

Bright Futures

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Annual Meeting

September 20, 2015

Check online for updated details!!

**All are welcome to attend
Board of Directors
Nominations and election**

What does BTBT do?

The first question we get as an organization is naturally, what do you guys do? We help the distressed. What does that mean?

Who is distressed? Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today gives back to those who need help due to a variety of circumstances (distressed). Merriam-Webster dictionary defines distressed as "not having enough money, experiencing financial trouble; of, relating to, or experiencing economic decline or difficulty.

All types of people are distressed and distressed at different times in their life. Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today has helped victims/survivors of domestic violence, underprivileged individuals and families, small businesses, high-school students, all who are distressed. Distressed is the middle-class family that just can't afford to send their child to college because they are experiencing economic difficulty.

Distressed can be the person who is financially stable who just got laid off and is looking for a new career. Distressed is a broad concept and Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today determines distressed status on a holistic basis.

What do we do? Brighter Tomorrows Begins Today meets the Client where they are in life. So if the client is a recent survivor of domestic violence, BTBT can help with job searching, career planning, or educational planning. A high school student may need tutoring or helping finding the perfect college for them, we help that student with those educational goals. In essence Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today assist the distressed with their professional and educational goals.

See page 2 on how to become a Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today client, contact, business contact or volunteer.

Annual Report

Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today's Annual Report is out. It can be reviewed at www.brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org.

The Annual Report highlights the events and programming of 2014, shows the public the where the money went, and reviews the goals, events and programming for 2015. Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today is also proud to highlight the individuals and organizations that had a big impact on Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today's success.

Old Skool v. New Skool = Giving Back

On May 19, 2015, Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today was in the GYM! Yes in the gym supporting Caroline County, Virginia alumni giving back to their community. The events was a basketball game between the current Caroline County Boys Varsity team v. The best of the best from past Caroline County Boys Varsity teams. The money raised from admission and concession was all donated back to Caroline High School to the Basketball program. Current students and alumni all attended and showed loved for their community. There was a 3 point contest, food, fun and laughs! And the winner...The Old Skool.



BTBT Clients, Contacts, and Board Members all came out to support this great community event. One of the coordinators is a BTBT Contact and Client.

How to become a part of the Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today Organization? You can be a Client, Contact and Volunteer!! Sign UP

BTBT Client

BTBT Clients are the people BTBT serves. BTBT provides services and programs such as the Higher Education Admission Assistance Program, resume reviews, job searching and more.

To become a client go to brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org and click on the client profile link. Send the Client Profile to P.O. Box 62, Bumpass, VA 23024

BTBT Contact

BTBT Contacts are people who assist BTBT Clients. Some ways include mentoring, reviewing documents, tutoring, and more.

To become a Contact go to brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org and click on the client profile link. Send the Client Profile to P.O. Box 62, Bumpass, VA 23024

BTBT Volunteer

BTBT Volunteers assist BTBT with events, fundraisers and other projects.

To become a volunteer go to brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org and click on the client profile link. Indicate on the profile that you want to be a volunteer. Send the Client Profile to P.O. Box 62, Bumpass, VA 23024

Events, News, and Programming

- * Macy's Shop for a Cause Fundraiser—Now until August 29th, 2015
- * Annual Meeting - September 20, 2015
- * 2015 Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today Scholarship



BTBT participates in Macy's Shop for a Cause

Since June of 2015, Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today has been participating in Macy's Shop for a Cause! Macy's Shop for a Cause program gives non-profit organization's the chance to make money by giving supporters 25% off in Macy's stores Nationwide. Supporters buy a shopping pass from the non-profit for \$5.00 and the full amount goes to the non-profit and the supporter gets a day of incredible savings.

This year's savings include: 30% off on select regular, sale and clearance merchandise; 25% off on select designer apparel collection for him & her, designer handbags, impulse, men's shoes, Wacaol, Tumi, Wustoff, Henkels, Kate Spade home and All Clad; 10% off on furniture, mattresses, rugs and electrics/electronics. Take advantage of these sales on **August 29, 2015**

Contact Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today to buy your Savings pass! Email us at btbt@brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org, being sold by Board Members and lisha Crichlow at the salon (ask for lisha at 804-649-8922).



Meet Our Board Members—Hubert J.M. King

Hubert J.M. King is a retired Police Captain from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Metro Transit Police Department, located in Washington D.C. He is owner/founder of 4 Kings, LLC a safety and security consulting company headquartered in Ruther Glen, VA. Hubert King is a husband, a proud father of 2, and a grandfather of 4. Mr. King

understands the journey towards become self-sufficient and working yourself up the ladder. He helps BTBT Client with many different projects and has proven to be a great resource.

Contact the President of Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today at

president@brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org



Scholarships

Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today will be announcing its first Scholarship Program. Scholarships are award to assist Clients in obtaining their goals. Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today understands that financial barriers are one of the biggest reasons Clients do not move forward with their goals and dreams. Scholarships awarded will be paid towards qualified educational or business expenses.

Contact us at btbt@brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org for more information about this program

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<http://www.brightertomorrowsbegintoday.org>

In order to continue to provide services to our well deserving clients, we need your help.

Donations may be made by check or cash to Brighter Tomorrows Begin Today.

Complete our Contact Profile if you are someone who wants to mentor or assist a person in living out their dream.

Complete our Business Profile if you are someone who owns or runs a business and wants to give back.

If you are in need of our services please contact us!

We provide:

- * Cover letter/resume building and review
- * Mentoring opportunities
- * Higher Education Admissions Assistance
- * Goal Attainment Programming