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BE STRONG INTERNATIONAL Monthly Newsletter

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#### NATIONAL BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

To call attention to this devastating issue and help families and communities find solutions, October has been declared National Bullying Prevention Month by PACER, an advocacy group for children with disabilities – a frequent target of buillies, who usually seek out the weak and powerless. The need for such a campaign is painfully clear. According to the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). being builled puts youth at higher risk for depression, anxiety, sleep difficulties, lower academic achievement, and dropping out of school, and can lead to physical injury, social and emotional distress, self-harm and even death.

#### CLICK HERE TO READ MORE!

#### **ANNOUCEMENTS**



#### GIVE MIAMI DAY! SAVE THE DATE NOV. 16TH, 2023

Be Strong International is proud to be part of Give Miami Day!

On November 16th, lets give back to our communitiest Donate and help us continue to serve those who truly need it. Youth, families, and individuals will all benefit from your generous donations in free services such as dood drives, back to school supplies, and much more! Mark your calendars!

LEARN MORE HERE!

### WE'RE IN THE NEWS



WATCH VIDEO

#### BE STRONG SHOW WELCOMES MARIA-PAULA GARCIA FROM THE JOY OF IMPACT

### Hosted in partnership with Miami's Community Newspapers

Miami's Community Newspapers
Watch our les Strong, Show as we welcome our
special guest, Maria-Paula Garcia, owner of The Joy
of Impact! Watch as our CEO and Chief Heart
Officer, Michelle Shirley, Interview: "Mapi" as she
shares increbible insights of being a consultant, her
work/file journey, and the road that brought her to
where she is now. Also, get to know her at a deeper
level as she answers some fun questions from our
new card game, Social Yaks!

### WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

#### MARRIAGE MATTERS CEREMONY NIGHT

### Another cohort down for the books!

Another cohort down for the books! Be Strong Internations! Marriage Matter program celebrated yet again, the completion of another successful cohort! For the last S-weeks, our couples learned all about how to develop and also maintain a healthy relationship, no matter what stage of marriage they're. Lo furing the graduation event you could feel the love in the air as the couples danced, enjoyed all the prizes, delicious food, and shared their personal testimonials.



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# GEMS GRADUATION

### Girls Empowerment Mastery Program!

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There's some new certified GEMS in Howal We had such an incredible time with all of our 'GEMS'; their Emillies, and our manning panelists: Than Johnson, Vivianne Behorques, and Sandra Ward, during our GEMS Graduation event! We would like to thank everyone who made this cohort posible, including our funders, donors, speakers, team members, and expecially the parters whor trusted us with their precious daughters! We know that what they precious daughters! We know that what they feared here with so here will stick with them for the rest of their lives!

#### KEEPING THE SPARK ALIVE MARRIAGE MATTERS SEMINAR 2023

#### Bilingual event for married

couples was a complete success!

Be Strong International hosted its annual Marriage Matters "Keeping the Spark Alive"
Seminar 2023! The romantic night consisted of prizes, lots of fun, as well as a sit-down dinner



learned amazing tips to improve their marriages from our expert keynote speakers, Judith John, The Couples Guidance and Cecilia Alegria, La Doctora Amor.





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### SEPTEMBER FOOD DRIVE Record breaking numbers of

## individuals & families served!

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Every month we are left in awe of all the amazing community support and love! This past food drive, we distributed food to 513 families! Up to date, more than 1,1000 households have received free food peakages! We could not be more grateful it on the web womedreful opportunity to took the lives of so many people in such a positive, impactful way, the best part? We don't do it alone! We are only able to do this work with the outstanding support from our lovely volunteers, partners and Farm Stare FL for providing the food! We are so grateful!

#### BE STRONG INTERNATIONAL QUARTERLY STAFF RETREAT

### Team bonding and connecting!

Even few months the Be Strong International team has such a great time at our quarterly staff retreats and this last one was no exception! We all came together as a team, connected and aligned ourselves with the organization's goals! Congratulations to Johnattan Aracena for being worde as Employee of the Quarter by his peers! Very well deserved!



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### MIAMI DOLPHIN'S FOOTBALL UNITES HOSTS BSASC STUDENTS AT RECORD SCORING GAME!

### official partner of the game!

### WHAT'S COMING UP!

### **VOLUNTEER WITH US & GIVE** BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY - OCTOBER 12TH!

#### Join our next food drive!

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Our monthly food drives, in collaboration with
Farm Share R., continue to make an impact in
the community of Goulds! On the second
Thursday of each month, we get so excited to
come out to Demps Park and serve up to 500
families with nutritious food packages! Are you
looking for ways to give back? Join us and make
a positive impact!





#### NEW MARRIAGE MATTERS COHORT

#### Spots are limited! Deadline to register is Oct 20th!

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Are you straggling to communicate with your spouse? Then our FREE Marriage Matters program is perfect for you! A happy lasting marriage is possible! Join our new cloth and receive the best educational skills & tools to improve your marriage! What are you waiting for? Spots are limited! Deadline to register is Oct 20th!

### HEARTS IN RHYTHM CHARITY EVENT- SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 14TH, 2024

#### A celebration of philanthropy!

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Time to mark your calendars! Our Hearts in Rhythm Charly Veren' is taking place Thanday, March 18th 2024, starting at 6.00pm at The Rhyth Place, New Executed Come join in for a celebration of philanthropic spirit, as you take in all the rhythm of our hearts, mere claim peopole during a fabulous night filled with fun, live entertainment, and exquisite cuisine! More details coming soon!



#### **JOIN OUR TEAM!**

#### **Available Positions at Be Strong International**

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