COMMUNITY SUCCESS STORIES

Real stories of real people in your community

NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK 2019
Zabrina came to Bryan’s House when she was just 18 months old. She has Cerebral Palsy and was non-verbal and developmentally delayed, she was not mobile. Bryan’s House gave her access to speech, occupational, and physical therapies and an environment rich with social relationships.

Today, at age four, she can eat on her own and get around with her walker. She loves interacting with the other children at Bryan’s House and exploring her surroundings and the classroom materials.

Mom’s words today, “When I leave her at Bryan’s House each morning, I leave with no worries. I know the staff will love her, teach her, and look after her needs while I get myself back on track financially, mentally and socially. I actually feel good when I leave her at Bryan’s House, knowing she is in good hands allowing me to work at a good job, to support our family. Yes, I love Bryan’s House.”
Mr. Emanuel entered South Dallas Community Court on March 21, 2019, on an Alcohol Violation. During his assessment, it was discovered that he was unemployed and actively seeking employment.

SDCC’s Social Services Coordinator recommended that Mr. Emanuel sign up for City Square’s Texas Workforce Solution. Mr. Emanuel was compliant with social services recommendations and completed TWC sign up as instructed.

Upon graduation from SDCC on April 4, 2019, Mr. Emanuel announced that he received an interview for a truck driving position.
"The City of Dallas loan program has been a huge support in helping us as a startup business to better serve our community. Our vision was to create a preschool for the children of our city that would not only provide a strong early childhood education but also expose our children to bilingualism.

We have created jobs in our present community and invested in the education of our future leaders.

We value the support from the City of Dallas loan program and their funding in helping us make Yorktown Spanish School a reality for our community. Thank you!"
Amy is 14 months old and lives with her mother in a transitional housing program. Her mother is receiving treatment for substance abuse there. Born drug positive, Amy has experienced many serious health issues in her very short life. She has had pneumonia four times in the last 12 months! And due to the fluid in her lungs, she has developed feeding and eating issues.

With oral skills at the 4-month level, she still eats baby food as well as a special diet. Her physical skills are also delayed. But we recently celebrated Amy’s ability to finally sit up at age 12 months! With all the challenges this little one has endured in her short life, Amy continues to make progress in her development.

Amy is indeed overcoming her traumatic start in life through the occupational, physical, speech and feeding therapy she receives each week at Vogel Alcove free of charge. She also receives daily oversight and monitoring from our registered nurse, who ensures Amy is eating well and breathing normally.

With Amy now settled at Vogel Alcove, her mom has been able to secure and keep a job. How exciting it is for us to see Mom beginning to put her life back together and provide a stable environment for Amy!
"The program has been a big help with social skills and homework for my two children, especially my son who has autism and delayed learning. When I pick them up in the evening most of the time they are done with their homework. That helps me out a lot. When we get home we can just focus on family time."
- Single mother, with 2 children at Bayles' CDBG Out of School Time Program

"My children have benefited from this program because I have three children with ADHD. They have struggled from their prior schools with bullying and discipline. Since enrolling in this program they have mad friends, made progress in their grades and have opened up and become comfortable around people. Before they were quiet and afraid to talk to people."
- Single mother with three children in Saldivar's CDBG Out of School Time Program