

Here's how STAR changed our lives



"The STAR program really motivated me to not only set goals, but to meet my goals. My first goal was to refresh my computer skills. On top of that, train for job readiness. The program also motivated me to further my education. Even though I'm a Certified Nursing Assistant, I thought to myself that I can back to college and further my education in the health field. I will be attending the community college in January to study phlebotomy."

"I was one of eight students to win a computer at graduation. The instructors are not only there to teach you about computers; they are also there to let you know not to give up on your future. Strive for the best and be the best. Be dedicated, motivated and confident. Anything is possible when you put your mind to it."

LaShaunda Clark

"I have worked at Forum Health Care as a Data Entry Clerk for the past 2 years, and I know that I never would have been able to accomplish this without the training I received at STAR's Employment Training Program. I plan to continue my career in the medical field."

"One of the best things that has happened to me has been buying my own home. And last, but not least, I feel that I am a better role model for my children who see their mother applying herself and committing to completing a goal."

Buffy Jones with daughters Jessica and Katrina



"When I first started working at Magnolia Manor (then the Brian Center) 11 years ago, I was an Assistant Cook in the dietary department. I am now the Purchasing Agent, in charge of Central Supply where I order all of the supplies on-line. I have passed all 5 classes to become a Certified Medical Assistant and will soon complete the Medical Decoding Program."

"And this all started from taking the STAR classes. They helped me to see myself as a valuable person, and the computer skills helped me get to where I am now. Thank you very much."

Michelle Carrol