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YOU make the difference

In 2011, Indian River Impact 100 generously awarded Hibiscus Children's Center with a \$100,000 grant to implement the Career Pathways to Independence Program. The youth have greatly benefited from this skills training and career preparation program that has been graciously supported by community individuals, businesses and foundations.

In 2017, Indian River Impact 100 generously awarded Hibiscus Children's Center with a second \$100,000 grant to create a transformational new program, the Graphic Design Impact Center.

Thank you for your innovation, vision and support to help change the lives and futures of our youth.

OUR MISSION

To maintain a safe shelter for children who are abused, abandoned and neglected by providing prevention, early intervention, and advocacy in quality residential, assessment and recovery programs.

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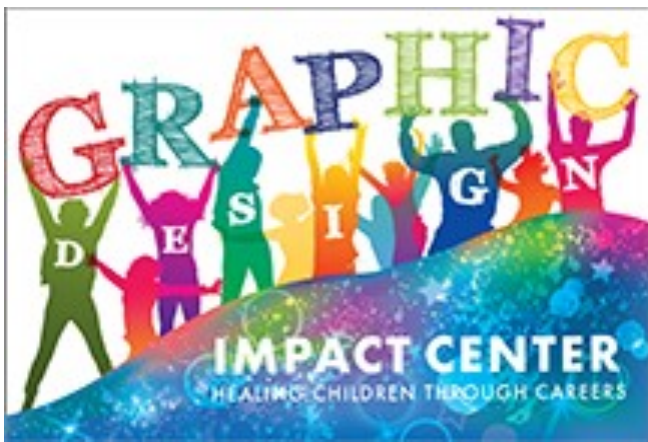


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GRAPHIC DESIGN IMPACT CENTER

at the Hibiscus Children's Village

Healing Children Through Careers



"I now want to go to college and learn graphic design. The program has showed me how math and English are important in all jobs. Working on projects gives me practice in real world company experiences".
 -GDIC Youth Participant

Samples of our youth's creativity and designs



skills training guidance can produce **big changes**

Graphic Design Impact Center is located at the Hibiscus Children's Village in Vero Beach.



Our Home

The Village is a 40-bed group home facility that provides a safe haven for abused youth. There are eight homes including the Graphic Design Impact Center, a Campus Center, GED Lab and outdoor activity/basketball area.

Our Youth

Youth, ages 13 to 17, are removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect and/or abandonment by the State. The youth are placed at the Village for a few days, months, or sometimes, even years. Many youth will "age out of the system" with us at age 18.

Our Staff & Volunteers

The teens are cared for by a group of caring and trained staff and assisted by loving volunteers. The staff provide a home-like environment including chores and curfews. The Graphic Design Impact Center is led by a professional staff member with graphic design experience.

Graphic Design Impact Center Program

The "Healing Children through Careers (HCC) Graphic Design Impact Center" is an on-site career development program for youth. This innovative program will enhance competitive employment opportunities for youth and help prepare them for more advanced technical and "white collar" jobs in graphic design, print and distribution.

The specific goal of the program is to teach graphic design and printing skills as well as social and life skills so youth become successful community members. The youth are trained through real-time projects and learn the fundamentals and key elements of graphic design.

Transforming Lives

The specific goal of the program is to expand youth's horizons and help them help themselves through graphic design and technical skills needed for employment and adulthood.

The youth who participate will be better equipped for independence, the world of employment and advancing their education.

The cost of child abuse can be devastating to the child, families and the community as-a-whole. Children who experience abuse are nine times more likely to become involved in criminal activity, human trafficking, and develop suicidal ideations.

This program will provide employment training of a marketable skill that will help youth overcome these statistics and transform their lives and the effect they will have on their community.