



GENERATIONAL CHANGE MODEL

Research has shown that the single most important factor for building resiliency in children who face the highest risks is a long-term, consistent relationship with a caring adult.

1 CHILDREN FACING THE HIGHEST RISKS

Select children facing the highest risks – those statistically at serious risk of continuing the cycle of poverty in their own lives.

2 PROFESSIONAL MENTORS (FRIENDS)

Moving mentorship out of the volunteer realm is key to getting the quality, consistency and commitment that our children need.

3 COMMIT FOR THE LONG HAUL

We commit to every child for the long term, from kindergarten through high school graduation. 12 ½ years. No matter what.

4 INDIVIDUALIZED AND INTENTIONAL

A dedicated 1-on-1 Friend spends a minimum of 16 intentional hours per month with each child focusing on their individual growth potential.

5 HOME, SCHOOL, COMMUNITY

We work in each child's home, school, neighborhood, and community. We advocate for them at their school and build family trust.

6 EVALUATE, MEASURE, IMPROVE

We evaluate, measure, and improve. This allows us to continue to identify ways to make our program stronger.



CORE ASSETS

With these nine core assets in place, our youth will enter adulthood with a solid foundation for future success.



Growth Mindset



Positive Relationship Building



Find your Spark



Problem Solving



Self-Determination



Self-Management



Perseverance/Grit



Hope



Belonging



INTERMEDIATE OUTCOMES

School Success: Regular attendance, positive school behavior, successful course performance.

Social & Emotional Development: Identifies relationships with peers & adults who provide social support & connections to resources.

Improved Health: Healthy nutrition, regular physical activity, understand & use preventive physical and mental health resources.

Making Good Choices: Engages in positive extracurricular activities, engages in non-aggressive behavior, talked to youth about avoiding risky behavior.

Plans and Skills For The Future: Attain skills for safety & independence, youth can set short & long term goals & monitor progress towards them.

LONG TERM OUTCOMES

While **60%** have parents who did not graduate high school



83% of our youth graduated high school

While **50%** of our youth have parents who are incarcerated



93% avoid the juvenile justice system

While **85%** of our youth were born to a teen parent



98% avoid early parenting