



The Present is Where the Past Meets the Future

Social Impact Report
FALL 2024

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“For almost 25 years, the Naples Children & Education Foundation (NCEF) has been dedicated to the welfare, education and empowerment of children in Collier County. The impact of this organization is truly immeasurable. Generations of children have thrived thanks to your steadfast commitment to transforming lives, overcoming challenges and opening up new possibilities. Thank you, NCEF!”

Dr. Leslie Ricciardelli
Superintendent, Collier County Public Schools

A Message from our Leadership

Naples Children & Education Foundation and our dedicated network of partners have been a lifeline for thousands of children and their families each day for close to 25 years. As we look back on this journey, we are deeply moved by the transformative impact our funding has made in Collier County. We've helped build comprehensive systems of care that are truly changing lives—ensuring that every child's basic needs are met.

Without us, many children would not receive the essential medical care, nutritious food and educational opportunities that are crucial for their growth and success. But we believe in the strength and resilience of these children. When given the right tools, they can rise above any challenge. NCEF doesn't just provide assistance; we create opportunities where, before, there were obstacles.

With the continued support of our community, the future is bright. Together, we are not just hoping for a better tomorrow—we are actively building it, one child at a time. We are proud to present this Social Impact Report that provides a look into NCEF's past, present and future.

Thank you for the difference you are helping us make in the lives of those who need us the most.



Dale Medford
Chairman of the Board



Maria Jimenez-Lara
Chief Executive Officer

Who We Are

Naples Children & Education Foundation (NCEF) is the founding organization of the Naples Winter Wine Festival.

Our Mission

NCEF supports effective, disciplined charitable programs that significantly improve the physical, emotional and educational lives of underprivileged and at-risk children in Collier County.

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Introduction

NCEF's 2024 Social Impact Report offers an extensive overview of how funds raised have been meaningfully invested in our community and exemplifies the significant impact the organization has had in Collier County. Information contained in this report goes as far back as 2001 and includes research data collected as recently as July 2024.



“The partnership between NCEF and the Collier County Sheriff’s Office exemplifies what can be achieved when we unite around a common goal: the well-being of our children. NCEF’s comprehensive programs give our youth the tools to make positive life choices, which in turn reduces crime and enhances the overall safety of our neighborhoods. This partnership is a testament to how proactive investments in our children’s future yield lasting benefits for the entire community.”

Sheriff Kevin Rambosk
Collier County Sheriff's Office

A TIMELINE OF SUCCESS:

2 *Look what we’ve accomplished together in 24 years* —→

2000

NCEF Established

LET THE NUMBERS TELL THE STORY

Since its inaugural event in 2001 through 2024, NCEF has:



Raised almost

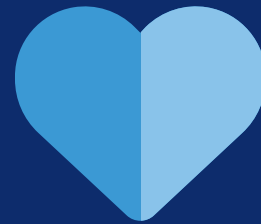
\$302 million



Established

7 Strategic Initiatives

to meet children's needs



Provided

350,000 children

with the services and resources they need to excel in Collier County



Supported close to

90 nonprofit organizations

by awarding NCEF Grants



Commissioned

7 third-party studies

on the efficacy of Grants and Strategic Initiatives

2001

First Naples Winter Wine Festival

2005

Conducted First NCEF Study of Child Wellbeing

2006

Established Healthcare and Oral Health Initiatives



“The Naples Children & Education Foundation (NCEF) has been a cornerstone in our mission to provide transformative early intervention and behavioral health support to children in Collier County.”

“Their unwavering support has enabled ABLÉ Academy to offer life-changing services to children with autism and related disabilities, ensuring that these children can reach their full potential. Through the STAR Initiative, NCEF’s impact extends to thousands of children and families, enhancing educational and developmental outcomes across the community. NCEF’s commitment to holistic, accessible care has not only improved individual lives but has also strengthened the healthcare and developmental infrastructure of Collier County as a whole.”

