

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.

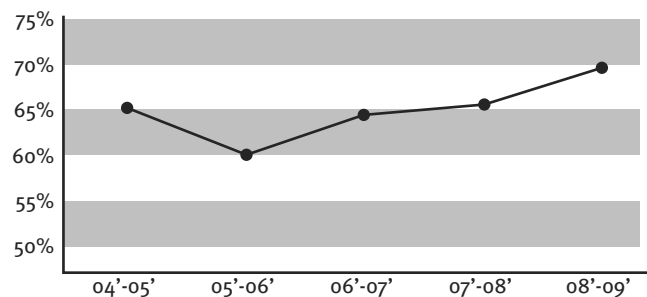
SOLUTION:

- 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

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- 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