Silver & Black Give Back is excited to announce we are now accepting applications for our summer Team Up Challenge, presented by AT&T, which supports youth led service learning projects. Your organizations’ young people can submit an application for the chance to receive funding and incentives from Spurs Sports & Entertainment. The incentives may include game tickets, player appearances, and much more! Team Up Challenge projects should be determined by students and include group reflections. Projects should address a concern in one of these five categories: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment, Health & Wellness or Uniformed Services.

The Team Up Challenge review committee will select 10 semi-finalists in May. These 10 projects will receive $1000 in seed funding to support their project. Projects that are selected as semi-finalists will be expected to participate in media coverage and will be invited to off-campus Team Up Challenge events throughout the summer. Incentives will also be provided to those who submit applications, are not selected as semi-finalists, yet carry out their proposal anyway.

While we hope all participating students develop leadership and character skills through their service, three Team Up Challenge summer projects will be awarded $10,000. It is essential that your application include an outline of how your team would use the $10,000. The grants awarded to the summer Team Up Challenge Champions can be used to continue the project beyond the program timeline or address another need you find relevant during the summer or in our community. The championship funding will be awarded to the organization of the winning projects. Semi-finalists and Champions are selected by our review committee. Champion will be announced in August.

Enclosed you will find an application and more information about the Summer Team Up Challenge. If you have questions please contact Hollis MacDonald at 210-444-5891 or hmacdonald@attcenter.com. Applications must be submitted by May 15, 2012.

We look forward to supporting, encouraging, and learning about your students’ ideas for improving our community.
Questions to Get You Started:

We suggest you use these questions with your Team Up Challenge group to help you brainstorm and start planning your project.

1. What is important in our neighborhood/community?
2. What do we need in the neighborhood/community?
3. What are we learning about right now that is applicable to helping our neighborhood/community?
4. How could we use what we are learning to help our neighborhood/community?
5. How could the Spurs, Silver Stars, or Rampage players help us make our neighborhood/community a better?
6. What is a big problem in our neighborhood/community? In San Antonio?
7. How could we help fix this problem?
8. How could we use $1,000 to help improve our neighborhood?
9. If Silver & Black Give Back helps us, who else could we get to help us address this problem?
10. How could we use $10,000 to help improve our neighborhood/community?
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY. ALL FIELDS MUST BE COMPLETED FOR CONSIDERATION.

Class or Club or Team:________________________________________ Age (s):____________
Organization:_________________________________________ Chapter:____________________________
Address:_________________________________________________________________________________
501(c)3 Tax Identification Number (must be included to be eligible): _____________________________
Mission: __________________________________________________________________________

First Captain
Name:________________________________________
Title:________________________________________
Best time to reach you:________________________
Email:________________________________________
Cell Phone:________________________
Work Phone:________________________

Second Captain
Name:________________________________________
Title:________________________________________
Best time to reach you:________________________
Email:________________________________________
Cell Phone:________________________
Work Phone:________________________

Select one area of need your project will address:
Education   Environment   Health & Wellness   Arts & Culture   Uniformed Services

Need—Why is this project needed in your community:
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
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Outline—Describe how this project will be implemented:
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

Attach additional pages as necessary
Please return all application pages by mail or fax by Monday, May 16, 2010 to:
Silver & Black Give Back
One AT&T Center San Antonio, TX 78219
Fax 210.444.5875
For questions, please email education@attcenter.com
Curriculum—Describe how this project will be tied to learning objectives:

Benchmarks—List the outcomes this project will aim to meet by the following dates:

Benchmark #1 (7/2/12)

Final Submission (8/13/12)

Participation—Include number of participants in each of the following categories:

- Students:_____________________________
- Community Groups:___________________
- Staff:___________________________
- Other:_____________________________

Number and sizes of T-shirts for participants:

- Youth S:______ Youth M:______ Youth L:______ Youth XL:______
- Adult S:______ Adult M:______ Adult L:______ Adult XL:______

Budget—How will the $1000 seed funding be used:

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Grand Prize—Describe how the grand prize of $10,000 would be used:
__________________________________________________________________________________________________
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Attach two letters from students or youth who were involved in the planning of this project.

Schedule—Please provide the best dates and times to see the project in action:

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Any additional notes about scheduling (Please note: to be eligible for player appearances you must submit activity details of how the player would be engaged in your project):
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Memorandum of Understanding  
Summer Team Up Challenge 2012

If selected as a semi-finalist for Silver & Black Give Back’s Team Up Challenge for the 2012 Summer, we acknowledge and commit to the following. We understand that failure to return this signed form will disqualify our team from being considered as a semi-finalist.

We understand that failing to meet any one of the following will result in disqualification for the $10,000 champion grant.