Colleen Cornwall
CEO/Founder, ABLÉ Academy

2007

Opened NCEF Early Childhood Development Center

2008

Opened NCEF Pediatric Dental Center

2008

Invested \$2MM into Isabel Collier Read Medical Campus

Great Things are Happening in our Community

YOUR DOLLARS DRIVE SUCCESS

 **91.5%**

overall Collier County graduation rate, up from 72.5% in 2011

 **87.4%**

graduation rate in Immokalee, an astounding improvement from just 65% in 2011

 **10%**

increase in the graduation rate for economically disadvantaged students (2015/16-2022/23)

 **65%**

of kindergartners that attended Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) were deemed “Ready for Kindergarten” in the 2023/24 school year



14%

decrease in birthrate among women under 20 (2017-2022)



35%

decrease in the number of juvenile arrests (2019-2022)



22%

decrease in the number of disconnected youth ages 16-19* (2017-2020)

*youth who are neither enrolled in school nor employed



11%

decrease in infant mortality (2017-2022)

2008

Established Early Learning Initiative

2010

Conducted Second NCEF Study of Child Wellbeing

2017

Established Hunger Initiative

The Achievement Gap

Research shows that the achievement gap appears long before children reach kindergarten. It can become evident as early as nine months old.

At-risk children who do not receive intervention and support services are:

- 25%** more likely to drop out of school
- 40%** more likely to become a teen parent
- 50%** more likely to be placed in special education
- 60%** more likely to never attend college
- 70%** more likely to be arrested for a violent crime

WE CHAMPION KIDS FROM THE START

Data confirms that the greatest challenges facing our country—from academic issues and access to health services to poverty and crime—can only be met by focusing on the development of our children, beginning at birth.

“To truly foster a child’s growth and potential, it’s essential to treat the whole child by addressing their emotional, physical and academic needs in a holistic manner.”

Sarah Zaiser-Kelly
SVP, Grants and Community Impact, NCEF

2012

Established Mental Health, Out-of-School Time and Vision Initiatives

2013

Invested \$1MM in Golisano Children’s Hospital

2013

Established First Oral Health Surveillance System in Collier County

Fully Effective Funding

At NCEF, we define ourselves as investors who are interested in attaining the highest level of human gain for the grant dollars we have available. In doing so, we consider the cost relative to the benefit, looking for projects that increase collaboration, quality and opportunities for replication to other programs.

By uniting charitable groups into coalitions, NCEF encourages collaboration toward common goals that improve child well-being in our community through strategic investments in organizations that serve children with four service categories. Before awarding grants, NCEF rigorously vets each organization, then carefully oversees recipients to ensure they administer the funds effectively.



“NCEF’s hands-on approach to identifying and addressing community-wide issues ensures that needs are met while leveraging a community-based strategy that taps into an even broader network of expertise. Our Grant Committee works diligently to align funding with community needs to create lasting change. I am incredibly proud and humbled to be part of an organization that contributes to life-changing solutions.”

