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**Enterprise Holdings Foundation Donates \$1,000.00 to Archway Programs**

*Archway Programs receives donation for Youth Partial Care Programs*

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**SEWELL, NEW JERSEY** (May 21, 2018) – The Enterprise Holdings Foundation has donated \$1,000.00 to Archway Programs for the children served in both Partial Care Services Youth Programs, HOPE and DISCOVER. The Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Enterprise Holdings, which, through its integrated global network of independent regional subsidiaries and franchises, operates the Enterprise Rent-A-Car, National Car Rental and Alamo Rent A Car brands.

Children in the Partial Care Services Youth Programs, HOPE (Help, Optimism, Preparation, Empowerment) and DISCOVER (Direction, Improvement, Structure, Creativity, Oversight, Vision, Encouragement, Reward) are between the ages of five and eighteen with behavior and/or emotional concerns that interfere with their daily living. Kids in both programs live at or below poverty line and often times their families or caretakers have limited resources for necessities such as shelter, food, clothing and transportation. The HOPE and DISCOVER Programs provide youth with a safe, consistent, structured and caring environment as Archway Programs' staff discovers their individual strengths and the children overcome their deficits through coping and social skills.

After attending school all day, these kids come to the HOPE and DISCOVER Programs for additional support. They are kept safe while receiving additional care on the average of three to five hours each day. Some of these children have a long drive from school to program and another long drive back home once program ends at 8:30 p.m. They are facing serious issues and sometimes once they finally get to program they are not only exhausted but also feeling overwhelmed and need a break from the group room setting. If a child or teen is having trouble and can't positively participate in group, "chill out" is encouraged until they are able to calm down.

With the donation from the Enterprise Holdings Foundation, Partial Care Services staff will be able to set up a "chill station" in each of the five group rooms to promote therapeutic, self-calming strategies and help nurture a sense of relaxation and healing. Adding the "chill stations" will provide students with a positive, safe place to give them a mental break to re-focus and calm down so they can return back to their group setting. This will allow the students to briefly get time away but still be in the same room under observation.



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The “chill stations” will be located in a quiet area of the room which will consist of a small table with a chair and bean bag equipped with soothing materials to promote self-calming strategies for students to use when they are frustrated, upset or overwhelmed with the day-to-day challenges they are facing. This will assist students in handling their emotions to prevent and/or improve any negative behaviors.

“The HOPE and DISCOVER Programs couldn’t be more grateful for the generosity from Enterprise Holdings Foundation. Dozens of children will benefit from this donation as staff assists them on improving their behaviors and facing life’s challenges,” said Ashlee Battle, Archway Programs’ Partial Care Services Director.



*Children in the Partial Care Services Youth Program, HOPE (Help, Optimism, Preparation, Empowerment), are between the ages of five to twelve years old. The children are holding a sign which reads, “Thank You. You are making a difference and creating a positive impact in the lives of others.”*



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*Children in the Partial Care Services Youth Program, DISCOVER (Direction, Improvement, Structure, Creativity, Oversight, Vision, Encouragement, Reward), are between the ages of twelve to eighteen. The kids are holding a sign which reads, "Thank You. You are making a difference and creating a positive impact in the lives of others."*

**For more information on Archway Programs, visit [www.archwayprograms.org](http://www.archwayprograms.org).**

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***About Archway Programs***

*Since 1965, Archway Programs has been meeting the individualized needs of thousands of families throughout the state of New Jersey. Archway Programs is a diverse, non-profit, human services organization which includes approved private schools for students with disabilities in addition to several model programs providing unmatched services. Built on a solid foundation of core values, providing safety, possessing compassion and promoting individuality, Archway Programs strives to improve the life of every individual served. Our goal is to ensure that each individual's needs are met and customized services are provided and partnered with passionate, committed and talented professionals in a safe environment. Over 440 individuals are currently employed by Archway Programs and this dedicated and talented staff provides services to over 1,800 children and adults requiring individualized care. Please visit [www.archwayprograms.org](http://www.archwayprograms.org) for more information.*



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