Our Mission

Christ Child Society, Inc. Girls on the Rise is a prevention and empowerment program designed to engage at risk girls ages 8-18 and their families residing in Southeast DC. Our program offers girls various growth-enhancing opportunities, including activities and experiences that promote academic, personal, social, emotional, cultural and recreational development.

Using positive youth development principles, a holistic and a two generational approach, we focus on creating opportunities that address the needs of the girls and their families. We offer literacy, tutorial assistance, health, wellness and leadership opportunities, to help the girls with the vision to plan – and the tools to build their future.

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**Program Overview**

GOTR operates year round, during the school year and in the summer months. Our program works in partnership with parents, schools and the community to ensure success.

**School-Age Program**
This program offers girls grades 2nd through 5th with academic support, literacy focused programs and hands on enrichment.

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**Mentoring Program**

**Black Girls Travel**

Middle School Programs

This comprehensive program focuses on helping middle school girls as they transition through girlhood, and will provide girls with a passport to self-discovery which will promote personal development, increases in confidence, and increased understanding of the value that they possess as black girls.

**Queens on the Rise**

Teen Programs

This program mentors girls in grades 9-12 through advocacy, high school prep, college prep, other post-secondary opportunities, career choices, leadership, community service, and assistance in all areas of their life’s to ensure success. Girls also participate in our Summer Leadership Institute via the Mayor Marion S. Barry Summer Youth Employment Program (MBSYEP)

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**For Parents**

Supporting families is an important part of our program, because strong families=a strong and confident child. The success of the program is based on the relationship and the trust developed with the parents and the girls.

The family component provides emotional support, assistance and material resources when a family is most in need. The focus of the program is to empower parents to be strong and confident individuals, while accompanying them on their journey to becoming better advocates for themselves and their children.