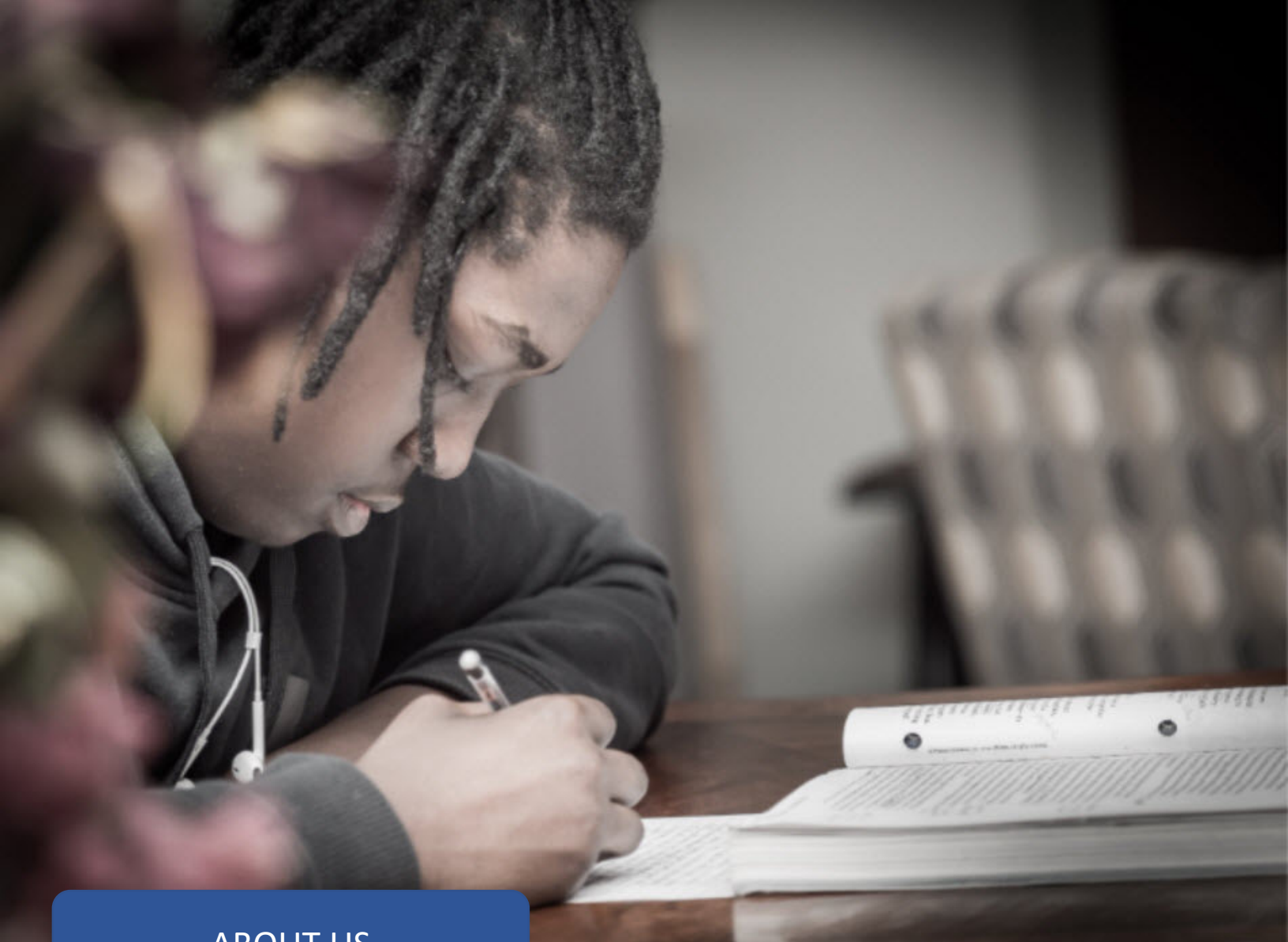




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# 2024 DONATION PROSPECTUS

Bridge The Gaps is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization helping high-risk, low-income students reconnect with education.



## ABOUT US

The mission of Bridge The Gaps (BTG) is to assist underprivileged, lower-income, minority, and at-risk students by reconnecting their cultural, emotional, mental, and educational gaps.

