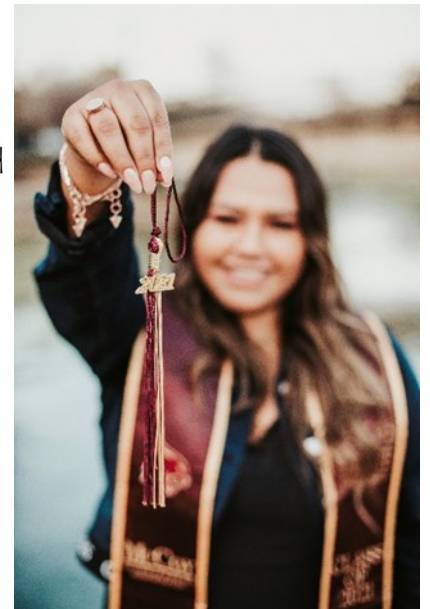




My name is Erica Silva. I lived at the CM Allen Homes over ten years ago and I had the opportunity to be a part of the KAD program. I occasionally stop by to visit Bonnie and to check in on her. The KAD program made a big impact in my life. I would regularly come to have the lunch served after school and to hang out with other kids from the community. During my time living at CM Allen, my parents were still struggling financially, and we didn't have a computer at home. Therefore, I would come use the ones here at the facility to do homework or to work on any school projects that I needed to get done. Furthermore, there were constantly college students available to tutor and to help with any homework we had. I also had the opportunity to go on different field trips with the program and helped with different volunteering events, like Meals on Wheel, and visiting different nursing homes. KAD also helped our family start the community garden we had in front of apartment 200, which became one of the sweetest memories I made during my childhood years. Overall, I believe that KAD is a great program that can impact the lives of many children and young adults. It definitely made an impact in my life.

What is going on in my life now? Well, I recently graduated from Texas State University this past Fall with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management and a minor in Economics. I am now a mother of a four year-old boy, so going back to school full-time and working was definitely a challenge, but I achieved my goal. I currently work in a management position in retail, but I am looking for a job that better aligns with my goals and aspirations.

Bonnie Pecina [the service coordinator at CM Allen] is a wonderful human being, always willing and ready to help in any way she can. She was and continues to be very helpful. I am thankful for the opportunity to have been a part of the KAD program and I cherish all the memories that I made in my time there.



ALLEN WOODS HOMES — PODER LEARNING CENTER

Little Engineers

We have been working with the San Marcos ISD to help our children in the after-school program receive additional education to give them a boost in school!

We also create fun activities indoors and outdoors to engage our children physically and mentally. Here, our kiddos had to put their brains together to construct bridges for vehicles to cross. Our little engineers learned the difficulties in building a complex structure, and the fun reward of overcoming those challenges. If you wish to sign up your child/children, please contact Matt at 512-396-3367.



The PODER Learning Center hosted a Valentine's Day breakfast for the residents of Allen Woods. Attendees got to enjoy waffles made by Mr. Matt, coffee, and sweets, all while enjoying each other's company.

Springtown Villa

MOVIE DAY at STV is very special. Sometimes we just grab an old favorite that stirs up fond memories from the past. Other times we get to see a movie recommended by our friends that we have never seen before. We can learn a lot about our friends by the movies they like to watch.



Valentine's Day occurs on February 14 in the U. S. and other places around the world, candy, flowers and gifts are exchanged between loved ones, in the name of St. Valentine. This day of love is celebrated in many ways, it is always exciting to see what new traditions are created every year. It is a holiday we all can enjoy!



C. M. ALLEN HOMES — KAD KORNER STORE



Kappa Delta Chi is an organization that values the unity, honesty, integrity, and leadership of its members. They are respectable women who help in the community not only by volunteering but also setting an example for the youth. KΔΧ (in Greek letters) has supported our after-school program for many years. It is their pride and pleasure to help further the education of our kids through mentoring as well as tutoring.

We are grateful to Miranda Walker from the Hays County Food Bank for the healthy and nutritious meal she taught us to make. About eight residents got to enjoy a pasta and vegetable dish. Don't miss the next class! They are held on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 1 PM.



Valentine's Day Party

We had a great party at the KAD Center. Former SMHA Commissioner and current



President of San Marcos Academy, Brian Guenther, sponsored this event. Sixteen residents joined us for Valentine Bingo and a delicious potluck meal.



Thank you San Marcos Academy students for volunteering in our after-school program. They bring lots of energy for the kids. Our intern Christy arranged this new support for our kids. In this picture, one of the kids is getting her nails done and she was so happy about it!

CHAPULTEPEC HOMES & ADULT LEARNING CENTER

Shout out to the incredible volunteers from our *Social Work in the Community* volunteers for bringing along fun new activities such as these bubble guns!



The Valentines Day party was a blast! Thank you to the kids, parents and volunteers who contributed to make sure it was a special day!



In case you didn't hear us on Friday, drum lessons have begun! The instructor, Xander, has been teaching yoga and drumming lessons at a local Rescare center for several years. Be sure to send your kids to join us each Friday until late April! The program will be from 3:45 — 4:45 PM. Parents are welcome to stay while their kids participate in the lessons. The class is designed for elementary ages and six participants at a time, but all ages are welcome to stop by and try it out!



MARCH EVENTS:

3/16 - RBFCU Financial Literacy Class

3/31 - Food Wise Class

(Classes begin at 6 PM)



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