a kid have a meaningful wish that will forever stay in their hearts and souls, and may we all push the children of Bristol to make an impact in our Community! Thank You.

<b>Group Leader:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> Angella <b>Last Name:</b> Avila
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<b>Email</b>	angella.avila1234@gmail.com
<b>Please provide a list of all group members below:</b>	Angella Avila (president) Kelly MONAHAN-DINOIA (supervisor) Adrian Milewski Grace Mazzone Isabel Paolino (VP) Kenneth Whitford (VP) Mia Giantonio Olivia Blanca (VP) Samera Alyosfi  Lance Archibald  Kylee Barnes  Milan Barresi

Kolbi Beers

Carissa Boutot

Jabreea Boxley

Jordan Boysaw

Janelle Brand

Leslie Caivinagua

Jimmy Cantarero

Brittany Cantres Cruz

Viet Cao

Lisette Castillo

Emmanuel Ceron

Madison Corcoran

Angelique DeJesus

Madison Dumas

Madison Field

Kimberly Flores Arsuaga

Emily Gao

Jeslyann Garcia

Michelle Granda Carpio

Molly Greaves

Abigail Hansen

Shanell Haye

Rowan Hennessey

Jessinet Irizarry

Gabriella Jimenez

Amariah Johnson

Jack Jones

Johannie Juarez

Lily Kirk

Samantha Licki

Mackenzie Little

Jenna Lukasiewicz

Aleida Lyon

Angelena Maher-Darden

Angelina Martinez

Annie McCuin

Clover McKinley

Miranda Muscara

Abryanna Nieves

Olivia Norrie

LaBella Olmo

Yadier Ortiz

Rocco Paolino

Alexis Perez

Madison Pflugbeil

Elizabeth Phan

Emily Phan

Trishelle Phillip

Julia Pikiell

Madison Pikiell

Taylor Porrini

Rayiah Reinhard

Adrianna Rivera

Isabella RIVERA

Hailey Rosado Lopez

Miguel Salguero

Katerine Sanchez

Shandell Sanmartin

Isabella Scarola

Kate Schilling

Maja Serwinski

Melissa Silahak

Lorelei Stancavage

Sophia Stark

Mackenzie Starks

Jennifer Sugrue

Emma Tedesco

Victoria Testa

Mya Torres

Ashley Totten

Ysanne Turtem

Amber VanAlstyne

Nikolas VanBeveren

Maura Waters

Brooke Watson

Trevor Wells

Jacob Wilson

Matthew Wilson

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Youth and Community Services and the Bristol Youth Commission

Nominator:

Organization: Kids in the Middle  
Contact Person: Amy Campisano Telephone: 860-884-3459  
Email: amycampisano@bristolK12.org Fax: 860-584-4833

Nominee:

Youth (Youth Group) Name: Kids in the Middle  
Age or Grade Range (for groups): 6-8<sup>th</sup> Grades  
Resident Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Guardian info, not applicable to groups, Communications will go through coordinators who will notify their groups)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other/Custodial Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Categories of Service (Select all that apply):

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Period of Time: March 1, 2022 — February 28, 2023

**2023**

**YOUTH GROUP LEADERSHIP AWARD NOMINATION**

**KIDS IN THE MIDDLE**

CHIPPENS HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
WEST BRISTOL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
BRISTOL EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

It is with great pleasure and honor that I nominate the **Kids in the Middle Program (K.I.M.)** for Youth Service Recognition. Kids in the Middle Students from Chippens Hill Middle School, West Bristol School & an Alumni Assistant from Bristol Eastern High School have demonstrated outstanding efforts in providing support to both their schools & Bristol Community. Our students are a true testament to the power of kindness. These students are an inspiration to other students and role models for the Bristol Community as a whole.

Our Kids in the Middle Students are excited to be back in person in the community after our stalled program throughout the pandemic. Now, as many restrictions have been lifted, we are back in action and K.I.M. Students have participated in a variety of community activities designed to promote the concept of rising by lifting others. During the time frame of March 2022 - February 2023, Kids in the Middle has assisted with numerous community events with the Bristol Public Library, Bristol Park & Recreation, Bristol Veterans Council, Bristol Police Department, Ed Beardsley Challengers Program, Ingraham Manor, Countryside Manor,

Giamatti Little League & the United Way of West Central Connecticut.

Our program was humbled to spend an evening with Chief Gould and other men & women in blue. Kids in the Middle hosted a "Home-baked Goods for Heroes" night, where approximately 40 students & their families were welcomed into the police department with baked goods for the force. Our program presented the Chief with a framed aerial photo of the city illuminated in blue lights. Several students from West Bristol School shared a message of hope for healing.