Our Vision is to utilize athletics to reconnect students with education and teach them to be successful at home, in the classroom, in the community, and in life after sports.

BTG believes all students should have access to the resources they need for mental, social, and physical wellness required to live healthy lives.



# OUR PROGRAMS

## REAL TALK 4REAL

Real Talk 4Real is an outreach program that discusses real-life scenarios and their consequences. Onsite workshops will deconstruct various viral social media posts depicting violence, domestic violence, and bullying and have discussions about the real-life consequences associated with those actions. Sessions will also listen to various songs that speak to acts of violence, drugs, and a street lifestyle, deconstruct those lyrics and attaching real-life consequences to those actions.

## BAMM

The Behavior Attitude Mental Mentoring (BAMM) program targets at risk students who may be faced with personal and or mental hardships that can reflect on their ability to perform or learn in the classroom. When a student is under immense pressures or in an environment of fear, anxiety, frustration, or confusion it is reflective on their ability to learn. The onsite BAMM program has assisted and influenced students while encouraging the benefits of youth engagement to help create balance, mental health, and encompass a positive learning experience.

## PLAY 4 PURPOSE

Bridge The Gaps assists at-risk, athletic students who have shown an active interest and role in society through their passions in various athletic activities. Our Play 4 Purpose program helps empower students to utilize their interests and talents in sports to obtain a higher education. Play 4 Purpose provides resources, educational tools, and helps with ancillary expenses that are not covered for most education facilities.

## BTG FAMILIES

Bridge The Gaps (BTG) Families Program is a community program that assists in the foundation of the family specifically in the school districts of the students we are mentoring and supporting. The goal of the Program is focused on empowering families in order to help build nurturing and thriving home environments.

## BTG EDU

Bridge The Gaps (BTG) Education (EDU) program supports students with resource needs specific to educational opportunities and supplemental college coaching. Most public education systems are not preparing young students for the skills required for college acceptance. BTG helps fill this gap with mentorship, counseling, tutoring, and college readiness assistance.



### REAL TALK UNDERSTANDING REAL CONSEQUENCES

#### MISSION

To seek, educate, and empower young men and women to become champions in their lives and their community by avoiding the pitfalls of destructive thinking and negative choices.

#### ONSITE WORKSHOPS

Omar “Coach D” Durham and Terrence “Coach Tee” Sampson will facilitate an interactive two-part onsite workshop at high-risk public schools that consists of a 90-minute deconstruction of a violent viral video or song lyrics followed by a one-hour victim impact statement from a victim of violent crimes.

The workshops will be recorded for various social media channels and posts to further educate the public at large. As a Real Life 4Real Partner, your donation will directly help build awareness in our target market in relation to understanding actual consequences of violence on any level, whether domestic violence, assaults or homicides. The goal is for our children to view violent events from the perspective of the victim, victim’s family, and the community at large, causing a deterrent for them after realizing the far-reaching consequences of violent acts.

**\$ 25,000 PROGRAM PARTNER**

#### OUR ACTIVITIES:

- Onsite Workshops
- Real Life Experience Speakers
- Current Events
- Peer-Discussions
- Action Alternatives
- Thought Provocation

#### PARTNER IMPACT:

- Workshop Facilitation
- Speaker Travel
- Victim Travel
- Videography | Edits
- Content Management



BEHAVIOR  
ATTITUDE  
MENTAL  
MENTORING

### MISSION

The BAMM program provides students with resources and mentorship to help foster mental health and attitude balancing to encompass a positive learning approach and environment.

### RESOURCES

Student mental health is being neglected. Most public-school campuses are stretched too thin on resources to rethink their approach in helping students with behavior and/or learning challenges. In most cases, these students are left behind to navigate emotional challenges on their own, resulting in class disruption.

Bridge The Gaps (BTG) founder and the BTG outreach network, come from an extensive background of special education, mentoring, and coaching. As a BAMM Partner, your donation will ensure our youth are receiving the mental and emotional support they need to be successful in the classroom. Support is often onsite, with individual time spent with students, and targeted consequence guidance. The BAMM Program is currently active in Bammel Middle School, making huge impacts with the at-risk student body.

