YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER

With the support of the Immediate Needs Grant for our Youth and Family Center, we were able to add additional case management along with prosocial activities and programming. The funding provided our ability to maintain COVID-19 protocol while continuing to meet the needs of the youth in our community. Below are the outcome and data during the funding period of 2021.











Ethnicity_



Program Data

 40 youth engaged in our music program and 9 of them gained school credits over the summer and fall of 2021.



287 individual lessons were provided to youth served by The Matthews House



Backpacking trip



Talent Show where eight students performed

- 24 different opportunities in Experiential Education program activities offered with over 1,720 visits
- 3 backpacking trips were hosted during the summer, serving 13 youth between the ages of 14-20. The youth were supplied with all necessary equipment, food, and transportation.

"I've grown from this trip because it was something I didn't think I could do, with all the hiking and a heavy pack, but now knowing that I can do it makes me think I can do more things." -Backpacking participant





"My biggest challenge was hiking with the backpack on but I overcame it because the group helped me to push forward." -Backpacking participant

Statistics:

- 72% of youth increased knowledge of independent living and social skills moving towards self sufficiency.
- Mental Health: 61% of youth's mental health concerns occasionally or more often interfere with daily living.
- 71% of youth can identify a minimum of three healthy, sustainable supports.





