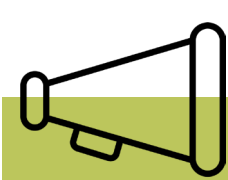




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Highlights from the Heart of Florida United Way Team serving at Maynard Evans High School



JOYS

- We are grateful for the ability to quickly adjust and grow together as a team to best serve our students at Maynard Evans High School
- Our team had a great Red Jacket Ceremony - we dedicated our jackets and highlight each other for leadership displayed in service thus far
- We had a successful first event on school campus to support breast cancer awareness



STARFISH STORY – A STORY OF STUDENT IMPACT

BY KAT BRADLEY



My starfish student, Lance* is a funny but very closed off student. He was not interested in making new friends. At the start of the year, Lance barely spoke to me but as time passed he began to slowly open up. One day, we were talking about setting and achieving goals and I realized that my role was to support and encourage him anyway I could. Each day in class, I made sure he knew that I was there to support him.

After Lance returned from winter break, he saw me on campus and immediately gave me a look that he really needed me. He finally opened up to me about some of the things he was going through – this day changed our relationship. My persistence paid off and he viewed me as someone he could trust and confide in. I remember crying when I returned to the City Year room because I was reminded of why I serve students. I have learned more from him than I have taught him – he showed me that what I am doing is enough. ***=Student Pseudonym**



AMERICORPS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Vannesa Borrell is from Miami, FL and proudly serves on the Heart of Florida United Way team at Maynard Evans High School. She attended Southern New Hampshire University where she studied child psychology. Before joining City Year Orlando, Vannesa began supporting students as an AmeriCorps member with City Year Miami. She serves to help those who may be overseen and do not ask for help. She serves not to be the voice of the youth, but to educate them so one day they can be the voice for others. After her service year, Vanessa plans to pursue a career in education with hopes to one day become a City Year staff member.



THE TEAM

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Helen Hines	Jakob Namon	Mariah Wilson	

UPCOMING DATES

November

Academic Anxiety Event
Virtual Tutoring
City Year Day of Service

December

Virtual Tutoring
Evans Team Day

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