



DREAM CENTER NEWS

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

1. Linda Selwyn completed her sanitation class with a high score. Praise God! Now she is food service and sanitation certified and qualifies for employment.

2. Our congratulations goes out to Lacrissa (DC 2011) & Casey who recently got married

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTORS

Dear friends of the CDC,

What an amazing year we have had here at the Dream Center. As we prepare for the holiday season of 2011, to God be the glory for all He has done this year.

Thank you to all those who either donated or came out to support our recent Dare to Dream Gala. The event exceeded expectations. We raised over \$17,000 for the women and girls in our program. The room was

packed out, thanks to all our partners.

With the holidays right around the corner our ministries are ramping up outreaches for the holidays.

On November 19th, we have our annual Thanksgiving banquet for Bridge to Life and our service in Camden. Please keep Camden in prayer that we can reach hundreds of families out there and bless them with Thanksgiving dinner.

Manna for Life and Adopt A Block will also be reaching hundreds of households with a full Thanksgiving & Christmas dinners.

On December 17th, we have our winter graduation. Please come out to support these ladies in their next step in life.

This next month, we are collecting hats, gloves and canned goods for our Winter Drive.

If you have any questions about these upcoming event please call the Dream center office.

Develop Staying Power in 2011,

Rev. Wilfredo De Jesús
Executive Director

Rev. Trishia Kholodenko
Director

VISION AND MISSION

Vision— We exist to empower those in need through compassionate outreaches, for the sake of the Gospel, in order to equip people with what is necessary to overcome the effects of poverty, while cultivating community collaboration and personal change to combat poverty's systemic causes.

Mission—The Chicago Dream Center is an independent 501(c)(3), that offers faith-based, multi-faceted program and services to assist low income, homeless, and underserved individuals and families move toward self-sufficiency.



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With the holiday season around the corner, Bridge to Life has been hitting the streets full force. Over the years we have made many homeless friends during our outreaches. We are excited to say that Bridge to Life had four homeless men who went to the New Life Covenant Men's retreat. Two went to the men's retreat for their fourth time, finishing all their modules! PRAISE GOD!

If you would like to give back during Thanksgiving, Bridge to Life is hosting the annual Thanksgiving Dinner on **Saturday November 19th**. We plan to reach over a hundred men and women this year. We are accepting hats, socks and gloves to distribute as gifts. If you are interested in volunteering your time or blessing Bridge to Life please email coachk41@hotmail.com

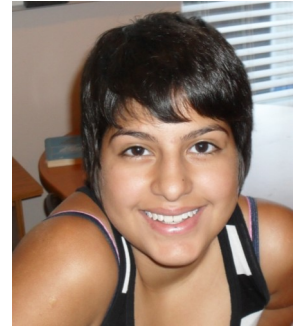
*Max Kholodenko
Bridge 2 Life
Ministry Coordinator*



Daniela has been with us for several months now and she is doing extremely well. She has allowed God to move in her life so much that she is doing great in school and becoming a prayer warrior. She recently received a progress report with all A's and B's and has developed a love for missions. She recently expressed her interest in a mission group that her school informed her about called Invisible Children. Daniela is looking for people to help raise funds for this cause. If you would like to help Daniela with this cause please contact the Chicago Dream Center. To find out more information about this cause please visit their website at



www.invisiblechildren.com



After just a few months, Daniela is no longer worried about her own resources, but is pouring energy out to help others in need.

Thank you once again for all those who donate to the Axis Teen Center! It's your donations that allow these girls, like Daniela, to dream again!



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Our Volunteer Opportunities

Bridge to Life is in need of volunteers for Tuesday and Friday night to go out and help feed the homeless. To get involved or to donate please contact the Dream Center office. Just \$1 provides a hot meal for someone in need.

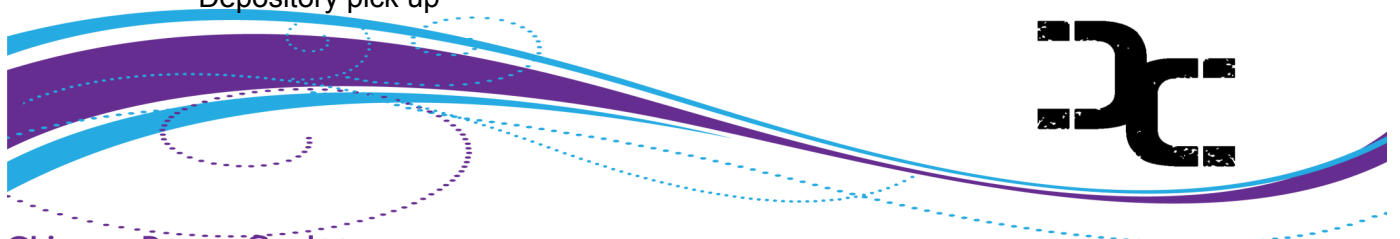
Axis Teen Center is looking for volunteers to work with the teen girls, if you are interested please contact us.

Manna for Life is in need of volunteers for ever 2nd & 4th Friday of every month from 8am-12pm for Greater Food Depository pick up

Our Wish List

Axis Teen Center is looking for a donated mini van to help transport the girls to and from school. Let us know if you have a vehicle for donation

Axis Teen Center is also looking for warm PJs, snow boots (sizes 7.5, 8, and 9) bath robes, journals, teen bibles, socks, leggings, hats, gloves, scarves, fleece blankets, house slippers, tank tops and thermos. (In all sizes)



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