



Family Self Sufficiency Program Graduates



I moved into this program in 2019, with my kids and my husband. We had nothing to very little to live on. I was the only one working because my husband is disabled. In this program I learned to save, built my credit and earned my C.N.A. I became very independent through this program. My children were also blessed, they were often invited to activities, which they attended, and it made them better kids. I leave the program happy because I have learned a lot and my kids have grown to appreciate all they were offered. I am forever thankful for my friend, Hannah who introduced me to this program, she once lived here too. Thank you for never giving up on me. You all helped me build my dreams and I will definitely stay in touch and will recommend this program to as many as possible, Thank you.

Linda Mills

Congratulations!

Starting the FSS Program, I came in not knowing a lot and many times I had to be educated on what I needed to do to complete the program. Tears/frustration were a part of my journey. I wanted to complete the program quick and move on to my next adventure. It takes time to build credit, to stay working at a job consistently. As time went on, I was able to reach my goals and complete different programs that I never knew I could achieve. I am happy to be done and I glad that I have been working consistently. I am thankful for everyone who helped guide me at this point in my life.

Elizabeth Cervantez



Thank you!! To all the volunteers that helped in getting furniture to 76

households. Nick Rodriguez, Sigma Lambda Beta, Escobar Family, Peter, Octavio & Emma Diaz, Claudia, Ernesto, and Resident Services Dept.

ALLEN WOODS HOMES — PODER LEARNING CENTER

Registration Forms

Available for the

After School Program

Mon-Thurs 3:30pm-5:30pm

Grades 1st-12th

Teen Night-April 23rd

6pm-7pm

**We want to welcome our
new sponsors!**

Humana,

R&L Ministries,

and Allan Schneider

Check PODER's monthly calendar for
scheduled activities.



Hearty Nourishment



Pictured above (left) Tina Valdez demonstrates how to
prepare a healthy smoothie.

Marianne Reese (right) talks to our residents about the
importance of taking care of ourselves.



The **Afterschool Program** welcomes
Pastor Linda Machado and her love
for Jesus, kids and arts n crafts.



Grisell Perez-Carey, Community Resource and
Engagement Coordinator with the City of San
Marcos visited PODER to request Allen Woods
residents' input for phase two of the City of
San Marcos' budget.



**Resident
Closet**

Open during
office hours.



Upcoming Events: Afterschool Program
students will have an Easter
Egg Hunt at Springtown Villa
on Thursday, April 17th
at 4:30pm



SPRINGTOWN VILLA



Valentine's Day - Thank you to Lisa with Salvation Army, Melissa and Lourdes with United Health Care for making our Valentine's Day a special one.

Dance Class



TXST Students are offering these classes to help with strength, balance, and coordination. **Fridays @ 11am**

Nutrition Class



Tanner Patschke
April 16th @ Noon

Need Assistance with resources or services reach out to Dave your Resident Services Coordinator!!

512-353-7343

Bible



New to STV:
Bible Study Tuesdays at 11:30 with Pastor Linda Machado

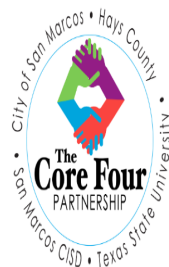
Study

Food Pantry



Thank you to Ms. Janie Perez for your service in organizing the food pantry for our residents. We appreciate you!

April 2nd & 16th @ 11am



C.M. Allen - KAD CENTER

Jan 2025

To start the year, we did vision boards and had a movie night! A huge Thank you to HEB and to our Texas State students that came to speak to our students about college Thank you !



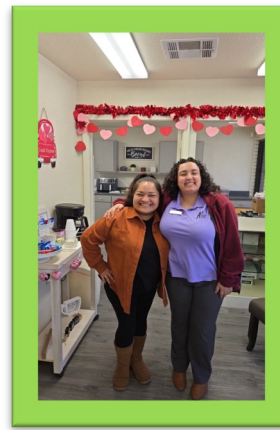
February

We learned about affirmations and using nice words. We had a fun time at our Valentines Party! KAD Closet was such a blessing to many!



March

We were able to help our residents with furniture. Thank you to our amazing volunteers, you are the true MVP!



Family engagement night is on **April 23rd**. Its free to our families. Snacks and supplies will be provided. A sign up sheet will be provided.



A Huge Thank You to all of our sponsors!

HEB , Gils Fried Chicken , Texas Roadhouse,
A+ Federal Credit Union, Sigma Lambda Betas
Kappa Delta Chi, Cadena Trucking,
Bath & Body Works , Sew Many Scrunchies

CHAPULTEPEC HOMES & LEARNING CENTER



For our Chapultepec Youth - Resident Services has been partnering with The **Core Four** to promote Positive Youth Development through youth led events. These events are usually for 6th - 12th graders. We would like to meet with you and your youth to discuss these opportunities. I invite you to join us on Thursday, April 10th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Chapultepec Learning Center. We will serve lite refreshments. I hope to see you there.



Resident Services will host a bingo for Chapultepec Moms.

May 8th 6:30-7:30 pm at the Chapultepec Learning Center



Coping Skills Class
Thursday, April 17th
Chapultepec Learning Center (CLC)
2:00 to 3:30 pm



Chapultepec Resident Council Meeting

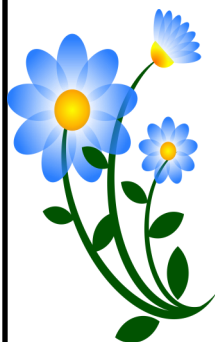
May 22, 2025 from 7-8 pm
Chapultepec Learning Center



To PIB Church - Primera Iglesia Bautista
Thank you so much for the Food Paks, gifts and donations you offered our residents at Chapultepec.



Farmer Fred's Garden Spring Carnival
Thursday, April 17th 6pm - 9 pm
City Park, 170 Charles Austin Dr. SMTX



Notes from Resident Services

If you need help in getting necessary supportive services in the community, please contact your Resident Services Coordinator:

Allen Woods – Lila Castillo 512-396-3367
 CM Allen – Barbara Montana 512-392-6273
 Springtown Villa– Dave Hamm 512-353-7343
 Chapultepec – Maribel Reyes (512)396-3364



In our community



Resident Services provided a gift basket at the **Do you know...Awareness Session** held at Mendez Elementary. A newcomer family was happy to have won the basket.

Resident Councils

Locations:
 Allen Woods, C.M. Allen, Chapultepec, and Springtown Villa

•Work to improve residents' quality of life and satisfaction and to create a positive living environment.

We hope you consider joining. For information on your Resident Council contact your Resident Services Coordinator.

LEADERSHIP	HOUSING OFFICES	RESIDENT SERVICES
Board of Commissioners Jessica Urbizu - Chairperson Tamara Thompson - Vice Chair Ramika Adams - Board Member Samantha Huls - Board Member Ashley Schwandt - Resident Board Member Lana Wagner - Executive Director <i>Commissioners meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 PM.</i>	Allen Woods Homes (Main Office) 512-353-5059 CM Allen Homes 512-353-1116 Chapultepec Homes 512-396-3364 Housing Choice Voucher 512-353-5061 Springtown Villa 512-396-3363	Chapultepec Adult Learning Center Family Self-Sufficiency 512-396-3364 CM Allen KAD Korner Store 512-392-6273 Allen Woods PODER Learning Center 512-396-3367 Springtown Villa 512-353-7343