



# 2022 IMPACT REPORT

Our programs serve the most vulnerable foster youth, who are at least 14 years old and at-risk for leaving the system without permanency, and young adults who have already emancipated and need extra support to achieve self-sufficiency.

THRU Project donors made the following activities and outcomes possible:

# HOUSING

youth were provided apartments through our housing programs, which cover the cost of furniture, rent and ongoing case management.

#### LIFE SKILLS

life skill workshops were held this year to help youth learn valuable skills as they transition into adulthood.

Here are some highlights:

Renting an Apartment-San Antonio Apartment Association

Confidence When Job Searching-TDJ Consulting

Healthy Relationships-

Texas Foster Youth Health Initiative

# MENTORING

230 youth were matched with mentors.

62 mentors completed training.

### CELL PHONES

smart phones with fully paid monthly plans were provided to youth, ensuring they stay connected and maintain relationships with key people in their life.

## TRANSPORTATION

VIA bus passes were provided free of charge to youth in need of transportation.

### **2022 OUTCOMES**

75% of youth live in stable housing.

60% of youth 18 and older are employed.

30% of youth 18 and older are in college or have graduated college.

90% of youth are on track to graduate high school or have graduated high school.

Since 2011, THRU Project has served 850 current and former foster youth!

## TESTIMONIALS

Thank you guys for all you do. You saved my life. My mentor is the best friend I never had.

-Sarah

Thank you to THRU Project for really being there for us.

I was stuck last year, and with this program I have been connected with resources, family, and especially my mentor.

She is such an amazing person. Feels good to have such amazing support from you guys.

-Jasmine

It feels good to have someone genuinely there for me, who is not going to judge me. I know they are there for me because they actually care about me. -Jaiden



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Our newest program, College Housing, launched in May. This partnership with UTSA and Texas A&M San
  Antonio provides free housing for students with a history of foster care. So far, the program has served 13
  individuals, all of whom must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA. We look forward to celebrating many graduations in
  the years to come!
- All three housing programs experienced growth throughout the year, almost doubling from 17 young adults being housed in January to 31 young adults living in apartments or dorms in December.
- Our inaugural Elaine Andries Hartle Mentor of the Year Award was given to Stewart Blanton, who has been volunteering as a mentor since 2017. Daniel Johnson, one of our housing program participants, was honored with the inaugural Cecilia Ormond Fostering Hope Award.
- The Betting on Success gala raised over \$450,000 for THRU Project's programs. Save the date for this year's event on September 30th at the Red Berry Mansion!

