

Revive South Jersey

2024 Outcome Year End Report

300 - adult learners enrolled and participating in GED, ESL and Adult Basic ed programs weekly. There are currently 221 individuals on the waiting list for ESL alone.

12 – graduates earning their HS diploma through the GED program; **76** sections of the GED test passed; **9** adult learners earned their primary or secondary certificate from Mexico; **39** students graduated a level in ESL and **6** were able to graduate the ESL program.

400+ – youth participating in the winter/spring school year sessions of the soccer, karate, dance, music, tutoring, skating, art, art therapy, photography/videography, pre-military, mechanic training and social/emotional development classes in partnership with law enforcement in Bridgeton and Salem. The picture below is from our art therapy partnership with Ranch Hope where we've had strong support from the SCPO detectives.

150+ – individuals received free legal immigration services through a partnership with the Camden Center for Law and Social Justice that provides an on-site attorney based in Bridgeton in the Revive South Jersey offices.

5 – new students awarded full tuition scholarships to RCSJ Cumberland for two years and additional scholarship funds for two additional years at a four-year school through the Estrella Naciente Scholarship Program.

43 – individuals were assisted in finding a new or better job in 2024; **32** individuals were helped to find a safe, secure place to live (rent and home purchase); **9** individuals were helped to obtain their NJ Driver's license and **18** families were helped with educational challenges and provided with tutoring support or assistance with obtaining IEP's or 504's

1,000+ - individuals participating in our annual Hispanic Heritage Day event. This event features music, dance, food and novelty items from a variety of the Hispanic countries and cultures that our community is blessed to have residing in it.



Our programs are designed to serve individuals, families, groups and the entire community as we work to holistically strengthen Cumberland and Salem Counties. We strive to help foster individual achievement, group support and community engagement. We've seen some incredible success in all these areas over the course of the last year.

Over the last year, we were thrilled to add Adrianna Lopez to our team through our partnership with PathStone. Earlier in 2024, Adrianna earned her diploma through our HSE program. When a spot opened up to become our HSE Adult Education Manager, she applied and now runs that program! This growth and success is the very example of the individual investment and opportunity we work to foster every day through our team.

In Salem, we saw our dance and art therapy programs come together in a very real way in response to the shooting tragedy that occurred on October 6. Two of the girls in group art therapy lost their father. Immediately, the next day, the group came together and created posters of remembrance to share with the girls and their family to show their support. They delivered these to the family and along with some cakes and personal words of encouragement. Another group participant was the niece of the man who was shot. She reached out less than 12 hours after the occurrence to request an individual meeting with the art therapist. While we never want to see these supports needed, it was incredible to see the immediate benefit of having created the relationships and environment to provide resources, help and healing for the youth. Ongoing services for this family are being coordinated by the family advocates in partnership with the Prosecutor's office and other community members. Through other avenues of support, presents were provided to the six youth impacted from the family, so they could be sure to have Christmas and know that their community was there for them.

Picture immediately below: HSE/ESL/Plaza program graduates; Picture bottom left: dance team support of shooting victim's family; Picture bottom right: winter show in partnership with Bridgeton PAL – dance, karate, art, photography



THANK YOU, to all those who supported the work of Revive South Jersey in 2024. We look forward to another incredible year in 2025. If you are interested in supporting this work, please contact Jonathan Cummings, jon@revivesj.org or 856-391-9110. For more information on Unidos para la Familia and to check out stories from our families: www.unidosparalafamilia.com.