

Clay County

Early Childhood Success



▲ Born with a cleft palate, Cynthia endured years of corrective surgeries. When she enrolled in a United Way-funded early learning program, she cried each morning and refused to look at anyone. Through parent meetings, her mother learned how to redirect Cynthia's temper tantrums and create effective discipline strategies. Today, Cynthia talks more, knows almost all of the alphabet, and can write her name.

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

ISSUE:

- The first years of a child's life are critical to his or her future success. Children are born learning, and research has shown that children that receive quality and positive care are more likely to succeed academically, socially, and financially later in life.
- Research has shown that for every \$1 invested in early childhood programs approximately is \$17 returned to the community

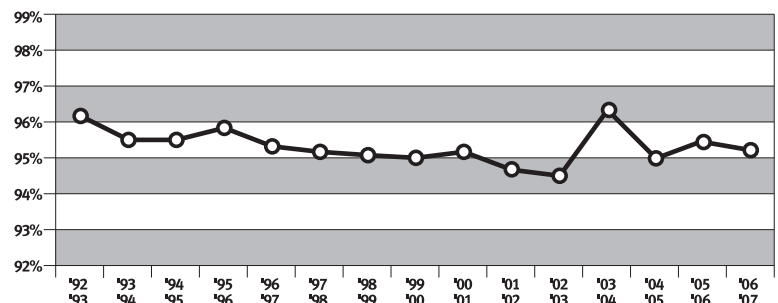
SOLUTION:

- United Way's Success By 6 initiative is providing access to high-quality early learning activities.
- United Way partners to educate parents about the role they play in their child's development using Born Learning materials developed by United Way of America, The Ad Council, and Civitas

IMPACT:

- Parents are a child's first and most important teacher. Last year, more than 2,500 parents learned how to turn everyday activities into learning moments with their preschool children.

Clay County 1st to 2nd grade Promotions



JCCI Quality of Life Progress Report: www.jcci.org

Data Source: Florida Department of Education

52,440 Clay County residents receive assistance through United Way-funded programs in Northeast Florida

50 United Way-funded programs help Clay County residents

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

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Programs Serving Clay County

All Saints Early Learning & Community Care Center

- Intergenerational Daycare

American Lung Association of Florida, Inc.

- Open Airways

American Red Cross Northeast Florida Chapter

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

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Florida

- One-to-One Mentoring

Catholic Charities Bureau

- Comprehensive Emergency Services

Challenge Enterprises of North Florida, Inc.

- Lighthouse Learning Center

CHILD Cancer Fund

- Family Support Services

Child Guidance Center, Inc.

- Outpatient Mental Health Counseling

Children's Home Society of Florida, Buckner Division

- Adoption
- Buckner Maternity Care
- Promise House

Clay County Behavioral Health Center

- Social Rehabilitation and Vocational Education

Episcopal Children's Services, Inc.

- Directly Operated Centers

Family Foundations

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

Girls Incorporated of Jacksonville

- Positive Youth Development & Education

Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, Inc.

- Field Services
- Innovative Programs for At-Risk Youth

Greater Jacksonville Area USO

- Support of Active Duty Military & Family

Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of North Florida

- Healthy Pregnancy

Hubbard House, Inc.

- Children
- Emergency Services

I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless

- Health Clinic
- Shelter Services

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc.

- Civil Legal Services

Jacksonville Community Council, Inc.

- Quality of Life Report
- United Way Research

Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce

- Education Workforce Preparation

Jacksonville Speech & Hearing Center, Inc.

- Audiology Services

Jacksonville Urban League

- Community Partnership

Jewish Family & Community Services, Inc.

- Counseling
- Financial Assistance

Lutheran Social Services of Northeast Florida

- Second Harvest Food Bank

Mental Health America of Northeast Florida

- Mental Health Education

National Multiple Sclerosis Society, North Florida Chapter

- Information & Referral

New Heights of Northeast Florida, Inc.

- Children's Therapy Services

North Florida Council Boy Scouts of America

- Scouting
- Mohawk District

OneJax

- OneYouth

Quigley House, Inc.

- Emergency Shelter & Support Services

The Salvation Army

- Family Services-Clay County

United Way of Northeast Florida

- 2-1-1
- Success By 6
- RealSense Prosperity Campaign

Volunteer Jacksonville, Inc.

- Volunteer Jacksonville

YMCA of Florida's First Coast, Inc.

- Positive Youth Development

Youth Crisis Center, Inc.

- Youth Shelter, Family Counseling, & Safe Place

Programs in italics are located in Clay County.