Stephanie Pezeshkan
NCEF Grant Committee Chair

2014

Invested \$1.5MM in Immokalee
Boys & Girls Club

2015

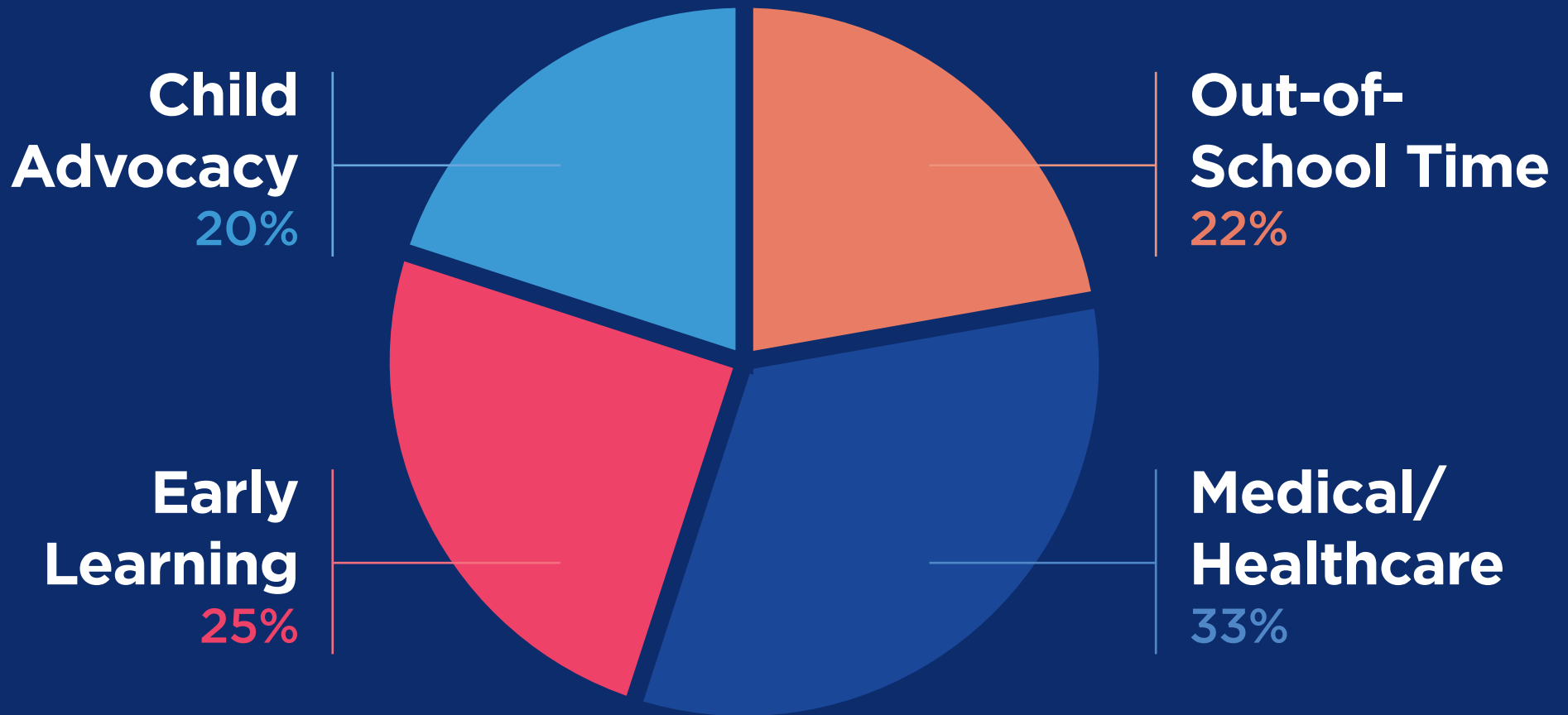
Developed Stopwatch Program
to Access Public School Data

2017

Conducted Third NCEF Study of
Child Wellbeing

NCEF strategically invests in organizations
that serve children within

FOUR SERVICE CATEGORIES



2018

Expanded Vision Initiative to
Pediatricians' Offices

2019

Created NCEF Blueprint
Partner Program

2020

Established First Early Childhood
Court in Collier County

THE RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Child Advocacy

In Collier County, there is a substantial number of children who endure Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and require significant trauma-informed intervention to recover health and maintain their academic and social progress. Interventions for the most vulnerable children include providing emergency shelter, case management, mental health counseling, legal advocacy, basic needs and more.

Nearly 179,000 vulnerable children have been provided with advocates, giving each child a voice when they otherwise would not have the ability to stand up for their needs.

2021

Launched Collier CARES App

Early Learning

Communities where all children enter kindergarten ready to learn are best positioned to thrive in the 21st century. Expert panels determined kindergarten readiness is more than just knowing ABCs and 123s. It is about developing the whole child, including what it takes to promote social and emotional growth so that our youth can not only read and write but work well with others, have their curiosity engaged and develop creative problem-solving skills—all of which are necessary for success in the 21st-century workforce.

Over 63,000 high-risk children ages 6 months to 5 years entered school with more learning tools by attending high-quality early childhood education programs.

2022

Conducted Fourth NCEF Study of Child Wellbeing

Medical/ Healthcare

Access to medical care is critical for rural and low-income communities within Collier County. Barriers such as awareness, transportation and access to health care can make it difficult for children and families to receive the critical care they need. Primary care is critical to maintaining positive health. Through routine check-ups, primary care professionals are often the first to see early signs of disease, behavioral health issues and other health concerns in children.

Over 104,000 children have received medical and healthcare services that promote healthy living.