**\$10,000 PROGRAM PARTNER**



### OUR ACTIVITIES:

- Mentorship | Counseling
- Consequence Guidance
- Behavior Tuning
- Attitude Alteration

### PARTNER IMPACT:

- Student Activities
- Student Meals
- Student Travel
- Resource Retention Fees
- Professional Services



### FOUNDATION IN THE FAMILY

### MISSION

To empower the family structure by offering specific support and assistance to low-income minority families so they can provide a proactive environment for student development and learning.

### RESOURCES

Bridge The Gaps Families Program is a community program that assists in the foundation of the family specifically in the school districts of the students we are mentoring and assisting. The goal of the Program is focused on rebuilding families in order to help nurture thriving self-sufficient young adults in viable communities.

As a BTG Families Partner, your donations will directly help families who have losses due to a death, major accidents, natural disasters, and unprecedented catastrophes directly influencing the student learning environment.

#### OUR ACTIVITIES:

- Necessity Deliveries
- Financial Literacy
- Career Assistance
- Ancillary Needs
- Turkey | Food Drives

#### PARTNER IMPACT:

- Meals | Food
- Clothing | Necessities
- Career Training Fees
- Financial Education Resources

**\$ 7,500 PROGRAM PARTNER**



ATHLETICS  
TRAINING  
MENTORSHIP

### MISSION

The Play 4 Purpose program helps empower students to utilize their interests and talents in sports to obtain higher education.

### RESOURCES

Obtaining a higher education is the number one priority, and our Play 4 Purpose programs helps student-athletes understand how to utilize their talents and interests in sports to obtain a college level education through a full or partial scholarship. As a Play 4 Purpose Partner, your donation will help students with ancillary resources that will allow them to maximize their opportunities. Athletic and academic opportunities range from private training, sporting equipment, recruitment, travel expenses, and in many cases helping students understand the scholarship landscape.

The scholarship market and availability has changed dramatically impacting our lower income communities the most.

**\$5,500 PROGRAM PARTNER**

# PLAY 4 PURPOSE

#### OUR ACTIVITIES:

- Tournament Sponsorship
- Coaching Resources
- Training Workshops
- Training Facilities

#### PARTNER IMPACT:

- Tournament Entry Fees
- Travel Expenses
- Training Expenses
- Necessity Equipment



TUTORING  
TESTING  
TIME

### MISSION

The mission of our Education Program is to make ancillary tutoring and learning resources available for all students.

### RESOURCES

Our education program support students with resource needs specific to educational opportunities and supplemental college coaching. Most public education systems are not preparing young students for the skills required for college acceptance.

As an education partner, your organization supports tutoring for ACT & SAT testing, tutoring resources, and services for general studies to ensure student eligibility, study habit training for college preparedness, and one-on-one educational resources are available for at-risk and underprivileged communities.

### OUR ACTIVITIES:

- One-On-One Tutoring
- Subject Expertise
- Testing Skills
- Study Habit Development

### PARTNER IMPACT:

- Tutor Fees | Expenses
- Study Resources
- School Supplies
- Computers | Access
- Testing Fees

**\$ 2,500 PROGRAM PARTNER**



# PROGRAMS IN ACTION

## REAL TALK 4REAL

Bridge The Gaps has hosted and scheduled workshops at Bammel Middle School, Dekaney High School, Spring High School, and Westfield High School targeting high-risk young men identified by the teaching staff. The 90-minute workshops have opened discussions with students, encouraging communications with the young men around their decisions, and avoiding violence. At Bammel Middle School, the administration has reported improved student behavior, and a direct impact on reduced fights with growing interest for participation from other students. At all High Schools administration has reported improved grades, and a reduction in overall school fights.

## BAMM

The BAMM program has directly influenced the following public schools:

- Bammel Middle School – Becoming a Man interactive lectures directly impact high-risk students identified by administration. Interactive lectures take place every Wednesday, for 2 class periods, reaching approximately 45 students. This program has a waiting list for its next series.
- Dekaney High School – Bridge The Gaps has provided direct murder/death outreach and counseling, and individual student mental mentorship, resulting in improved grades and improved attendance. This program is scheduled to grow to Klein Forrest High School next semester.

