Gratitude From PWI’s Executive Director
Parenting with Intent has thrived with the help of your ongoing support and donations! We have been able to consistently provide celebration gifts to dozens of youth and families. We expanded our programming for youth; including work readiness, education support, and services for survivors of human trafficking. We launched our Chef for a Day Program and our Monthly Sustainable Giving platform. As we look ahead there are more good things on the way. We are launching a new program that will provide services to the caregivers of youth in Foster Care, the Child Specific Caregiver Support Program.

This year, we’ll continue to walk beside and support our youth and families. We plan on utilizing youth opinions and feedback to shape our individual and pro-social services, creating more opportunities for those we provide assistance to, and continuing to celebrate the incredible accomplishments of our youth and families! - Ashley

Impact from Your Monthly Sustainable Giving
Spring of 2021 was the beginning of our monthly sustainable giving campaign. With the help of our first four sustainers we have begun equipping our families and youth with the tools and confidence they need to access helpful resources, advocate for their own needs, make positive changes and successfully pursue their aspirations.

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Impact from Your Monthly Sustainable Giving

“With the consistent funding of monthly sustainable donations I was able to provide a family with two sets of bunk beds and a queen size bed frame. I was able to purchase mattresses for the bunk beds and was able to purchase bedding for the children. Did you know the children have not had their own beds and/or a bed in over a year? Well now they do!! I helped the family put the bunk beds together and after several hours and many laughs the beds were completed.

This family went through a very traumatic time and had to leave everything behind and start over. Starting over has been hard but mom has been focused on turning her apartment into a home. The family is focused on healing and putting the pieces back together. Each child now has a bed and space of their own. Something as simple as having a bed provides mental, emotional and physical safety for these children who have gone through so much.

Thank you so much to our donors and partners who made this possible. What seems small to some is more than some can ever imagine. I wish you could have seen their faces when the beds were complete!”

- Nichole, Family Services Program Coordinator
Support from our Foundation Funders

Due to the generous support we have received from The Spirit Mountain Community Fund and the June and Julian Foss Foundation we have been able to continue our mentoring services for our youth who have aged out of the Foster Care system and for those whose cases with Child Welfare have closed. Due to these grants we have been able to serve 8 youth for an extended 12 months.

This is the first class of our next level grant participants. We are seeing such an impact!

Alexus participated in PWI's YES program starting when she was 18 years old. She is now in her own apartment and raising twin 6 year old boys who have special needs.

Having grown up in Foster care, she has had to learn how to meet her needs and navigate complex systems without much guidance and consistency from caseworkers, foster parents and providers. Over the past 5 years, Alexus has struggled and persevered through a number of challenges in her parenting, housing, mental health and finances.

After aging out of PWI's YES program, she felt the immense loss of healthy, supportive and invested adults and mentors in her life. This grant is allowing Aboudi, Alexus' PWI mentor, to continue working with Alexus, building on the trust and rapport that was created together during her time in the YES program.

Aboudi is excited to share that thanks to Spirit Mountain's investment Alexus "now has the support to process the difficulties and stresses of being self-sufficient. I am currently engaging her around sustaining her new employment and strategies around self-care, seeking and cultivating healthy relationships and community as well as processing the transition out of being child-welfare involved."

New Programming at PWI

The kickoff of our Chef for a Day program in January was a huge success and our program is now fully subscribed through April. These meals serve our LIFE Clubs that meet during the week at our Youth Empowerment Center.

So far, we have had volunteers whip up their specialties at home and we have had groups come and cook at our kitchen here at PWI. Some of our volunteer chefs have also ordered takeout from their favorite local restaurant and dropped it off. We are still seeking new volunteer chefs. This is a great way for your favorite local business or community group to support PWI's Youth. Spread the word!

“Chef for a Day has made healthy, homemade meals a regular offering at our LIFE group. This is really special as many Foster youth eat a lot of fast food and are not always offered or shown healthy alternatives. Chef for a Day also shows them that there are community members out there who want to cook for them and care about them.” – Brenna, LIFE Club Facilitator

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