

# BACK TO BASICS

Generous donors, like you, help us do whatever it takes to ensure our students have what they need to realize their potential inside and outside of the classroom.

Donors like you make it possible to provide:

- ✓ Basics Needs Assistance
- ✓ Attendance, Behavior, & Academic Supports
- ✓ Family Engagement
- ✓ Health Services
- ✓ Trauma-Informed Care
- ✓ Life Skills & Career Supports



The mission of Communities In Schools is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

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# SUCCESS Society

Empowering students to stay in school and succeed in life.



Our evidence-based model is best in class.

Research shows that the CIS model **both** increases on-time graduation and decreases dropout rates.

Everything we do at CIS is guided by the “Five Basics,” a set of essentials that every child needs and deserves. It is the goal of CIS to provide our students with:

1. A one-on-one relationship with a caring adult
2. A safe place to learn and grow
3. A healthy start and a healthy future
4. A marketable skill to use upon graduation
5. A chance to give back to peers and community

*“Programs don’t change children - relationships do.”*

Bill Milliken  
Founder, Communities In Schools



# SUCCESS STORY

## Dana

Dana is a high school graduate with plans for a bright future, but graduation wasn't always in clear sight...

On the brink of failing her classes, Dana first connected to Communities In Schools during her sophomore year of high school. She was reserved and quietly struggled with the loss of her mom to cancer. She was unsure of who she could turn to for help. Without her mom, Dana found it more and more difficult not only to cope with the pain of losing her, but also to handle the pressure of taking her place as her household's caregiver & bill-payer.

CIS offered Dana a safe place to explore her feelings. She began to open up about her challenges, and soon she came to know and trust the CIS team at her school. In return, the team surrounded Dana with the supports she needed.

Life continued to place hurdles in Dana's way. During her senior year, her family lost their home, and Dana was homeless and working multiple jobs. Her responsibilities kept her from attending school or focusing on homework and tests. Still, CIS remained a consistent part of Dana's life, connecting her to resources when her life at home was overwhelming.

With the support of CIS, school faculty & staff, and connections to community partners, Dana persevered, and in June she graduated with the class of 2019! As a high school graduate, Dana has found a new path with endless possibilities and a CIS team that she can always call family.



# SUCCESS SOCIETY

## Giving Levels

Join the ranks of like-minded donors who understand the long-term and far-reaching implications of high school success. By becoming a member of the Success Society, you will be an active participant in changing the future for the better.

In keeping with guiding principles of the Five Basics, every child needs and deserves a:

### Champion

to provide a one-on-one relationship with a caring adult

\$50,000+

### Defender

to provide a safe place to learn and grow

\$25,000 - \$49,999

### Hero

to provide a healthy start and a healthy future

\$10,000 - \$24,999

### Promoter

to provide a marketable skill to use upon graduation

\$1,500 - \$9,999

### Believer

to provide a chance to give back to peers and community

\$500 - \$1,499

# JOIN IN

Support Student Success

☐ Yes! I would like to support student success!

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☐ Hero at \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Promoter at \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Believer at \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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