Countryside Manor and the residents it houses, hold a special place in the lives of many KIM Students. We have been thrilled to reconnect in person and have shared bingo & crafts nights together in the recreation room again. The smiles and warmth of those nights are special. Relationships have been developed between students & residents that bring joy to both. Over the past year, K.I.M. Students have been active in designing a variety of crafts to be displayed within the resident's rooms and upon their doors. Student's utilized their art skills & creativity to make handcrafted seasonal cards, which were constructed during various in school KIM Pop-Up Workshops. Most recently, our students designed beautiful Valentine's Day cards to spread the love throughout Countryside Manor. This year we have expanded our services to Ingraham Manor and are pleased to be making new relationships with the residents there.

We are always excited to volunteer at the Bristol Park & Recreations' Winter Wonderland Event at Rockwell Park. During

this spectacular event our students spread holiday cheer, as they served hot cocoa, assisted at cookie decorating & craft stations, dressed in costumes & took on the role of Santa Elves.

Several of our KIM Students had the opportunity to participate in the Challengers Basketball & Baseball Program and assist both students & adults with special needs. They met weekly from April 2022 - June 2022 & September 2022 - December 2022 to serve as a buddy to a "Challenger". It was wonderful to see the relationships develop. Our KIM Students displayed commitment, patience & kindness. We are looking forward to mid April when we will rejoin them again to volunteer for the Challengers Baseball Program.

Several K.I.M. Students, along with their family members participated in our annual flag replacement at West Cemetery. Last year we replaced 1,600 flags in honor & memory of our veterans. What a beautiful day of family engagement.

Our good deeds not only extend to our Bristol Community, they impact our own Bristol School Community. KIM Students often serve in the capacity of guides during conferences & open houses, man fundraising & informational tables and assist administration & myself with a variety of in-house service projects. They are an absolute asset to our school community, as they promote behaviors that encourage positive growth & the desire to be part of something bigger than themselves.

Thank you for the opportunity to nominate our program. The Kids in the Middle Program provides our youth with an opportunity to

connect with peers, while making a difference volunteering throughout the Bristol Community and within their own school community. I am inspired by my K.I.M. students everyday and so proud of their motivation to be the good in the world. Despite the challenges they have faced, they remained constant in their desire to give back. They take pride in their good works and they truly are all "**Volunteers with Heart**". Their positive energy is indeed felt community wide and their warmth is contagious. Kids in the Middle Students stand tall, as the leaders of tomorrow and the hope for our future.

**Kids + Kindness = Kids in the Middle**

## **MARCH 2022 - FEBRUARY 2023**

**SCHOOL HOURS: 32 HOURS**  
**CHIPPENS HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**WEST BRISTOL SCHOOL**

**SERVICE AGENCY HOURS: 22 HOURS**  
**BRISTOL PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**BRISTOL PARK & RECREATION**  
**BRISTOL POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**COMMUNITY HOURS: 81 HOURS**  
**COUNTRYSIDE MANOR**  
**INGRAHAM MANOR**  
**APPETITE FOR READING PROGRAM**  
**ED BEARDSLEY CHALLENGERS PROGRAM**



KIDS IN THE MIDDLE  
2022-2023 - CHIPPENS HILL  
*Active Students*

AVA ALBERT	8 PURPLE
MARIA ALBERT	7 YELLOW
DEVYN BARNES	6 GOLD
ISABELLA BASHAW	7 BLUE
ALIYAH BIGGS	7 BLUE
AVA BLANCHETTE	7 BLUE
MADISYN BRZEZINSKI	7 SILVER
ANDREA CAMERL	7 YELLOW
CARSON CARRIERE	7 SILVER
GIANNA CASSIN	6 GOLD
LILLIAN CLOUTIER	6 SILVER
ALEXIS CURYLO	6 ORANGE
ELLA DAVIS	7 BLUE
ERIC DEAN	7 YELLOW
TRE ENGRAM	6 ORANGE
ALLY FIELDS	6 GOLD
QUINN FLOYD	6 GOLD

CAMRYN FORAN	7 BLUE
JOCILYN FORAN	6 GOLD
FARRAH GRISWOLD	6 GOLD
LANDON HOPKINS	8 RED
ASHTON HULTSLANDER	8 RED
ALANNA JACKSON	6 GOLD
SCARLET KICHAR	6 GOLD
ARIANNA LASORSA	7 YELLOW
AVA LOUKOUMIS	7 SILVER
SERENITY LOPEZ	6 ORANGE
EMMA MACDONALD	7 BLUE
ERIN MATEO	7 SILVER
BRETT MAYNARD	7 BLUE
AMELIA MCELWEE	6 GOLD
NOAH MILLER	6 GOLD
JULIA MORIARTY	7 BLUE
AVA MULLINS	7 BLUE
OLIVIA OBOPILWE	7 SILVER
IJEOMA OKEKE	7 SILVER
AMIE PARKER	7 BLUE
HARPER PATTON	6 GOLD
ELISABETH PERALTA	6 GOLD
ANNA PRATT	7 SILVER
NELIANGELIS RIVERA	7 YELLOW
ROBIN ROTHKUGEL	7 BLUE
YULIYA SAMOYLYUK	6 GOLD

