

# The Community Partnership

The mission of The Community Partnership is to support the development of healthy and thriving communities by promoting awareness of needs, creating and implementing services and partnerships to help meet those needs while encouraging individual responsibility.

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# Capable Kids <sup>^</sup> and Families<sup>®</sup>



Supporting children with disabilities and their families

222 Home Visits

56 Family Events

412 Developmental Therapy Equipment Loans

84% of Families report CKF helps their child grow & develop

# Alexander

4 year-old Alexander does not walk or talk. In fact, most of his life has been spent in a horizontal position. His family borrowed an upright mobility device designed to allow children with movement delays to stand and move. When placed in the device, Alexander immediately moved across the room and began to share Goldfish crackers with his brother. It was the first time he ever initiated this type of spontaneous social interaction.

The next day, Alexander attempted to pull to a stand for the first time. He is motivated to explore and bear weight, which has such exciting possibilities for long-term development!

Home Visits | Developmental Therapy Equipment Loan | Networking Opportunities | Adapted Playroom | Friendship Circles | PE for All Kids | Camp Capable



# Early Childhood



Promoting school readiness through training and support

430 On-Site Training Hours Provided

925 Children Served

167 Early Childhood Teachers Trained



EC Children Scored Significantly Better at Kindergarten Entry Testing

# Reading

One of our local home providers was very honest with her Early Childhood Specialist a few months ago when she admitted that she wasn't reading to her children for the recommended fifteen minutes a day—in fact, she wasn't reading to them daily at all.

Early Childhood staff encouraged the provider to read to the children in her care every day by providing engaging books and modeling interactive reading time during visits.

Recently, the provider shared that she has one of the school-age children read to the younger children daily. Now the children love reading time and look forward to it each day!

Site Visits | Technical Assistance | Resources & Materials | Group Training | Support Groups |



# PLUS 1



Education and mentoring for pregnant and parenting youth

36 Youth Served

196 Home Visits

27 Parent Education Classes

100% Demonstrated Improvement in Parenting Aptitude & Attitudes Scores

# Lyndsey

Lyndsey joined the PLUS 1 program when she was 16 and in foster care. Shortly after she turned 17, Lindsey was released from foster care, quit the PLUS 1 program, and married the father of her baby. She dropped out of high school and began working at a local restaurant. A few months later, Lyndsey decided to rejoin PLUS 1 as she soon realized she could not support her family working at a fast food restaurant.

PLUS 1 staff connected Lindsey with the Career Center Youth 180 Program to further her education and learn job skills. PLUS 1 staff supported and encouraged her while she completed her HiSET certificate and as she began medical assistant courses at Metro Business College.

Today, Lindsay has a strong relationship with her mentor and works very hard to achieve her goals. Lindsey has grown as a parent as she's completed the PLUS 1 parenting classes and her daughter is thriving!

Home Visits | Parenting Classes | Life Skills Training | Education Support | Community Mentors |



# Independent Annual Report Living Program



Life-skills training and educational support for youth in foster care

205 Youth Served

909 Client Visits

99% Attending School or Graduated

98% Increased Life Skills Scores

# Amber

Amber was struggling when she enrolled in the Chafee Independent Living Program (ILP). Her history of behavior problems and poor decision making had resulted in several changes in placement and severe restrictions. Amber was not allowed to go anywhere without a staff person present and had no access to the Internet or a cell phone.

After joining ILP, Amber began to see new possibilities and learn better ways to express her feelings. Over time, she demonstrated so much growth that she was allowed to join the Area Youth Advisory Board. Her self-esteem and motivation increased dramatically and she was elected to the State Youth Advisory Board.

Today, Amber has completed high school and works at a local nursing home. She plans to continue her education and has gained the trust and respect of her entire team.

Home Visits | Life Skills Training | Education Support | Leadership Development | Linking Hearts



# Resale Shop





Local donations meeting local needs

7.473 Volunteer Hours

\$11,064 In Vouchers to those in need

225 Households Assisted

Low-cost Household Goods | Vouchers to those in need | Volunteer Opportunities | Salvage Recycling |



# Development



Building relationships and increasing awareness

Volunteers 41 Utilized

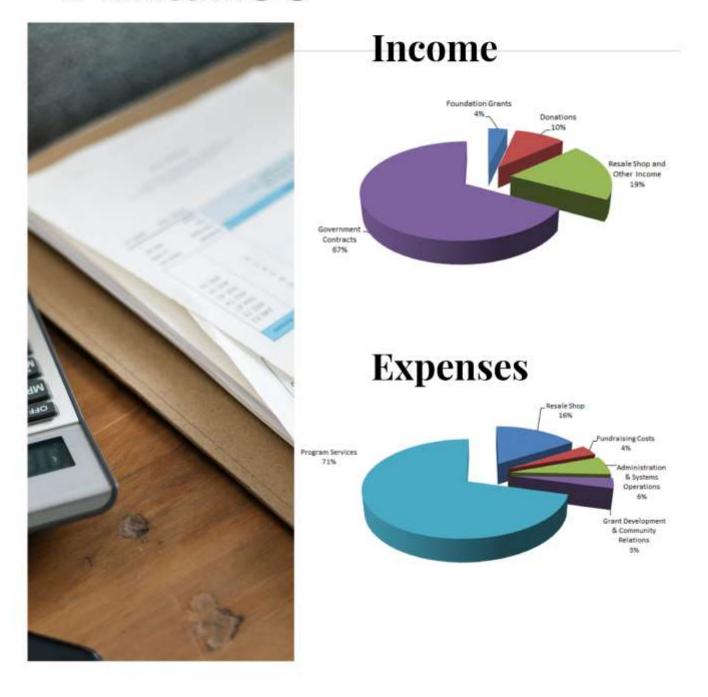
\$124,185 Total Donations

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