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NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR BOSELLI FOUNDATION

Southland Waste Systems (SWS), a Republic Services Company, has teamed up with The Boselli Foundation to enhance the lives of children on the First Coast. SWS has entered into a three-year partnership with the foundation to help fund their youth centers.

“We are very excited to team up with Southland Waste Systems and look forward to a productive relationship,” said Tony Boselli, foundation founder. “Partnerships between nonprofits and the business community are essential for us to facilitate the next generation of our community to become productive citizens and leaders of our future. We are eternally grateful for the support of Southland Waste Systems.”

In addition to assisting with the funding of the centers, SWS will also be partnering with The Boselli Foundation on community events and fundraisers to benefit the foundation. The foundation is committed to helping children reach their full potential at home, at school and in the community.

“Southland Waste Systems and Republic Services make a point to give back to our communities, even in the tough times,” said Andy King, general manager of SWS. “We admire Tony and his foundation for their commitment to kids in Jacksonville. We look forward to working closely with them to help even more children live up to their potential. These children are the future of Jacksonville and we believe The Boselli Foundation can make a real difference in their lives.”

There are currently two Tony Boselli Youth Life Learning Centers.

The first center opened at Simonds-Johnson Community Center and Playground at 3730 Moncrief Rd. in early 2007. The second site opened in August 2008 at Russell Bill Cook Jr. Community Park at 3300 Jones St. The Boselli Foundation hopes to open more centers throughout Jacksonville. The focus of the centers is to provide the community with a comprehensive, holistic after-school learning environment that includes academic enrichment and remedial education in the areas of reading/language arts and mathematics, supplemental services, mentoring and character development. The Boselli Foundation was created by former Jacksonville Jaguar Tony Boselli and his wife Angi. His mother, Dr. Candace Boselli Hodgkins, serves as executive director.

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