2022

Invested \$1MM into Hurricane Ian Relief

Out-of-School Time

Within Collier County, there was a significant gap in out-of-school time (OST) program services, particularly for students in Immokalee.

Unsupervised after-school hours and unoccupied weekends can lead to experimentation and dangerous behavior. However, the need for OST programs reaches far beyond providing a safe environment. Without the additional time and resources for academic support (including summer when the learning loss of children from poverty far exceeds that of their peers), their opportunity for success is diminished. All students can learn; time and resources are the key.

Over 165,500 children have received the tools and services they need for academic success through enriching after-school and summer programs.

A Unique Approach for Success

NCEF's unique approach, which emphasizes collaboration between organizations and bridges public and private resources, has become a blueprint for how to transform a community, one issue at a time. Working creatively with other private or public charitable entities, NCEF has established seven major Strategic Initiatives using the Blueprint Model.

The Blueprint Partners included within the NCEF Strategic Initiatives exemplify the highest levels of efficacy and accountability. Blueprint Partners collaborate to optimize funding and develop innovative programs to deliver high-quality programs and services.



2024

Re-Opened NCEF Early Childhood Development Center

2024

Funded First-Ever School-Based Healthcare Services Program with Healthcare Network

2024

Rolled Out Vision Initiative Mobile Exam Vehicle

Creating Positive Outcomes

Our 7 Strategic Initiatives

Working creatively with other private or public charitable entities including local nonprofits, local colleges, universities and other foundations, NCEF has established seven major Strategic Initiatives to holistically address the many challenges facing children and young people.

Early Learning

This multi-faceted initiative for children, from birth to 5 years old, enhances teacher quality, access and affordability of education-focused care—components that research deemed deficient in Collier County.

Total Funding Since 2008: \$29,765,340

Partners: ABLE Academy, Early Learning Coalition of SWFL, Early Literacy & Learning Model (ELLM), Guadalupe Center, Pathways Early Education Center of Immokalee and Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA)

Number of Children Served: Nearly 50,000 children have been educated through high-quality early childhood education programming since the inception of this initiative

Myra

College isn't usually an option for children who come from families working in the agricultural labor force, especially when making ends meet is a day-to-day challenge. But Myra's innate drive to succeed was evident from an early age despite her family's lack of financial resources. Enrolled at RCMA as an infant, she credits the program with helping her learn not just English, but better Spanish, which gave her an advantage among her peers. As she grew, tutoring programs at the Guadalupe Center and The Immokalee Foundation helped prepare her for success in high school and set her on the path to Florida Gulf Coast University where, as a dual-enrolled student, she graduated with a bachelor's degree in entrepreneurship with the aid of a scholarship from The Immokalee Foundation. She would also go on to become the first—and youngest person—at 21 years old to graduate from FGCU with a master's degree in the same field. Apart from being a founding member of Taste of Immokalee (where she works today as the sales development manager), Myra started her own company, Mexituras, which supports artisans from Mexico through sales of their work.



Looking forward to 2025... →

2025

Establish NCEF Wellness Center in Immokalee

2025

Expanding Integrated Healthcare Systems to Community Pediatricians' Offices

Healthcare

This initiative provides children in need with essential medical and healthcare services that have measurable outcomes and a life-changing impact.

Total Funding Since 2006: \$6,167,646.10

Partners: FSU: College of Medicine, Healthcare Network and University of Florida: College of Medicine

Number of Patient Visits: Over 330,000 pediatric patient visits have been conducted through the Isabel Collier Read Medical Campus in Immokalee and Healthcare Network's Nichols Community Health Center in Golden Gate since the inception of this initiative

Michelle

Like many families raising children in Immokalee, Michelle's parents endured daunting economic hardships, so she knows firsthand the crucial role accessible healthcare can play in the lives of those struggling financially. Luckily, from the time she was born, Michelle received care at the Healthcare Network campuses, including the Isabel Collier Read Campus where she was diagnosed and treated for scoliosis at 11 years old. Safeguarding her overall health, this early and ongoing intervention—made possible by the community's healthcare services—ensured Michelle's well-being throughout her formative years. These experiences fueled her commitment to give back to the community and now, at 25 years old and an FGCU graduate with a degree in public health, Michelle works as NCEF's Vision Initiative Family Liaison at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute.



