

Kids shoot hoops for a great cause

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Nearly 40 seventh-graders at the Roxbury Latin School laced up for a good cause and raised \$7,000 for the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps during the school's annual basketball "shoot-out."

Over the past 10 years, the Roxbury Latin School has raised \$40,000 for various charities by hosting its annual shoot-a-thon. The RFK Children's Action Corps was chosen as this year's beneficiary because of the organization's low overhead and the important work it does to help underserved youth across the commonwealth.

Eric Bertino was the day's top shooter with 90 baskets made in three minutes. He received a pair of Boston Celtics tickets for his efforts. Josh Rappaport raised \$1,456; Carl Deane collected \$728; and Matthew Condakes turned in \$308. Rappaport received a basketball autographed by the Boston Celtics, and Deane won tickets to a Celtics game as prizes for being the top fund-raisers.

RFK Children's Action Corps board member Christopher Perry, of the law firm Littler Mendelson, and former RFK Children's Action Corps board member Don Rodman, of Rodman Ford Lincoln Mercury in Foxboro, both donated Boston Celtics tickets to the boys.

Proceeds from the benefit will support RFK Children's Action Corps residential and educational programs.

The Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps is statewide agency whose services include educational, residential treatment, juvenile justice and community outreach programs, which support, educate and rehabilitate children, helping them to grow into healthy and productive adult members of their communities. For more information, visit www.rfkchildren.org or call 617-227-4183.