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## CFY first program workshop a huge success with over 30 programs attending hosted by Big Storm Brewery.

CFY, Pinellas County's preeminent youth access advocate and funder hosted their first annual program workshop sponsored by Big Storm Brewery on January 31, 2023, where over 30 youth sport and program providers attended to learn more about CFY's expanded geographic support, grant program offerings and ways they may assist with working with the CFY Network of funding partners to further expand funding to open access to all youth regardless of their ability to pay registration fees.

CFY (Clearwater For Youth, Inc.) kicked off 2023 with a budgeted goal of providing \$1,000,000 in grant awards after providing almost \$600,000 in 2022. Attendees learned about CFY Youth Athletic Reimbursement, Youth Sport Equipment Supplement, Competitive Sports Travel Assistance, Youth Arts & Culture Registration Reimbursement and Youth Community Assistance.

These unique grant opportunities and funding amounts are illustrating the expansion of CFY's funding opportunities, formerly exclusively offered to Clearwater organizations but are now offered throughout Pinellas County. CFY looks to support Title One Eligible youth in their chosen athletic passion.

"The CFY Board of Trustees are beyond excited to expand to serve all the youth Of Pinellas County. This workshop strengthens are commitment to engaging as many programs who play such a vital role of providing opportunities for our youth" said CFY Chairman Fred Miller.

CFY's mission is to elevate the youth of Pinellas County through access to athletics and other skill-building programs where children from all backgrounds can learn, play, and grow together. This mission is principally delivered through the Grant Program available to youth organizations within the county making an impact in the lives of children. For more information or to apply for

a CFY grant, or if you would like to become a CFY funding partner please visit our website at <a href="https://www.cfypinellas.org">www.cfypinellas.org</a>