



The New York Red Bulls visit residents at Horizon Juvenile Center for a world-class soccer clinic and competition.

New York Red Bulls and DJJ Sponsor Horizon Soccer Clinic

On September 23rd, the New York Red Bulls and DJJ sponsored a soccer clinic for youth at the Horizon Juvenile Center in the Bronx. Members of the New York Bulls soccer team instructed the residents on the sport of soccer, game rules, scoring and techniques.

Approximately 85 residents, both boys and girls, participated in various soccer drills under the tutelage of New York Red Bulls players Danleigh Borman, John Gilkerson, and others. Equipment Manager Fernando Ruiz also participated in the activities. In addition to soccer drills and competition, Horizon youth had the pleasure of witnessing the Red Bulls “Freestyle Street Team” display a variety of tricks involving the use of soccer balls.

Horizon Juvenile Center’s Executive Director Eduardo Marcial said, “Thanks to the New York Red Bulls, more than 85 young people were able to meet recognizable role models and compete in a fun and exciting soccer clinic”.

“Our thanks go to the New York Red Bulls for providing the youth of Horizon Juvenile Center with a well-received soccer clinic,” Horizon Deputy Director of Programs Susan Campos said.

The clinic was enjoyed so much by Horizon youth that one resident “R” penned an unsolicited note of thanks to the team, writing: “Out of all the sports teams we have here in New York, no one ever thought about coming here to Horizon to spend time with us. The Red Bulls are the only team that actually took time out of their lives to come to Horizon to meet, teach, and have fun with us. So because of that, everyone here in Horizon would like to show our gratitude and appreciation to the one and only Red Bulls! We thank you Red Bulls and we want you to know that you are always welcome here at Horizon.”

In addition to providing an innovative recreational opportunity for children in detention, the clinic was intended to make a positive intervention in the lives of residents who might otherwise never have a chance to have personal interaction with world-class athletes and contemporary sports stars.

