# KIWANIS CLUB of SKIDAWAY I-PLAN for 2016-2017

#### Create the Vision

Kiwanis International Motto – Serving the children of the world.

**Defining Statement** – Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

**Mission** – Kiwanis Club of Skidaway's mission is to serve the at-risk children of Savannah and the world, one child at a time.

**Vision** – Kiwanis Club of Skidaway will be a positive influence in our community and help to ensure that all children will have the support, nurturing, resources and opportunities they need to thrive and be successful.

**Vivid Description** — Our club is part of a global network of clubs, individual supporters, alumni, donors and corporate sponsors who are dedicated to provide opportunities for service, fellowship, leadership and philanthropy in our local community, state and international affiliations.

## **Gather and Analyze Information**

Our members will be asked to fill out the Achieving Club Excellence, A Formula for Healthy Kiwanis Clubs survey. Results will be tabulated and distributed to members. This will be done in October/November. Survey results will be used to develop strategies in some of the I-Plan areas.

### I-Plan—Inspiration, Impact, Image, Investment

For each of the four I-Plan dimensions, our club's I-Plan comprises:

- (1) Actions that we will take to satisfy Kiwanis International's Club Recognition Program's achievement qualifications
- (2) Goals, strategies and steps to advance our club's local commitment to serve the at-risk children of Savannah and the world, one child at a time

## **INSPIRATION** Goal: To build, retain and support a growing Kiwanis membership network

Criteria	Points	Completed	Comments
Invite 4 new members to join the club AND finish	6	6	On track.
the year with a net gain of 2 members.			At 3/31, 15 new; net gain of 15
			(including 4 reinstatements of
			lapsed members)
Sponsor or co-sponsor a new Kiwanis club	6		
President and secretary participate in CLE before	3	3	Done.
taking office.			President:
			Secretary: online
Club representation in attendance at the district,	3		Lt Governor's rally (2)
regional (if applicable) and international			Mid-Winter training (2)
conventions.			
Appoint club membership chair; participate in	2	2	Done.
membership committee education.			Joyce Glenn appointed.
	Subtotal	11	

#### In addition, our club will pursue these strategies:

- Membership We will have as our goal to add 10 new members to our club in the upcoming year.
   Members will be recruited through contacts in community organizations, social gatherings, and club
   publicity efforts. All new members will go through an orientation and will act as greeters at meetings.
   Sponsors of new members will be informed of the specific obligations they have in ensuring that the new
   member is involved in club activities and special events.
- 2. A record of meeting and club activity attendance will be kept and members who are not active will be contacted to encourage greater participation.
- 3. Members who do not renew their membership will be contacted and reasons noted. This information can be used to modify club activities, communication, and providing relevant programs and information when appropriate.
- 4. A comprehensive protocol detailing membership best practices will be developed and approved by the Board of Directors.
- 5. Develop Leaders Club leaders will be recruited to chair committees, become board members, and participate in club events and activities. Mentoring by current leaders will be emphasized and leaders will be encouraged to attend Division and District leadership training opportunities.
- 6. Build a strong network of local partners We will build upon our Sponsor Program by creating a protocol for approaching potential sponsors, assigning a member customer service liaison to maintain contact with the sponsor, and provide sponsor support in the form of event tickets, publicity, opportunities to address our Kiwanis club, and other considerations. We would like to add at least three new sponsors this year.

**IMPACT** Goal: To perform meaningful service, with service to children as our priority

Criteria	Points	Completed	Comments
Conduct an annual signature project involving at least 25 percent of the club's membership. In selecting the project, consider something that will elevate the public's awareness of your club while providing a needed service for the community.	6	6	Annual signature Pancake Breakfast involves >25% of our membership.
Contribute a minimum of 25 Kiwanis service hours per member. Service hours must be sanctioned by the club's board of directors. Volunteer work performed individually or through other organizations cannot be included.	4		Our club is working to better capture our members' Kiwanis service hours.
Sponsor or co-sponsor at least two SLPs (Aktion Club, K-Kids Club, Builders Club, Key Club, CKI, Terrific Kids, Bring Up Grades and Key Leader)	3		Partial. Sponsoring Richmond Hill Key Club.
Sponsor 4 or more Service Leadership Projects or charter a new one during the year and receive additional points.	3	3	In addition to our Pancake Breakfast, we sponsor our annual Chili Cook-Off, Concert at the Harbor, Special Olympics (bowling, track & field), Junior Achievement. New SLP is SCCPSS middle- & high-school reading bowl.
Support through service or donation another local organization focused on the needs of children	3 Subtotal	3	Donated \$50,000 on 9/29/16 to 16 local agencies serving at-risk children (of \$64,500 total granted). On track for 2016-2017 donation goals, to be distributed in September 2017.

