

UNITED WAY OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA IS CREATING POSITIVE, SUSTAINABLE CHANGE BY FOCUSING ON THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF A BETTER LIFE: EDUCATION, INCOME AND HEALTH.

## Duval County

### Education - Takalya's story



▲ Takalya needed extra help to stay on track in school. Her mom heard about United Way's Achievers For Life, a dropout prevention strategy, and registered her in the program. Through weekly sessions, she received one-on-one mentoring. Today, Takalya has earned a spot on the A/B Honor Roll, completed advanced classes, and qualified as a candidate for a college scholarship program.

**United Way is addressing the root causes of issues in Northeast Florida.**

**ISSUE:**

- In Duval County, 34% of 9th graders do not graduate high school.
- High school dropouts earn approximately \$9,634 less per year than high school graduates and are ill-equipped to enter today's competitive workforce.
- On average, households headed by a high school graduate accrue ten times more wealth and have better odds of weathering an unexpected financial crisis than those headed by a high school dropout.

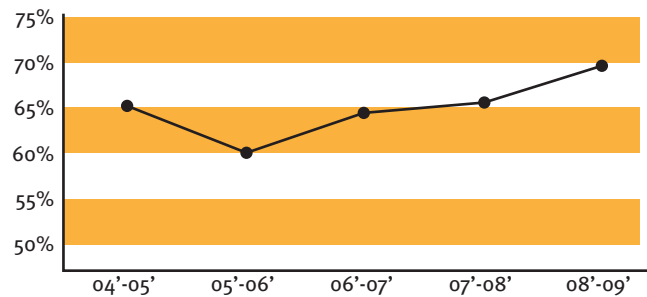
**SOLUTION:**

- Led by United Way, Full Service Schools brings together community resources, neighbors and schools to promote the health and well-being of students, their families, and neighborhood residents.
- *Achievers For Life*, a strategy to address the problem of dropping out of school, was implemented in Arlington in October 2007, expanded to Northwestern and Matthew Gilbert middle schools in the 2008-2009 school year, to J.E.B. Stuart and Jefferson Davis Middle Schools in 2009-2010, and to Eugene J. Butler in 2011.

**IMPACT:**

- More than 42,000 people were served through *Full Service Schools* last year.
- Serious student conduct violations have decreased 50% for students served by *Full Service Schools*.
- 760 families were served through *Achievers For Life* last year. Participating students had 25% fewer absences, 20% improvement in GPA, and 26% fewer math and English failures than a comparison group.

DUVAL COUNTY GRADUATION RATES



**321,000** Duval County residents receive assistance through United Way-funded programs in Northeast Florida

**76** United Way-funded programs help Duval County residents

**85** United Way-funded programs help residents in Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, and northern St. Johns counties.

**124,544** Duval County residents called our 2-1-1 helpline for information and referrals including crisis and emergency financial assistance.

**10,173** Duval County households received free tax preparation assistance resulting in nearly \$16 million dollars in refunds to the Duval County economy.

For more information or if you have any questions, please call or write:

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## Programs Serving Duval County

### All Saints Early Learning & Community Care Center

- Intergenerational Care Center - Early Childhood Success
- Intergenerational Care Center - Senior Engagement and Independence
- Success By 6

### American Lung Association of Florida, Inc.

- Open Airways for Schools

### American Red Cross Northeast Florida Chapter

- Armed Forces Emergency Services
- Disaster Services
- Health & Safety Services

### The Arc Jacksonville

- Triumph Industries

### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Florida

- In-School Mentoring
- Traditional One-to-one

### The Bridge of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- Bridge Urban Springfield

### Boy Scouts of America - North Florida Council

- Scouting - Positive Youth Development

### Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeast Florida

- Traditional Clubs

### Catholic Charities Bureau

- Comprehensive Emergency Services

### Challenge Enterprises of North Florida, Inc.\*

- Lighthouse Learning Center

### Child Guidance Center, Inc.

- Outpatient Mental Health Counseling

### Children's Home Society of Florida, Buckner Division

- Adoption
- Teen Girls Residence
- Family Life Education
- Promise House

### Clara White Mission

- Comprehensive Emergency Services

### Communities In Schools of Jacksonville, Inc.

- Student Enrichment
- Achievers For Life

### Community Connections of Jacksonville, Inc.

- Davis Center Children's Services
- Davis Center Homeless Family Services
- Success By 6

### daniel, Inc.

- Project Prepare

### DLC Nurse & Learn, Inc.

- Developmental Learning Center

### Episcopal Children's Services

- Success By 6

### Family Foundations

- Consumer Credit Counseling Services
- Family & Individual Counseling
- Financial Literacy

### Full Service Schools of Jacksonville

- Andrew Jackson FSS
- Beaches FSS
- Englewood FSS
- Paxon FSS
- Ribault FSS
- Sandalwood FSS
- Terry Parker FSS
- Westside FSS

### Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, Inc.

- Positive Youth Development
- Innovative Programs for At-Risk Girls

### Girls Incorporated of Jacksonville

- GirlStart/GirlSmart

### Greater Jacksonville Area USO

- Cyber Café

### HandsOn Jacksonville

- HandsOn Connect

### The Help Center, Inc.

- Transitional Living & Recovery

### Hope Haven Children's Clinic and Family Center

- BASICS
- Access to Success

### Hubbard House, Inc.

- HARK (Helping At-Risk Kids)
- Emergency Services

### Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc.

- Civil Legal Services

### Jacksonville Community Council, Inc.

- Quality of Life Report/Race Relations Study

### Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce

- Education and Workforce Preparation

### Jacksonville Speech & Hearing Center, Inc.

- Adult Hearing Disorders
- Speech & Language Services

### Jacksonville Urban League, Inc.

- Community Partnership

### Jewish Community Alliance

- Early Childhood Success
- Life: Act 2
- Senior Engagement & Independence
- Success By 6

### Jewish Family & Community Services, Inc.

- Counseling
- Financial Assistance
- Life Management Skills
- Achievers For Life

### Learn To Read, Inc.

- Jacksonville Reads

### Lutheran Social Services of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- Second Harvest Food Bank

### Mental Health America of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- Mental Health Education

### Methodist Children's Village

- Success By 6

### New Heights of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- Adult Developmental Training
- Adult Support Services
- Children's Therapy Services
- Respite Care

### Northwest Behavioral Health Services, Inc.

- Mental Health Supported Housing

### OneJax

- OneYouth

### PACE Center for Girls Jacksonville

- Dropout Prevention

### Pine Castle, Inc.

- Group Home Services

### Quigley House, Inc.\*

- Emergency Shelter & Support Services

### The Salvation Army

- Family Services Duval
- Red Shield Lodge
- Success By 6

### The Sanctuary on 8th Street

- Youth Happens

### Sulzbacher Center

- Health Care
- Shelter Services

### United Way of Northeast Florida

- 2-1-1
- Achievers For Life
- Born Learning
- Bridging Eldercare Networks
- RealSense Prosperity Campaign
- Success By 6

### YMCA of Florida's First Coast, Inc.

- YMCA Pryme Time/YMCA Reads

### Youth Crisis Center, Inc.

- YCC Residential

### Additional Success By 6 Centers:

- Alridge Day Care
- All About Kids
- Christ the King Preschool
- Happy Acres Ranch
- New Dimensions Early Learning Center
- The Oaks Early Learning Center
- Punkin Place
- St. Catherine's Preschool

\* Programs located outside Duval County