

## Good Neighborhoods Locations



# The Skillman FOUNDATION

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## KIDS MATTER HERE

*The Skillman Foundation's Good Neighborhoods program is a 10-year \$100-million program that provides full-scale support to six Detroit neighborhoods where 65,000 children live.*

### Brightmoor Community Goal:

All Brightmoor youth will have access to and participate in a range of year-round programs during non-school hours that encourage academic growth and positive social development.

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### A Family Fun Day for the Brightmoor Community

Staying focused and committed to the Brightmoor community goal of providing youth access to participate in a range of year-round programs during non-school hours that encourage academic growth and positive social development, Genesis New Beginnings Christian Ministries hosted a family fun day on Saturday, Aug. 16 -- an exciting and worthy day for kids and families in the Brightmoor community. With more than 500 guests present to soak up the sun and chow down on burgers and dogs, you also had a choice of being pampered, taking part in games, activities or to learn about how to become more involved. Brightmoor is starting to make good things happen for worthy kids and causes, and Genesis New Beginnings is one of the leaders of the pack.

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*Boys and girls alike enjoyed having their faces painted during family fun day.*



### Cody/Rouge Community Goal:

All children live in a village where they are safe, healthy, educated and have access to unlimited resources.

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### Cody/Rouge's Outstanding Student Achievers

The Joy Community Association and St. Mary's Block Club celebrated the outstanding achievements of 24 Cody/Rouge students who, during the school year, maintained a 2.5 or higher grade point average. The summer luncheon was organized to acknowledge, congratulate and inspire these and other youths to continue on the academic road to success. Each student received individual awards from the Joy Community Association, Commissioner Alisha Bell, State Rep. Gabe Leland and Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick. The event was held at the new Dick & Sandy Dauch Boys & Girls Club campus, and keynoted by Skillman Program Officer Robert Thornton, who oversees the Good Neighborhoods work in both the Brightmoor and Cody/Rouge neighborhoods.



*Adults who made this event possible: (L to R): Angy Webb, President, Joy Community Association; Robert Thornton, Program Officer, The Skillman Foundation; Alisha Bell, Wayne County Commissioner; Gabe Leland, State Representative; Geraldine Brown, President, St. Mary's Block Club; Shirley Monroe, Temple of Faith Church; Kenyetta M. Peoples, Cody/Rouge Community Liaison, and Roy Monroe, Temple of Faith Church, standing among 12 of the 24 award recipients.*

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