Hunger

This initiative provides nutritious food to children and their families who struggle with food insecurity, the fear of not knowing where their next meal will come from.

Total Funding Since 2011: \$12,576,498

Partners: Brighter Bites, Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida, Meals of Hope, Midwest Food Bank of Florida, Our Daily Bread Food Pantry and Pan-Florida Challenge

Number of Meals Served: Over 41 million meals have been distributed to children and families in need since the inception of this initiative

Wood

As Haitian immigrants to Golden Gate, Wood and his family rarely knew where their next meal would come from. Like many families grappling with economic hardships in the four-square-mile community designated a "food desert" due to its location, it was difficult to obtain affordable and nutritious food. But at 14 years old, Wood was enrolled in the LEAD program with Grace Place for Children and Families, and thanks to the support his family received through the Harry Chapin Food Bank's partner agency, food insecurity faded away and his spirit was nourished along with his body. To give back, every Friday he would spend the afternoon working in Grace Place's food pantry to ensure others received proper nutrition. Today, the United States Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps cadet is a junior at St. John's University—where his outstanding leadership skills led to an opportunity to study abroad in France—but remains closely connected to the organizations that positively impacted him in Collier County.



Mental Health

Through the integration of primary care and behavioral health services, this initiative aids in identifying and preventing children’s mental health issues.

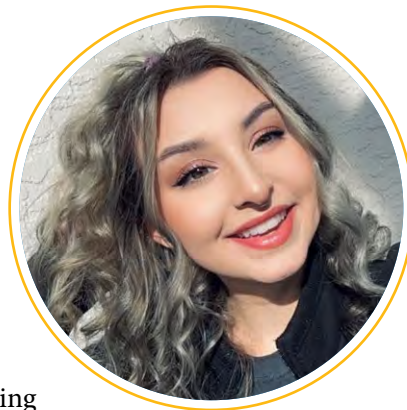
Total Funding Since 2012: \$34,970,496

Partners: David Lawrence Centers, FSU: College of Medicine – Isabel Collier Read Medical Campus, Golisano Children’s Hospital, Healthcare Network and NAMI Collier County

Number of Children Served: Over 85,000 youth have received effective and coordinated mental health services and treatment since the inception of this initiative

Chloe

Facing terrible depression and struggling with feelings of anger and other emotional issues due to childhood trauma, Chloe found relief the only way she knew how—by self-harm through cutting. And, although it temporarily provided a reprieve from the mental anguish she felt, at 13 years old her entire world changed. Following several triggering episodes—and involuntary stays in various crisis units—she was admitted into David Lawrence Centers’ Community Action Team (CAT) wrap-around program. Providing a comprehensive array of individualized mental health services, CAT armed her with invaluable coping mechanisms to understand and combat the emotions and behaviors associated with her particular traumas. And, two years after first walking through the DLC’s doors, Chloe was able to finish high school and earn a nursing degree. Now at 22, happily married and employed in a nursing position, she knows her mental health struggles will never fully go away, but she’s able to address them with positivity and determination.



Oral Health

This Strategic Initiative provides dental care to at-risk and underprivileged children through the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center, Healthcare Network’s Nichols Community Health Center and a mobile sealant and oral health surveillance program.

Total Funding Since 2006: \$20,522,187

Partners: Healthcare Network and University of Florida: College of Dentistry

Number of Dental Visits: Over 195,500 dental visits have been provided by the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center since its doors opened in December 2008

Alexandra

Diagnosed with a host of challenges—from cerebral palsy, diabetes, hypothyroidism, seizure disorder and ADHD to developmental and speech delays, as well as vision issues and daytime sleepiness due to sleep apnea—Alexandra was further challenged by the need for proper dental care. Realizing highly specialized treatment was necessary—including having her dental care take place in an operating room under sedation—the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center has served as the home for Alexandra’s oral health since she was four years old. Fortunately, the center works with Golisano Children’s Hospital where she could receive this type of treatment. In 2022 the center also opened a special “sensory room” to help children like her adapt more comfortably to oral health procedures and exams. Through her own visits to the space, 17-year-old Alexandra’s dental experiences have dramatically improved, and her smile is a testament to the center’s innovative one-on-one approach.