## PLAY 4 PURPOSE

Bridge The Gaps was able to help launch the Dekaney High School boys and girls golf team. This initiative included providing equipment for all students who were new to golf, and training resources from PGA Golf Pro, Steve Williams. This program was launched in 2020 and now has tripled in sized exposing a new sport to the student body, resulting in improved grades and student attendance. The Play 4 Purpose program has also provided resources for KFA 7v7 for uniforms, tournament fees, travel, and ancillary training resources to help underprivileged students remain competitive in the student-athlete market. Bridge The Gaps has also partnered with Pound4Pound Boxing providing free classes, directly impacting their confidence and helping to deter student bullying.

## BTG FAMILIES

Bridge The Gaps Families has hosted multiple food drives in conjunction with the student-body at numerous high schools specifically around the holidays. Food drives provide full meals to include a ham or turkey, for our lower-income families. In 2022 BTG also encountered multiple families who were directly impacted by an apartment fire. BTG was able to help provide necessities to help these families recover from total losses. Our Families program has directly provided higher quality learning environments for our at-risk students.

Bridge The Gaps (BTG) Education (EDU) has directly provided in-home tutoring for multiple students in need with an increase of 40% projected for 2023. The BTG EDU program also hosted back-to-school drives providing backpacks filled with supplies for elementary, middle, and high school students in lower-income communities in the Spring Independent School District.

## BTG EDU

# BRIDGE THE GAPS

## COMMUNITY IMPACT



# BRIDGE THE GAPS

HOW BRIDGE THE GAPS IS HELPING IN THE COMMUNITY



BOYS ATHLETICS



GIRLS ATHLETICS



• IMPROVES GRADES



## REAL TALK 4REAL

- IMPROVED CLASSROOM ATTENDANCE
- INCREASED ENGAGEMENT
- SOCIAL COMPREHENSION



## BTG FAMILIES

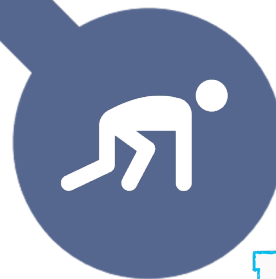
- FOOD DRIVES
- MEAL DELIVERIES
- IN-HOME ASSISTANCE
- HOLIDAY TOY DRIVES
- IMPROVED FAMILY MORAL



## BTG EDU

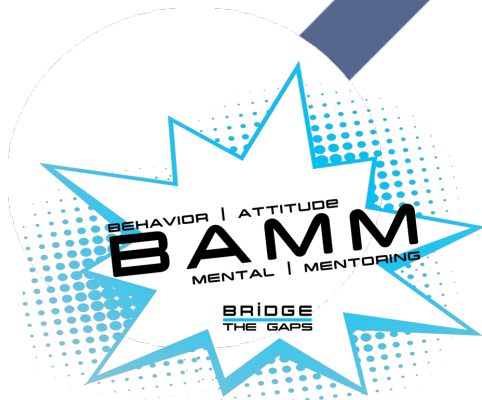
- INCREASED GRADUATION
- POST HIGH SCHOOL CAREER PLACEMENT

**BRIDGE THE GAPS**



**PLAY4 PURPOSE**

- COMPETITIVE IMPROVEMENTS
- CONFIDENCE DEVELOPMENTS
- ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP RETENTION



## MENTORSHIP

- BEHAVIOR DEVELOPMENTS
- ATTITUDE IMPROVEMENTS
- MENTAL STABILITY

# OUR TEAM



## Omar T. Durham, Founder | CEO

Throughout his career, Omar has worked at various independent and private education institutions as a certified special education teacher and athletic coach. Omar's expertise in the education system allowed him to influence, mentor, and cultivate several underprivileged and at-risk students and athletes. In 2018, after 13+ years of teaching, Omar disconnected from the current education system that was failing our youth in the core education and emotional development skill sets needed for life preparedness. Omar dedicated his career to assisting students by reconnecting cultural, emotional, and educational gaps. From this concept, Bridge The Gaps was formed.

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BTG believes all students should have access to the resources they need for mental, social, and physical wellness required to live healthy lives.

Your partnership helps us continue to make an impact directly in our community with teens that will soon be our future.

**REAL TALK 4REAL - PROGRAM PARTNER | \$25,000**

**BAMM - PROGRAM PARTNER | \$10,000**

**BTG FAMILIES - PROGRAM PARTNER | \$7,500**

**PLAY 4 PURPOSE - PROGRAM PARTNER | \$5,500**

**BTG EDU - PROGRAM PARTNER | \$2,500**

**GENERAL SUPPORTER | \$1,500**

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