

# WRAPAROUND MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division - Child & Adolescent Services Branch

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## Celebrating Success!

**Success Stories:** *"Teamwork makes the dream work." -Bang Gae*



Shared by La Causa

### Joanna

Joanna is an older youth who is doing extremely well in her new home. She is currently placed with her grandfather and has been with him since October of 2017.

Joanna continues to make tremendous progress in all facets of her life, including social, emotional, and academic growth. Joanna's Grandfather has been impressed by the continued positive growth and progress in the areas of attitude, focus, and perseverance. Joanna has remained dedicated to continuing her high school education and has progressed from the home-school set up that was initially implemented due to behavior. She is now attending weekly at the school, where she receives individualized support to assist her with credit recovery. In addition, Joanna has remained employed at a local farm and has been afforded an increase in hours due to her great work ethic and reliability. Joanna has been thinking about her future and has worked with her Grandfather to contact Oak Creek Municipal Courts, to find a viable solution to satisfy numerous tickets; all in hopes of being able to obtain her driver's license. She continues to save her employment income, putting some toward her past tickets and fines, as well as seeking out community service opportunities to also assist with deferring some of the costs. She has enrolled in a driver's education course and is participating in online learning modules to obtain her permit. Although not required, but highly recommended by her team, Joanne was enrolled in the On The Right Track Retail Theft Program through UWM's Continuing School of Education, which she successfully completed on February 17, 2018. Joanna's grandfather also attended the class in support of Joanna and he has shared with the team that she was very active in the class, including contributing to discussions, answering questions, and thinking critically with regards to the topics discussed.

It is important to note, Joanna disclosed to the team that she had stopped taking her medication upon arriving at her Grandfather's home; and felt that she was doing well without it. After consultation with her doctor, Joanne discontinued medication and continues to make progress daily. Behaviors that were seen in the past have not been present at her new placement, i.e. acting out behaviors, stealing from retailers and family members, running away/missing.

The team is extremely proud of Joanna's progress thus far and look forward to seeing continued growth in the months to come!

*\*Names changed to protect confidentiality.*

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**Positive Recognition:** *"There is no greater joy nor greater reward than to make a fundamental difference in someone's life." - Mary Rose McGeady*

### Teiyjsa King — St. Charles

**Nominated by Dana James, Wraparound Administration**

Teiyjsa had a difficult situation occur in February that she handled with seriousness and integrity. She ensured that everyone that needed to be informed was informed and kept everyone in the loop consistently. She went above and beyond with ensuring safety and fairness for the youth she is serving. I appreciate that when she was asked to do something, she did so without hesitation and did so in the timeliest fashion. Her passion for those she serves was evident in this situation. Nice work Teiyjsa, keep it up!

**Theresa Dawson & Staff — La Causa**

**Nominated by Damon Manns—Owen's Place**

Owen's Place and I would like to send a special "Shout Out" to La Casa and their very own Theresa Dawson for letting Owen's Place host their wonderful "Chili Chat". Theresa provided everyone in attendance with a delicious meal of chili and nachos, and if you were bold enough, "chili nachos". The chat was also very informative. We had Mr. Brown from Aids Resource Center of Milwaukee/ARCW chatting with our young adults about the prevention of STIs/STDs. He even provided us with some goodies. It was awesome to see the collaboration of these two agencies to hold such an awesome event. I can't wait to see what you have in store for us next Theresa! Thanks again!



Causa Staff at Owen's Place, hosting the "Chili Chat" in partnership with ARCW (La

Want to recognize someone for their great work? Submit a Positive Recognition Form, so we can give them a shout out!

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## Upcoming Events & Community Highlights:

### Featured Community Resources:

#### 2018 Talent Show

It's that time of year again! Mark your calendars for our 2018 Talent Show! This year's show will be held on May 23. Rehearsals for the show are back on April 4, and each Wednesday thereafter. If any youth are interested in participating, contact Jessica Hurlebaus at [Jessica.hurlebaus@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:Jessica.hurlebaus@milwaukeecountywi.gov)

#### The Healing Center

<https://www.aurorahealthcare.org/healing-advocacy-services>

As one of only a few treatment programs in the country that's part of a health system, Aurora Health Care helps survivors get more of the services they need from a single source. We offer emergency care, counseling, emotional support and forensic nursing. Our providers work together to help survivors receive the individualized care and services they need to feel whole again. Our services are making a positive and lasting impact: Many survivors reclaim joy and peace of mind. A safe haven for survivors; access to help any time you need it. They are a caring voice and an open door. There is support for Spanish speaking survivors.

#### Wellness Wednesdays



**WELLNESS WEDNESDAY**

**Washington High School | 6:00 - 8:00PM**  
2525 N Sherman Blvd, Milwaukee, WI 53210  
**April 25th: HIP HOP • HEALTHY COOKING DEMO • & MORE!**  
**June 23rd: SOUL LINE DANCING • HIP HOP • WATER AEROBICS • HEALTHY COOKING DEMO**

**Obama High School | 6:00 - 8:00PM**  
5075 N Sherman Blvd, Milwaukee, WI 53209  
**May 30th: HIP HOP • DODGEBALL • & MORE!**

Free Drop In Program  
Family Classes & Programs for Ages 6+  
Free Healthy Snacks

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At each Wellness Wednesday, there will be resource tables covering health related topics, including information on Wraparound Milwaukee Programming.

#### GRiD MKE by Aptology



As a current or former foster youth, trying to navigate the world as you prepare to live on your own can be stressful and frightening. Do you know what resources are available to you and how can you access them? GRiD MKE is the solution. Our app will help guide you with your needs for community, education, health, housing, and income in Milwaukee County and Greater Milwaukee Area. For more information, please check out the link: <https://appadvice.com/app/grid-mke/1164680928>

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#### Wraparound Milwaukee Vision:

To help build healthy and strong communities by enhancing children and families' ability to meet life's challenges and to foster resiliency and hope for a better future.

