

THE IMPACT

FIRST STEP FUNDING STORIES

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teen action & support center

Teen Thrive

“A 17-year-old female had been involved in our First Steps teen parenting program and her home situation became very difficult. Her mother informed her that when she turned 18 in two weeks, she and her son needed to leave. She had shown great commitment in our First Steps program, even walking to work and meetings in the rain when her car broke down. She graduated from high school despite the odds. After doing her budget with our case manager, she found a very small amount that she could afford for housing, but it was really only enough to cover utilities. We reached out to a volunteer that had shown interest in being a host home and introduced her to the teen.

They came to an agreement that they were both comfortable with and the teen and her son moved in the next week. Over the past 8 months, this host home mentor has helped the teen with budgeting, saving, school enrollment, modeling parenting skills, cooking skills, and many other household activities. The teen’s son is now developmentally on track since achieving this stability and the teen is in college and working full time. Best of all, the host home and the teen now consider themselves family.”

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