



How your United Way donation makes a difference in THRIVING CHILDREN



United Way
of Southeastern Connecticut

GOAL: Children enter school ready to learn and are successful in primary school.



675
families were provided with tools and resources to support their child's learning



4,469
youth participated in out-of-school programs and received individualized support

Meet Casey. She has her sights set on a level of success for her family that was unimaginable even a few short years ago. As a daughter in a dysfunctional family, growing up she did not have stability and security and dropped out of high school. Casey wished for a different kind of future and today she has goals for herself and her family. To help achieve this, she was able to utilize the childcare services at Riverfront Children's Center while she progressed through her educational programs. Her son is blossoming because of Riverfront's unique supportive model. When her son first started in the program his language skills were delayed compared with peers. Today, he has expanded his vocabulary while learning important social-emotional skills that promote positive peer relationships. He is currently participating in the Summer Meals program and has access to the Center's Diaper Bank and clothing closet. Benefits such as these are essential to so many of the Riverfront families. Casey is now able to pursue a college degree and is grateful for becoming an independent, self-supporting family unit because of the supports provided.

Highlights of our work for THRIVING CHILDREN:

- More than \$500,000 invested
- 6,109 children and youth served through our Partner Programs
 - 93% of children (0-5) served achieved developmental milestones
 - 96.9% of youth served graduated high school on time
 - 90.2% of youth served earned passing grades in core subject areas

Programs we fund in Thriving Children through Allocations are: Higher Edge, Safe Futures, Inc., The Center: A Drop-In Community Learning Center, The Lighthouse, Child and Family Agency, Madonna Place, Riverfront Children's Center, and TVCCA

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EQUITABLE OUTCOMES FOR THRIVING CHILDREN GRANT

- United Way is striving to improve outcomes for racial and ethnic minorities in Groton and New London.
- Awarded up to \$25,000 to three programs that drive positive change and improve outcomes. Success factors include:
 - An increase in children and families receiving support in learning.
 - An increase in participation in out-of-school programs and job skills training.