We will send one captain and one student to every workshop held for the Team Up Challenge. If selected as a Champion our team and captains will be present for the check presentation.

We will submit receipt information regarding the use of the $1,000.00 seed grant. If the use of the money does not serve the project we understand that we may be disqualified from the $10,000 champion grant and required to refund the misallocation of funds.

We will return the signed NBAE media releases for all participants in the Team Up Challenge – students, captains and other personnel excepting those participants under state care. We understand that failure to do so will result in an inability to go on court during halftime and an inability to be eligible for player appearances.

We will submit our benchmark reports, information for online voting and our final reflection piece on time.

We will send one captain and at least one student to the reflection presentation.

We will allow Team Up Challenge partners and other staff from Silver & Black Give Back and Spurs Sports & Entertainment on campus during Team Up Challenge appearances or work days.

If selected as a Champion, we will submit a signed letter from our Executive Director with a detailed fund allocation proposal. This fund allocation will verify that the funds will be used as outlined in the original proposal.

If selected as a Champion we will put the Championship banner provided by Silver & Black Give Back on display in our offices.

While we encourage the use of social and traditional media, we ask that you do not publicize a player appearance in advance or distribute information regarding semi-finalist or champion status before an announcement has been made by Silver & Black Give Back.

I have read and understand the above statements. If selected as a semi-finalist we will adhere to the above guidelines.

__________________________________________________________  ________________________________
Signature of Captain                                                Signature of Executive Director
Team Up Challenge Application Guide  
Summer 2012

Applications will be accepted from youth – oriented nonprofit organizations with a valid 501(c)3 number within a 75 miles radius of San Antonio.

**Captains** are the caring adults who help facilitate the students’ service learning project(s) and serve as the point of contact for Silver & Black Give Back. The Captains will be responsible for the distribution of incentives and submission of progress reports.

Students may choose from five **project categories**: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment, Health & Wellness or Uniformed Services. A single project category must be selected. Examples of service learning projects may be found at [http://www.servicelearningtexas.org/about-service-learning/what-is-service-learning/](http://www.servicelearningtexas.org/about-service-learning/what-is-service-learning/) or [http://www.servicelearning.org/topic/quality-components-standards/k-12-cbo-standards-high-quality-service-learning](http://www.servicelearning.org/topic/quality-components-standards/k-12-cbo-standards-high-quality-service-learning)

Please provide a brief explanation of how and why the students identified the **need** that their project is addressing.

The **outline** should be brief, yet provide enough information for the review committee to understand how the students’ service will meet the objectives of the project. Please limit the outline to one page if attaching additional pages.

In order for our review committee to clearly see the tie to learning, we are counting on the application to show how the student activities address **learning objectives**.

To keep the project progressing and as a way of measuring the impact of these projects, please establish **benchmarks** or goals the students are aiming to meet by the given dates.

Included in the benchmark report due July 2, 2012 should be five bullet points (no more than one sentence each) detailing accomplishments to date. Photos and video submissions are also encouraged. These components will be used in our **online voting**, one of the components in determining the Team Up Challenge Champions. The technical requirements will be provided to semi-finalists.

**Recognition** could include an appearance and help from a player or mascot from one of the Spurs Sports & Entertainment teams, game tickets, on-court photos, public recognition, Spurs Calendars, posters, pencils, and other special items and experiences.

For the **participation** section, indicate the number of students, staff, other adults, and community groups who will contribute to the project. Students are encouraged to collaborate with community organizations. The core of the student group should not exceed 50 young people.

The **budget** outlining how the $1,000 seed funding would be used to support the project is an important planning tool in ensuring the project is plausible. Receipts for the use of the seed funding should be submitted with each benchmark report and final reflection.

We are excited to learn what you will do with the **Grand Prize** award. The check will be written to your organization, so please include how you propose the funds be used if awarded. In conjunction with thoughtful and carefully planned reflection pieces, the semifinalists will be evaluated on their relationship to Silver & Black Give Back’s mission and Team Up Challenge focus and the likelihood to
meet the Grand Prize objectives.

An important component of service learning is reflection. Students should be creative in how they reflect on their service; however, the following information must be submitted with the reflection piece:

- Number of participants active all summer:
- Number of new members:
- Funds Raised (if applicable):
- Partners in the community:

Semifinalists must include receipts from the seed funding along with a statement from the Executive Director of the organization verifying how the Grand Prize of $10,000 would be used and an itemized fund allocation proposal.

In order for Silver & Black Give Back staff to schedule visits from our board, staff, players and media, it is critical for you to include a project schedule with your application. You may enter multiple calendar dates and times for each day of the week. Once selected, all Team Up Challenge semi-finalist participants must have a signed waiver on file before any visits take place.