

#### A Note From a Friend



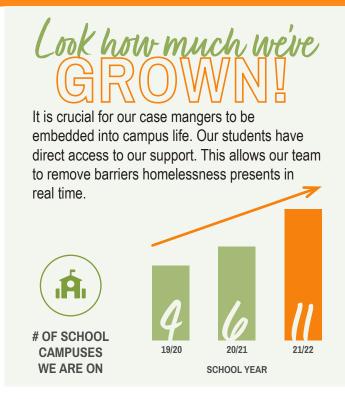
#### Friends,

Many of you, like me, have children enjoying a summer full of activities that don't include a classroom. It's during this time that some of our kids' most meaningful life experiences happen. Unfortunately, while some kids are having fun at camp, doing pier jumps, or exploring the great outdoors, for youth experiencing homelessness, summer is a season of significant instability. With school out, the safe setting of the classroom is no longer available for our students. As a result, the "summer slide" will inevitably find them behind academically and socially when they return to the classroom this fall.

Fortunately, you are changing that! Together, we are bringing a hope-filled summer to the children, youth, and families of Project Hope Alliance! Our mighty team has been filling in the experiential gaps that homelessness creates in their summers. Because of you, we can take our kids to sleepaway camp for the 1st time, visit museums, head to the beach, kayak, and experience a fun, engaged, and hope-filled summer! In addition, we've got summer tutoring, book clubs, and academic enrichment to keep them on track.

To you, we are eternally grateful for your support in removing the barriers of homelessness and giving the words "schools out for summer" a meaning of joy for all of our kids!

For the Kids, Jennifer Friend, CEO



#### M E E TOURS PHA'S NEW INDIVIDUAL GIFTS OFFICER



Chris is dedicated to helping you create impact for youth experiencing homelessness with your support. There are countless ways to make an impact at PHA, from individual gifts, Donor Advised Funds, planned estate gifts, matching gifts, and more. Chris' role is to assist you

with any of your giving needs or questions. Together we can break the generational cycle of homelessness.

Reach out to Chris: cfarewell@projecthopealliance.org



# FROM A MOTEL TO A

Matt is a student who just graduated from high school. Throughout school, he never had a stable living environment, always bouncing from motel room to motel room with his family. When he began high school, he was

on track to graduate, but during the pandemic, he lost motivation in school, his grades dropped, and he started hanging out with the wrong crowd. When he returned to in-person class as a junior, his PHA Case Manager connected him with counseling resources, a tutor, and a mentor. Matt got back on track, and was accepted into Cal State Fullerton. He received enough financial aid to cover room and board, and is moving into the dorms this August. For the first time in his life, he will have a stable place to sleep every night.

We have 5 students like Matt who are moving into college dorms this August! Can you help us get them move-in ready? Email us at **volunteer@projecthopealliance.org** to learn how!



Our work does not end when school does! Project Hope Alliance Case Managers have a summer full of engaging, enriching, and fun summer activities for all of our students!



We took 20 kids from Santa Ana to the beach. For 17 of them, this was their first trip to the beach!

### PROJECT HOPE ALLIANCE MMWW ACTIVITIES

**Beach Days** 

**Movie Days** 

**College Tours** 

**Camp on Catalina** 

**Island** 

**Hiking the Back Bay** 

**Book Clubs** 

**Math Camps** 

**Skateboard Camps** 

Discovery

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**Angels Game** 

**Long Beach Aquarium** 

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