

# Executive Roundtable celebrates Gifford children

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VERO BEACH -- The Executive Roundtable of Indian River County last month celebrated the Gifford Youth Achievement Center's students with a Tunnel of Hope.

Members of the Roundtable, along with community and youth leaders, police officers and firefighters, wanted to support to GYAC members and encourage them to have a successful school year.

In addition to the nearly 100 children that walked through as leaders shook their hands, students performed a pledge of confidence. Those in attendance were also entertained with dances and speeches.

The Executive Roundtable of Indian River County is a group of executives from the school system, law enforcement, government and social service organizations, who identify solutions to enhance the lives of Indian River County residents.

The group's initial focus is Kids at Hope, with a philosophy that all children are capable of success.

Kids at Hope is currently being implemented at Dodgertown Elementary School, Vero Beach Elementary School, Alternative Center for Education, Gifford Youth Activity Center.

In the fall, Sebastian and Treasure Coast Elementary schools will be included.

For more information on The Executive Roundtable contact Executive Director Aimee McPartlan at 772-226-0566 or by email [amcpartlan@execroundtableirc.org](mailto:amcpartlan@execroundtableirc.org) or visit <https://execroundtableirc.org>.



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Chief Keith Touchberry, chairman of Executive Roundtable, with Eric Flowers of IRC Sheriff's Office.