Out-of-School Time

This initiative was developed to provide innovative, groundbreaking programming to close gaps in education during after-school, holiday and summertime hours.

Total Funding Since 2012: \$29,712,883

Partners: Boys & Girls Club of Collier County, Guadalupe Center, Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) and The Immokalee Foundation

Number of Children Served: Over 67,000 children in Immokalee have participated in out-of-school time programs since the inception of this initiative

Cesar

Cesar's childhood was anything but safe, stable and settled. Following the seasons, the family was often on the move to farms in Georgia, Tennessee and the Carolinas where his parents could find work to keep their family fed and together. The transient lifestyle also meant Cesar regularly changed schools which was, to say the least, a challenge to his education.

But during his time in Immokalee, he participated in the Boys & Girls Club Miracle program and, at 8 years old, could already envision a path beyond farm labor. By high school, the early encouragement and support he received led to a dual enrollment at Immokalee Technical College where he was introduced to Florida Gulf Coast University. There, he became a first-generation student and received his Bachelor of Science degree in bioengineering. Now, at 26 years old, he anticipates completing his Ph.D. in biomedical engineering at the University of South Florida in 2025, and currently works as an ocular neuroscience and neuroengineering graduate assistant.



Vision

This initiative ensures children in Collier County's Title I* schools receive professional vision screenings and when medically appropriate, also receive full eye exams and two pairs of glasses (*one for home and school*).

**Title I refers to schools with high numbers or high percentages of children who are disadvantaged.*

Total Funding Since 2012: \$14,291,971

Partners: Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, Florida Lions Eye Clinic and Lighthouse of Collier

Number of Eyeglasses Provided: Over 45,000 pairs of glasses have been provided to children in need since the inception of this initiative

Jeffrey

Born with Peters anomaly, a rare genetic disorder characterized by vision-impairing cloudy patches on the cornea, iris and lens of the eye, as well as congenital glaucoma, Jeffrey's outlook on life was quite literally dim. At five years old he first came to Bascom Palmer Eye Institute for treatment after enduring numerous complications from his diagnosis, including retinal detachments, that required care from specialists. By age nine he needed additional services and began seeing specialists at Lighthouse of Collier where he focused on navigating his impairment through experiences, education and socialization. In the 10 years that have passed since he enrolled in Lighthouse's transitional program, his future is brighter than ever, and he now works there as an assistive technology assistant helping adult clients learn how to live more independently through a variety of new technological devices. Jeffrey is also studying business management at Florida SouthWestern State College with plans to attend University of Central Florida where he will major in computer science with the ultimate goal of becoming a certified Assistive Technology instructor to continue working with Lighthouse of Collier.



A GROWING COMMUNITY HAS GROWING NEEDS



75%

of 4-year-olds are not participating in Voluntary Prekindergarten programs



65%

of Collier County Public Schools students are eligible for free/reduced lunch



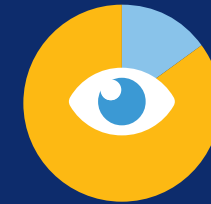
100%

increase in the number of deaths by suicide for Collier County children aged 10-19



80%

of children screened through the NCEF Pediatric Oral Health Initiative experienced tooth decay due to lack of treatment



85%

of Title I students and at-risk children have vision problems that are either undetected or untreated*



65%

of foster care children don't have placement within Collier County

**Title I refers to schools with high numbers or high percentages of children who are disadvantaged.*



Isaiah

EARLY LEARNING

Born prematurely, Isaiah faced several developmental challenges. At two years old he was still non-verbal and had significantly limited motor skills, and during the next two years his struggles with language development and basic tasks—like holding a pencil or feeding himself—seemed insurmountable. Then, just before his fourth birthday, in January 2024, he was enrolled at Fun Time Early Childhood Academy which partnered with the STAR Initiative to devise a comprehensive plan to overcoming these obstacles. Using the ELLM curriculum to help with language development, by May of this year, Isaiah could write his name, feed himself and recognize all the letters in the alphabet.



