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Matthew C. of Brooklyn, NY

PAL knows that the majority of our supporter have hearts that belong to our community. Marcel has continued to serve the PAL family. With your support and through these partnerships, PAL engages in a variety of positive service models, including our PAL Education program, which offers an opportunity to PAL and other youth organizations in their community simply to see what’s going on and offer help, building relationships with police officers helping kids helping kids and young people on a consistent basis.

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PAL staff are great! Every week we hear from someone who grew up in PAL, and their stories are amazing. They tell us how being part of this organization has shaped their lives. Many even become members of our Board of Refraction. The letter below is fromnam, one of our past participants who are doing great things. If you love what we do and hope you will share your story with us! You can mail it in or call us at 1-800-PAL-4643 option 3.

Hopefully you will enjoy this story as much as did. Also, we hope you will join us to help PAL help every day throughout New York City, PAL is creating new stories.

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One of the organizations that has dutifully supported PAL’s participants is Con Edison. Supporting PAL programming for over 20 years, Con Edison has provided 50 volunteers annually. Their presence is counted on to help deliver the annual Holiday Party and to assist with activities at the party each year. Con Edison also supports our after-school program, PAL-NYC Keep Kids Safe. Among our most important contributors are our individual volunteers, who dedicate their time to support our centers. Bart M. Schwartz has been volunteer- ing for PAL for over a year now, the states with our special events, and actively helps our staff as a hard-working administrative assistant. Bart’s say, “I enjoy volunteering at PAL because I love the work environment, and I see the difference it makes when I work with kids.”

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PAL has always had the good fortune to have strong leaders in its store. For 56 years, the Honorable Robert M. Morgenthau has helped lead the organization, and this year he celebrates 100th birthday. PAL will be honoring him at our Spring Gala on May 26th in New York. We look forward to celebrating with you, and to honoring our honorees.

Thank You Officer Anderson!

The Police Athletic League’s special connection with the NYPD allows police officers to work closely with PAL youth throughout the city, bridging a gap between the NYPD and the communities they serve. These officers act as vital, inspirational role models for the boys and girls who receive PAL’s services. Police Officer Lamont Anderson is just one example.

In 2017, PAL acknowledged Police Officer Lamont Anderson in our Fall newsletter for the time and effort he has dedicated to PAL youth. He is retiring after 25 years of service, and we are all grateful for his time here with PAL. As a former member of the police force, Officer Anderson’s involvement with PAL helps bridge the gap between the NYPD and the neighborhoods they serve. The stories we hear make it clear that those people who choose to support PAL with donations have made the right choice. We could not work with over 30,000 youth each year without the additional support of our individual, foundation, corporate and corporate donors. I am particularly proud of the number of individuals who support PAL. We often say to each other, ‘The Board of Directors, PAL Staff, Police Officers, support groups, alumni, and volunteer – we are the ‘Best Friend a Kid Can Have,’ and we strive to prove it to you daily.

Thank you all for all you do for PAL.

Frederick J. Watts
Executive Director

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PAL alumni are great! Every week, we hear from someone who grew up in PAL, and their stories are inspiring. They tell how being part of the organization has shaped and molded their lives. Many even become members of PAL’s board of directors. The letter below is just one example of the stories we are sharing with you. If you know a story you hope you will share your story as well. You can reach us at a PAL-4KIDS option 3.

Hopefully, you will enjoy this alumni story as much as we did. Also, we hope that you will join us to help PAL youth this holiday season. If you have memories as a PAL kid or a story feel free to contact him at 212-477-9450 x. 386 or visit www.palnyc.org.

ALUMNI STORIES

I became a PAL donor to contribute what I can to help children do positive things and stay on the right track while growing up.

Matthew C. of Brooklyn, NY

PAL knows that the majority of its supporters have hearts that hold PAL’s heartfelt sentiments. They’re the kind of people who hope that you will consider becoming a fitness donor to PAL, because you can share a special gift of PAL. Your gift will provide young people and their families the important and positive experience they receive.

PAL News

Cops & Kids (Sports) is a great way for the NYPD to connect to the community. Kids have a safe place to go and interact with positive role models.

– Former NYPD Community Affairs, Lesser Holmes, Borough President

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For over 100 years the Police Athletic League (PAL) has provided a forum for youth to become productive citizens of society by improving their skills in athletic and life skills.

This principle has led to improved relations between police officers and community. When police officers and youth engage in meaningful activities, they understand each other’s differences, leading to increased trust. PAL is a unique sports model program of PLAYSTREETS, championed by Captain John Sweeney, in 1914, to our current collaboration with NYPD Neighborhood Coordination Officers, PAL is forged in its partnership with NYPD and the law enforcement community.

With your support and through these partnerships, PAL engage in a variety of projects that bring PAL and other youth organizations in New York City together.

If you have been involved with PAL in the past 15 years – you know of Marci Braithwaite. Whether you were a PAL kid, employee or community leader. Marcel has most likely influenced your PAL experience.

In 2004, after stints as an entrepreneur and a public agency employee, Marcel joined PAL as its manager. Personnel staff and members were happy to see their young people and their families.

If you have the privilege of working with Marcel, you will be inspired by the people around you. Marcel is the type of leader who respects their deep connections in their neighborhoods and wants to inspire PAL youth to be the best they can be.

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