In addition, our club will continue to provide service in our community with projects including:

- 1. Providing volunteers for teaching Jr. Achievement in the local K-8 school
- 2. Initiating a new program that will assist elementary school children in becoming proficient readers. This will be done in 2017.
- 3. Assisting teachers in helping tutor children who need extra help through the L.O.V.E. program
- 4. Providing many volunteers for our signature project of sponsoring Special Olympics for track and bowling
- 5. Providing volunteers for a Kid's Fishing Derby which invites disadvantaged children to spend a day with us having a good time and learning how to fish.
- 6. Developing a Kiwanis Service Day as part of our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. This could become an annual event.
- 7. Providing volunteers and funding for "Backpack Buddies," which provides weekend food for children in need.

**IMAGE** Goal: To enhance the Kiwanis image worldwide

Criteria	Points	Completed	Comments
Establish or maintain an active partnership	6		[America's Second Harvest: we
with a Kiwanis International or local partner			make Kids Cafe grants
			annually, support Backpack
			Buddies (which sources food
			through ASH's food bank) with
			Kiwanis service hours and
			grants, and include them in our
			Chili Cook-Off to promote
			community awareness of their
			services to at-risk children. In
			addition, our members provide
			hands-on support as needed.]
Receive positive media coverage for a	6	6	Coverage in Savannah Morning
signature or other service project			News, Carriage Trade
			Productions, and TV and radio
			media.
Document at least 2 press releases prepared	3		On track.
by the club in the 2016-2017 service year.			
Complete Youth Protection Guidelines	2	2	Done March 16.
Education. Distribute YPGs to members and			
conduct a program on how it impacts club's			
activities and youth			
Appoint a club public relations chair to ensure	2	2	Done.
the activities of the club are recognized in the			Cecilia Russo Turner.
community			
	Subtotal	10	

In addition, our club will increase our name recognition in the community by creating a strategic year-long public relations and marketing plan to disseminate information to the public, including:

- 1. Increasing knowledge of our mission, both internally and externally by:
  - a. Increasing Facebook post frequency; increase Facebook followers.
  - b. Pitching educational print and radio pieces as stories, articles and columns.
  - c. Creating pre-event press releases and post-event press releases to be distributed with photos to local media.
  - d. Posting all media placements on social media to include traffic to the information. Include information in the Savannah local Newswire Community Headlines.
- 2. Unifying all Kiwanis brands by:
  - a. Creating unified looks for the main events by consistent branding
  - b. Including Kiwanis logo along with event logo.
- 3. Promoting the Kiwanis vision and vivid description. Promotion plan to be created through public relations strategy.
- 4. Promoting signature products by including signature product offerings in all promotional materials.

## **INVESTMENT** Goal: To ensure financial viability and responsible stewardship

Criteria	Points	Completed	Comments
Donate at least US\$10 per member to	6	6	Done. Our club donated \$6 per
the Kiwanis Children's Fund or			member (\$708) to the Kiwanis
national Kiwanis Foundation outside			International Foundation via the
the United States			Georgia District Sponsored Projects, in
			accordance with the Georgia District's
			guideline of \$6 per member. In
			addition, our members donated over
			\$2,500 more this year to support
			Project Eliminate, bringing our total to
			over \$25,000.
Create and maintain a club strategic	5	5	Done.
plan as an investment in the future			2016-2017 I-Plan
and to help increase the effectiveness			
of its service to the community.			
Donate a minimum of US\$5 per	4	4	Done. Our club donated \$13 per
member to your district foundation. In			member (\$1,534) for projects
the absence of a district foundation,			supported by the Georgia District
make an equivalent donation to a			(excluding the payment of \$708
local or regional children's charity			directed to the Kiwanis International
			Foundation, noted in Criteria 1).
Fundraise and contribute at least	2	2	Done. [\$65,400 donated for 2015-
\$100/member in the community			2016; on track to raise and donate at
			least \$400/member this year.]
	Subtotal	17	

#### In addition, our club will:

- 1. Continue to invite members to make annual donations to the Kiwanis of Skidaway Foundation, to ensure financial viability and responsible stewardship as well as an ability to maintain annual levels of donations to local agencies (through earnings) in the event unforeseen events force us to cancel a signature event
  - a. Note: Even with Hurricane Matthew, our club and community pulled together to ensure our signature Chili Cook-Off was successful.
- 2. Enhance the effectiveness of our Corporate Sponsor program, through greater involvement of members with the complimentary skill sets required for greater success
- 3. Explore options to refresh our annual Service Leadership Project fundraisers and to raise funds in new ways
  - a. Adaptations to our Concert at the Harbor
  - b. Expanding the service reach of our Show Your Colors flag program
  - c. Responding nimbly to fund-raising opportunities that come to us: Bob Milne Concert
  - d. Expanding our participation in the annual Skidaway Island Marathon. Note: In our second year, we increased our fund-raising from \$500 to \$1,500, and we expect to increase our fundraising in next year's marathon through even greater participation