Julian

HEALTHCARE

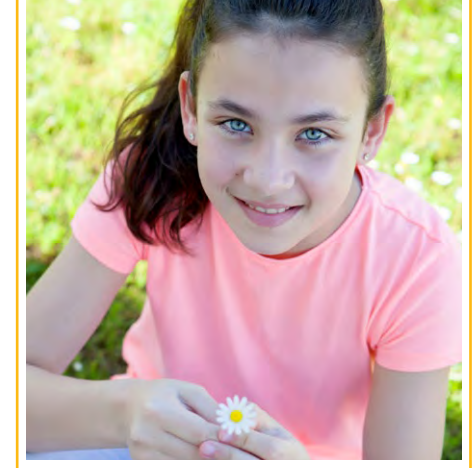
Julian was only three months old—and enrolled at Guadalupe Center for only three weeks—when he was diagnosed with tonic-clonic seizures. After receiving the news, several accommodations were made at the center’s baby room and the teachers were educated in how to handle his epileptic episodes. Now at a year old, Julian is able to meet and exceed his learning and development objectives. And, though he will most likely have setbacks, he is one of the most advanced children for his age in the center and his parents can rest assured he is in a safe, secure and nurturing environment when outside of their care.



Carlos

HUNGER

Carlos was four years old and functioning far below the average for his age when he was welcomed into Pathways Early Education Center of Immokalee. It was evident to the center that his family struggled to meet various needs—including the ability to provide him with proper nutrition—that led to severe food insecurity. But when Midwest Food Bank stepped in, the family’s nutritional needs were met, and Carlos’ academic achievements skyrocketed immediately. And now, just one short year later, he has mastered recognition of the alphabet, letter sounds and vocabulary and is exceeding expectations.



Sarah

MENTAL HEALTH

Struggling with thoughts of suicide from an early age, Sarah was involuntarily held for examination and treatment in sixth grade after attempting to end her life. Soon after, the 12-year-old was brought to the Healthcare Network offices by her mother, where Sarah was diagnosed with generalized anxiety disorder and persistent depressive disorder. Recounting her recent suicide attempts, Sarah revealed she had been bullied in school, which led to feelings of rejection and isolation—and to the belief that death might end her suffering. A comprehensive safety plan was developed to help her combat suicidal thoughts and actions. After treatment, her confidence grew, and she was even inducted into the National Honor Society. Six months after her last session, Sarah shows no significant signs of depression, anxiety or self-harm and is thriving academically and socially.



Avery ORAL HEALTH

A smile is worth a thousand words, and in the case of little Avery the sentiment could not ring truer. At seven years old he was in need of significant dental work, but due to his autism few dentists could accommodate his needs as he struggled to remain calm during cleanings. Then in 2022 his parents found the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center where the team was able to treat Avery for a variety of issues. From multiple tooth restorations and stainless-steel crowns to a fluoride varnish, general cleanings and X-rays, his tolerance for remaining still and ability to cooperate with the technicians and dental professionals has improved dramatically thanks to the implementation of innovative behavior modification and desensitization techniques.



Alana OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME

The sky's the limit for six-year-old Alana despite the tremendous hardships she's experienced in her short life. With her father incarcerated for abuse of a minor and a mother addicted to drugs, she was removed from her home by Florida's Department of Children and Families and placed in foster care. After her parents lost their parental rights, Alana was adopted by her foster mother, who soon reached out to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sun Coast to help as a resource to aid in her daughter's positive growth. And, since their match five months ago, Alana and her new Big Sister have forged a strong bond and enjoy many fun activities together as her confidence and emotional well-being continue to reach new heights.



Sandra VISION

Seeing is believing for 11-year-old Sandra, who was born with an eye condition known as microphthalmia. Starting life with unusually small eye sockets-a defect caused by the rare disorder-she requires a prosthetic to enhance her appearance that needs to be replaced periodically, as she grows, to avoid facial deformities. As a result, her self-esteem also suffered tremendously until she was seen by Bascom Palmer Eye Institute. Not only were they able to replace her prosthesis, but Sandra also received new glasses that greatly increased her confidence. Now she enjoys striking a pose for the camera more than ever before and is thriving in school.



Collier CARES (Community Application for Resources and Emergency Services) is a mobile and web-based platform that connects people in need with critical resources and services available in Collier County.

