# **JOBE Transitional Living Program**

A program of Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc.

## Fall 2022 Newsletter

## **Introducing Our Newest Resident**



Christian is an eighteen-year-old former foster youth who joined the program in August 2022. Christian is a highly motivated and ambitious young man. He currently attends Los Angeles Pierce College and majors in Computer Science. He aspires to start a career in the world of technology after earning his bachelor's degree. In his free time, Christian enjoys swimming, cooking, and outdoor activities. Since joining the program, Christian has enrolled into college, obtained a new job, started driver training, and began building his personal savings. Christian's next goals include owning his first car, passing his classes, and continuing to earn valuable work experience.



**Ventura County Fair Outing.** *Left to right*: Aaron, Counselor Mike, Program Director Keith, Kevin E., Emmanuel, Maya, Destiny B., Nati, Daniel, Christian, Oscar, Edwin, and Vanessa.

#### **Goodbye to a Great Summer**

JOBE's trip to the Ventura County Fair was a success! From the beautiful weather and delicious food options to the huge rides and hilarious pig races, everyone had a great time. It was the perfect way to end summer before the new school year begins. (See page 4 for more memories of the summer.)

#### Message from the Director

As a new school year begins for the JOBE residents, they are offered an opportunity to continue their journey into becoming responsible, young adults. Education is the pillar for success in life. At JOBE, we want all our residents to be well-rounded individuals. We encourage the residents to earn everything they obtain in life. All of JOBE's residents are enrolled in post-secondary education and all residents are Residents employed. encouraged to practice the ABC's of Employment: A= Any job where you gain work experience, learn personal responsibility, practice punctuality, follow directions, and work as a team. B= Better job where you earn more, obtain more work experience, learn leadership skills, and start planning for your career. C= Career which is a long term position where you have a better salary, benefits, satisfaction and is possibly related to your education. The pillars of the ABC's of Employment guide the JOBE residents as they mature into young, working professionals.

Sincerely,

Keith Wieser Program Director

#### Success Stories



JOBE Resident. Maya.

#### Maya obtains U.S. Citizenship

Maya was born in Germany and immigrated to the United States as a young child. She was placed in the foster care system and aged out at eighteen years old. In 2021, Maya obtained U.S. citizenship! In addition to this accomplishment, Maya has earned valuable work experience, obtained a driver license, purchased her own car, and completed one year of college.

### **Our Mission**

The mission of JOBE Transitional Living Program is to create a trauma informed, culturally aware, and safe environment for our Transitional Aged Youth (TAY)/homeless youth to utilize their individual strengths to end the cycle of poverty and become pillars of the community.

## Learning to **Earn**



JOBE Resident. Emmanuel.

JOBE residents are encouraged to <u>earn</u> everything in life and become self-sufficient. JOBE instills this in each resident by emphasizing the importance of securing employment and teaching residents how to manage their personal finances. In fact, one hundred percent of JOBE residents are currently employed! Not only are residents encouraged to find a job to gain work experience, they are encouraged to find jobs that they enjoy and will provide them with valuable skills. **Emmanuel** (pictured above) works at a local retail store where he learns transferrable skills such as customer service and engagement. **Destiny R.** (pictured below)



JOBE Resident. Destiny R.



**JOBE Resident.** Kevin E.

works at a local middle school where she learns how to supervise children and manage people. **Kevin E.** (pictured above) works at a local restaurant where he learns how to collaborate with other team members in a fast-paced environment. **Aaron** (pictured below) has a paid internship with an aerospace company where he earns school credit and gains hands-on experience all while having the opportunity to network with professionals. These experiences are valuable for each resident's future in the workforce, allows them to gain confidence in their abilities, and helps them become well-rounded individuals. JOBE prepares residents for employment by providing them with job leads, resume building, professional clothing, mock interviews, and transportation assistance.



JOBE Resident. Aaron.

#### **Success Stories**



Former JOBE Resident. Kevin N.

#### From a Matador to a Trojan

**Kevin N.** was accepted into University of Southern California's Master of Social Work Program! **Kevin** is a former resident of JOBE (2018-2021). During his tenure in the program, **Kevin** earned a position as resident assistant and became a role model to his peers. He eventually became a JOBE counselor after graduating from California State University, Northridge and transitioning out of the JOBE program. We are proud to witness **Kevin** continue to be an influential role model and achieve his dreams.

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Website: www.jobetlp.org

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## **Summer Memories**







# **Recent Birthdays**



**JOBE Resident.** Kamau celebrating his 23rd birthday.



**JOBE Resident.** Aaron celebrating his 21st birthday.