MIA SANCHEZ	7 SILVER
MIA SANFORD	8 YELLOW
MARIAH SERRANO	7 YELLOW
KILEY SIMONE	7 BLUE
ELLA SMITH	7 BLUE
BRAEDEN SMITH	6 GOLD
GABRIELLA STANFORD	7 BLUE
KAELYNNE STANFORD	7 BLUE
KARA STOPKOSKI	6 ORANGE
MIA STOPKOSKI	7 SILVER
HAILEY SWANSON	7 BLUE
SELENA TRAN	7 SILVER
KAYLEE VA	8 PURPLE
SAVANNAH VA	6 GOLD
ROISIN WALSH	7 BLUE
MAYA WOJTOWICZ	6 ORANGE



KIDS IN THE MIDDLE  
2022-2023 - WEST BRISTOL  
*Active Students*

BAILEIGH ADKINS	6TH
ANN MARIE BEAUCHEMIN	8TH
AVERY BROWNING	8TH
KYLA BROWNING	8TH
AIDEN BUDNIK	6TH
MACKENZIE CIECHOSKI	7TH
ISAIAH CORDERO	6TH
MADISYN DAIGLE	6TH
ISABELLA DIMATTEO	7TH
AMAYA DOYLE	6TH
GIANNA FERRUCCI	7TH
SADIE GREAVES	8TH
AVA HANCOCK	6TH
GRETA HENNESSEY	7TH
AYVA HILL	6TH
BAILEY LICKI	7TH
JAVIER MARTINEZ	6TH

LEAH MARTINEZ	7TH
EMERSYN MAZZEI	8TH
MIA MEUCCI	8TH
ISABELLA MICHAUD	7TH
ALEXA MORIN	7TH
KYLIE NASS	6TH
ANASTASIA PAPARELLO	6TH
ANALIA PAULINO	6TH
KAMIL RUTKOWSKI	8TH
JAYDEN SPARKS	6TH
HENLEY THIBODEAU	6TH
ISLA THIBODEAU	7TH
TIFFANY THOMPSON	7TH
LEIANNA VANBEVEREN	7TH
PEYTON VANLEW	7TH



# 2023 Bristol Youth and Prevention Leaders Awards

<b>Organization:</b>	South Side School Community Club
<b>Contact Person:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> David <b>Last Name:</b> Huber
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<b>Youth/Youth Group Name:</b>	South Side School Community Club
<b>Age or Grade Range (for groups):</b>	Grades 4 and 5
<b>Resident Parent/Guardian Name:</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	<b>Street Address:</b> South Side School 21 Tuttle Road <b>City:</b> Bristol <b>State:</b> CT <b>Zip:</b> 06010
<b>Phone Number</b>	860-584-7812
<b>Other/Custodial Parent:</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	
<b>Categories of Service (select all that apply):</b>	School Community
<b>Period of Time:</b>	September 2022- Current
<b>Describe special contributions, self-improvement, internal personal growth, academic efforts, and contributions to their school, neighborhoods, and community.</b>	<p>South Side Community Club is a leadership group for our 4th and 5th graders. The club meets 2-3 times per month under the volunteer leaders: Lisa Galske, Pat Zadrozny, Josephine Marino, Amanda Webster and Nicole Tabak (all school staff).</p> <p>The group planned and participated in the following school and community events:</p> <p>September 2022: Partnering with the Captain Connor Foundation - our Community Club co-hosted a community 'Relay for Life' helping raise over \$1,200 which will be used to support families undergoing Cancer treatment to help defray any medical or travel costs. On this</p>

special night current and former South Side families had the chance to remember Connor who lost his battle with cancer 5 years ago and raise money to support others going through a similar experience.

November 2022: Planning and hosting a Veteran's Day ceremony for our school. The club invited many local veterans to honor their services to our country. The hour long ceremony taught our students about the different branches of the military, recognized any family members who were veterans and integrated patriotic music for the school to enjoy.

December 2022: The community club held a school fundraiser inviting all families to donate to the Bristol Police Officers to support their healing process after losing two officers. The Community then delivered donuts, coffee and \$200 worth of gift cards for coffee to cheer up the officers as they are keeping our city safe during the cold winter months. The Club also visited the Fire Department and Post Office to sing holiday songs and bring donuts and coffee to show our school's appreciation for all they do for the City of Bristol.

February 2023: Staff Appreciation - The Community Club arrived to school extra early to present individually written notes to all school staff and handed out breakfast treats to show their appreciation to our school staff. This was a much welcomed and appreciated gesture by our staff.

March 2023 - Bus Driver and Crossing Guard Appreciation - The Community Club arrived to school extra early to present individually written notes to all SSS bus drivers and crossing guards and handed out breakfast treats to show their appreciation for their efforts in helping our SSS students succeed every day.

May 2023 - In alignment with Earth Day, the Community Club will be sharing information about the importance of recycling and also cleaning our entire campus.

<b>Group Leader:</b>	<b>First Name:</b> Lisa <b>Last Name:</b> Galske
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<b>Please provide a list of all group members below:</b>	25 students in Grades 4 and 5.