NCEF joined forces with the Collier Community Foundation and the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation to develop an application that caters to the most vulnerable populations in Collier County, Florida. The app is free, and bilingual, and aims to equip users with essential information about the various resources and services available in the community. NCEF takes pride in collaborating with community leaders, stakeholders and service providers throughout the county to ensure that no family is left without access to help in times of need.





“Guadalupe Center is grateful that NCEF is a stakeholder in our organization.”

“Whether it is the free dental and vision services to our students, professional development for our teaching staff, or connecting us with other nonprofits to provide food and programs to our families, NCEF empowers the Guadalupe Center to deliver a holistic approach to educating our students. NCEF provides more than direct funding, they provide critical resources, collaborative partnerships and creative solutions that break down the barriers that prevent our students from receiving a quality education. And these are all services that we could not afford to provide our students and families without NCEF’s leadership.”

Dawn Montecalvo
President/CEO, Guadalupe Center

Commemorating our Silver Jubilee

NCEF will kick off its 25th Anniversary celebration on January 24-26th at the Naples Winter Wine Festival. Three days of the very best in wine and food; year-round impact for children in need.

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by visiting napleswinefestival.com.*



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online by scanning the QR code or visiting donate.napleswinefestival.com.

Join the Legacy Society

to be remembered for your contribution to the underserved children of Collier County and leave an impact on future generations.

Support our Endowment

with a current gift, pledge or planned gift to ensure NCEF's continued operations and grantmaking activities.

Volunteer

and join the over 300 people who work behind the scenes to help make NCEF and the Festival a success.

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by supporting the online auction with a unique one-of-a-kind package or experience and then bid high and bid often in January at www.fonlineauction.com.

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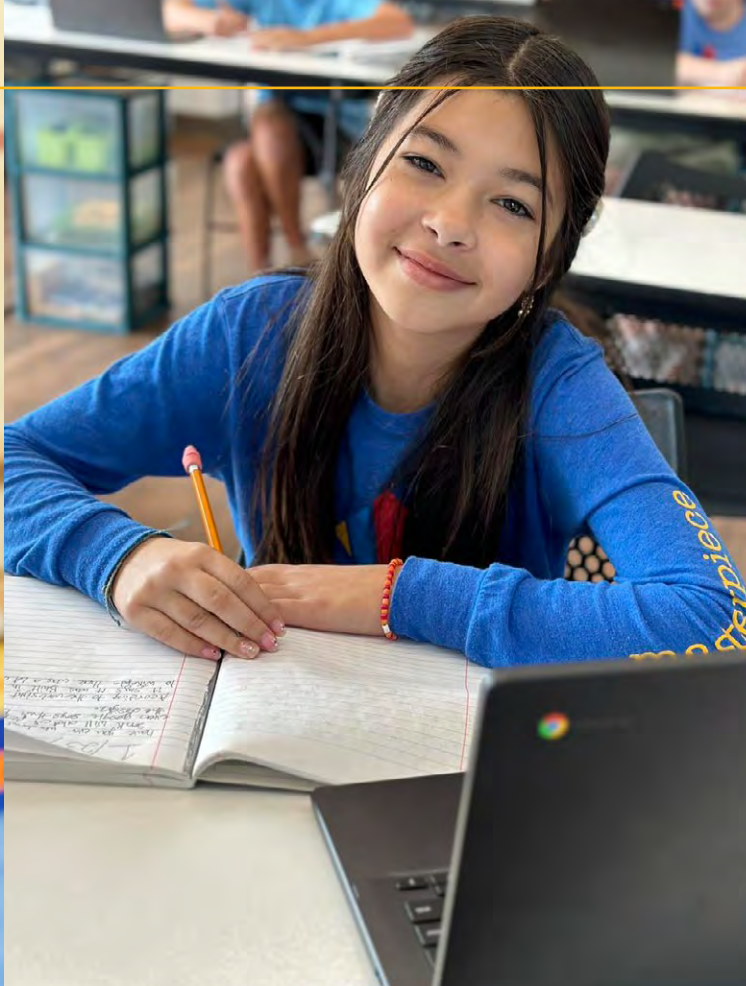
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