

SPRING IMPACT REPORT 2018

Every day, your support allows our youth to take steps to become their best. Not just in the classrooms, but as individuals who care about their peers, their community and the world around them. In this impact report, you'll read three examples of how your generosity empowered these individuals to make good decisions, advocate for each other and take action. **Thank you for all that you do.**



A LEADER IN THE MAKING

Joseph started DREAM's REAL Kids after-school program in first grade. He was usually loving and cheery, but when Joseph got frustrated or overwhelmed, he lost control and lashed out in front of his teammates and coaches. So REAL Kids staff and social workers spent hours, day after day, with Joseph and his family to help them understand his needs. DREAM never gave up on him.

Today, Joseph is in 3rd grade and a leader on his team, The Pandas. His coaches only have wonderful things to say about him. "Joseph is a star player on our team. He shows effort, enthusiasm, and teamwork, every day," shared Coach Justina.

A DISCO FOR ALL

For Autism Awareness Month, Janaé and Souwadou watched a video in class about how autistic people experience sensory overload. It got them thinking about their classmate, Angel, who didn't come out to school dances because of that same sensory overload. They decided to take action and find a way to include Angel in a school dance. During lunch, they researched silent discos, where each person gets a set of headphones and dances to their own music. They will plan together to pitch it to the student government in hopes of making their classmate and friend Angel feel welcome at the next school dance. Good luck, Janaé and Souwadou!



DREAM HIGH SCHOOL GOES TO D.C.

In March, 60 DREAM ninth graders joined their peers from all over the country in our nation's capital to participate in the March For Our Lives. Before the march, our students and staff had the chance to tour George Washington University and meet with a representative from New York Senator Chuck Schumer's office.

Finally, it was time to march. On Saturday, March 24, they laced up their sneakers and grabbed their posters to march with thousands of other students to bring attention to the lives lost through gun violence and to call out Congress members to take action and make schools safer. We're incredibly proud of our student activists who decided to walk with their peers for justice.

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