



The Child and Family Network Centers Impact Report 2015-2016

Your Impact...

We just wrapped up the 2015-2016 school year and we wanted you – our donors - to be the first to know our results for Alexandria children. The Child and Family Network Centers (CFNC) thanks each and every one of you for providing brighter futures for 148 vulnerable Alexandria children. Your donation had the following impact:



Thanks to you...

- **148** children from low-income families will enter kindergarten ready to learn in September.
- **106** children from **18** countries speaking **13** languages improved their English language skills by two levels.
- **7,251** books were checked out of CFNC's lending libraries, an average of **48** books per student.
- **64,262** healthy meals and snacks were provided to our preschool students.

Health Services

- **145** children received hearing, vision and dental screenings. **25** children received glasses.
- **148** children were screened for developmental delays and **17** were referred to Child Find for further assistance.
- **148** children were assessed for social and emotional issues and **49** identified are receiving additional help in social skills groups.
- **95%** of uninsured students obtained insurance.

Family Services

- **148** parents achieved **457** goals from finding better housing and obtaining insurance to learning English and improving career prospects.
- **148** families attended **5** educational workshops including one on how to advocate for your children's education.
- **148** families received **2** home visits – for a total of **326** home visits.



“Look at my new glasses!”

Angie was so excited when she received her new glasses. Now she is able to see the letters on the chalk board and read the words in her favorite books. Thanks to a partnership with the local Lion's Club, CFNC provides free vision screenings to all students. This year 25 students received new glasses. In addition to vision screenings, CFNC provides hearing and dental screenings to ensure children with any medical issues get them resolved so there are no barriers to learning.

Ready to Achieve

On the last day of school when the teachers asked students if they were ready for Kindergarten, Kevin shouted “Yes!” He said, “We know so much now! We learned a lot so now we can go to Kindergarten with all of our friends. But I wish we could stay in this classroom forever.” Kevin has a huge heart and shows great compassion for those around him. He is always making sure his classmates are feeling ok and enjoying their day. Kevin made amazing progress and developed strong English language skills to prepare him for Kindergarten. Equally as important, Kevin is very proud of his Honduran heritage and his Spanish language skills. Kevin once said, “I like being from Honduras, it makes me special, you know? I can speak Spanish and English!” When Kevin grows up he said he wants to be a police officer. “So I can help people when their car gets broken or when they fall down and get hurt.”



Ways You Can Get Involved

Join Our Young Professionals Council

Young Professional from across the DC Metro area are joining together to support The Child & Family Network Centers. To join this dynamic group of individuals striving to ensure brighter futures for Alexandria children email Jessica Hallstrom at jhallstrom@cfnc-online.org.

Adopt-a-Classroom

Adopt one of CFNC's eight classrooms for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year. Corporate sponsors receive: photos and updates about the classroom you have sponsored; laser engraved plaque recognizing your support displayed in the classroom; four classroom engagement opportunities throughout the year; plus additional marketing opportunities for your business. Call Jessica Hallstrom at 703-836-0214.

Sponsor-a-Child

Sponsor a child and give that child the gift of a brighter future. For just \$19 a month child sponsors can exchange letters and photos and even visits. Your contribution will be combined with others so all children benefit and you have the satisfaction of knowing you have helped a child beat the odds. Go to cfnc-online.org for more information.

School Supply Drive

Help us start the school year off right. We are in need of the following supplies for our eight preschool classrooms. Supplies needed per classroom:

- 1000 toilet paper rolls
- 20 hand soap
- 100 paper towels
- 40 Scotch tape
- 18 backpacks
- 18 glue sticks
- 18 notebooks
- 18 boxes of crayons
- 18 boxes of markers
- 1000 pom poms
- 1000 wiggly eyes
- 1000 pipe cleaners
- 100 packs of construction paper
- 20 easy shaker glitter
- 18 "Rooster's Off to See the World" new books by Eric Carle



A Heartfelt Thank You

Thank you to all of the donors who have pledged their support to The Child & Family Network Centers and for joining with us to provide a bright future for Alexandria children. The extraordinary opportunities for educational enrichment that this preschool provides, gives the entire community hope for an exciting time ahead. The amazing gifts from all of our donors in 2015-2016 school year have helped us to provide an early education for 148 vulnerable Alexandria children and prepare them to succeed and chase their dreams.

We are deeply grateful for your commitment to helping at-risk children beat the odds. It is because of you 148 children will start kindergarten in the fall with the tools they need to achieve.

With Much Appreciation,

Lisette S. Bishins
Executive Director



3700 Wheeler Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22304

Address Service Requested