

About Us

We are breaking the poverty cycle by helping those who want to help themselves achieve...

We are excited about our brand new and primary focus! Our Opportunities Now Program works with individuals from businesses and the community to mentor those who are committed to making strategic and long-term life changes. We are here to help those who want to help themselves and have committed an entire department, refocused past objectives and activities, and are partnering with other agencies, businesses and schools/colleges to participate in the success of changing lives. This is not a quick-fix and is accomplished by providing every participant with intensive case management and hands-on, interactive involvement by a committed, personally matched Mentor.

Who Becomes A Part Of Opportunities Now?

Individuals who are willing to do whatever it takes to succeed. This may include:

- Committed to entering or completing an educational track such as High School, GED, Training Certificate, Technical School or College
- Getting a job
- Getting a better job



How Is Opportunities Now Involved?

Individuals who are interested or referred to this program must be income eligible and qualify for government assistance. The first step is to complete the application to determine overall need and commitment for optimal success. They must sign a contract agreeing to:

- Intensive Case Management
- One-on-One Mentoring
- Career and Interest Testing to help the participants identify careers that are most suited for their future
- Identifying and assisting with obtaining qualified support. This includes housing, food stamps and Medicaid
- Life Skills Training Workshops
- Financial Counseling and Credit Report

How Can You Help?

- Become a Supporting Partner of Opportunities Now with a contribution of \$2,500 or more!
- Serve as a Mentor
- Serve as a Tutor
- Provide Internship Opportunities
- Become a Hiring Partner of our graduates
- Sponsor Tuition Support for our participants
- Donate full or partial scholarships at a childcare facility
- Host a Life Skills Workshop
- Donate Clothing
- Donate Computers, Printers, Equipment and/or Office & School Supplies

What Is Required By Participants Of Opportunities Now?

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- Attend monthly Life Skills training courses
- Communicate weekly with Case Manager and/or Mentor
- Submit all grades as earned or progress evaluations
- Participate in tutoring as determined by Mentor
- Complete 1 Hour of community service for every \$100 of assistance received or as determined by Mentor.



Our Mission

To help individuals and families break the cycle of poverty and achieve their greatest potential.



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Opportunities Now



Program Principles

- Goal Setting & Strategic Thinking
- Accountability
- Financial Literacy
- Professional Development
- Asset Building
- Development of Parenting

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