

## YOUTH SUCCESS

The Community Fund of Darien's investment in one agency's enrichment & day camp programs and its after-school youth development program with following successes:

- 100% of senior students successfully completed course credit requirements and graduated on-time
- 100% of graduating seniors enrolled in college, trade-school or military
- High school students served: 128
- Middle school students served: 240
- 82% of ALL students received 150 hours of program services
- 93% average daily attendance
- 65% of students qualify for free/reduced lunch status
- Programs facilitated by Norwalk Public School certified teachers

## NORWALK INVESTMENTS

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Financial and Housing Advocacy services helps domestic violence victims who have also experienced economic abuse as a control tactic. With an investment from The Community Fund of Darien:

269 victims received assistance, of which:

- 148 achieved 1 or more financial goals
- 160 achieved one or more housing goals
- 90 achieved 1 or more employment goals
- 82% created a budget
- 53% improved their credit health and credit score
- 41% were able to open a bank account and started saving regularly
- 52% gained employment
- 57% received employment services such as resume building, interview training and effective job searching



# SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

A Family Recovery Coach (FRC) was provided to follow-up after discharge from substance abuse treatment. This helps to prevent relapse and connects those in recovery to assistance they need to become more knowledgeable of recovery pathways and to steady support such as relationship building and assistance in finding meaningful employment.

Additionally, FRC plays a role in helping families recovery alongside their loved one.

- 125 recoverees working with FRC
- Average number of days working with FRC: 17
- Average number of sessions spent working with FRC: 3
- Average number of days recoverees spent enrolled in a Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) program: 31
- Percentage of recoverees working with FRC reduced their substance use: 78.2%

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# MENTAL HEALTH FOR TEENS

The Community Fund of Darien invested in **Teen Talk** programs at Brien McMahon High School and Norwalk High School to provide a master's level counselor, onsite, full-time at each school to provide counseling and preventive education.

Counselors provide crisis safety assessments, private referrals for emergency or higher levels of care, one-on-one and group counseling, family counseling engagement and advocates with/on behalf of students with the school. Between the 2 schools:

- 291 students received individual counseling
- 1,072 individual counseling sessions
- 664 'informal contacts' - 15-minute check-ins
- 266 family contacts
- 23 referrals
- 236 clinical collaborations
- 86 meetings with school officials

