



HEALTHY LEARNERS
A Ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System

Dreams To Become *A Reality...*

When I was little, I dreamed of being a teacher like *my mom*. I have so many memories of being in her classroom, watching in awe as she passed her love for learning to her first-grade students. My son dreamed of being an NFL football player when he was little! I encouraged him, letting him know that great things can happen with hard work!

But so many children in South Carolina *don't dare to dream*. They might feel stuck, struggle with school, or not have anyone encouraging them to dream big. Yet what if the reason for falling behind in school had a simple fix? What if a pair of glasses or a rescue asthma inhaler was all that was standing between a child and their dreams?

While I'm not a 1st grade teacher (*nor is my son in the NFL 😊*), my dream of impacting children's futures has come true. I'm so glad we share the same dream. *In just four short years*, we have tripled HEALTHY LEARNERS geographical footprint and the number of children and families supported. Together, we have ensured that every child we serve has what they need to succeed in school and life. Together, we have encouraged our students to *dream big - letting them know that great things can happen with hard work!*

You have opened so many opportunities for *dreams to become a reality* for thousands of children in South Carolina. Because of you, HEALTHY LEARNERS' students are our future healthcare workers, auto mechanics, teachers, and maybe even NFL players! Thank you for being a *dreammaker*.

Amy Splittgerber
Executive Director



Zack's Inspiring Dream...

Zack is a 7th grader whose educational journey embodies the power of determination, community support, and unwavering dreams.

Zack moved from Alabama last year with his family, finding himself in a challenging situation. His mother, who works a demanding and inflexible job at a retirement home, worked tirelessly, leaving Zack to spend most afternoons at his grandmother's house. Limited by her lack of a driver's license, his grandmother struggled to arrange doctor visits which aligned with his mom's work schedule.

Your generosity allowed our team to walk alongside Zack's family during this time. With your help, we provided access to the dental services that Zack needed. Moreover, your support enabled us to bridge his transportation gap, ensuring Zack made it to his appointments, even when his mother couldn't leave work early.

What we love most about Zack is his dream. While most dream of fame, Zack aspires to open a shelter for homeless military veterans in his community - As a 12-year-old! His vision reflects a heart brimming with empathy and a commitment to serve those who served us.

Zack's dream isn't just an idea; it's a beacon of compassion and hope for his community's future. His determination to create a haven for veterans in need showcases his amazing heart to make a difference, even in challenging circumstances.



Zack's journey reminds us that every individual, no matter their age, holds the power to make a difference.

By believing in each other, we build a community where dreams thrive and kindness prevails.

Let's empower Zack's vision and pave the way for a brighter, more compassionate community together.

Our Impact...

This year we have seen a record breaking need To provide access to healthcare for Children in South Carolina. Here are just a few ways we've served our children.



2,722 STUDENTS



19 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

13,404 HEALTH SERVICES



203 PROVIDERS

91% REFERRALS ADDRESSED



101,601 MILES TRAVELED

Support Children In Special Ways This End of the Year...

Qualified Charitable Contribution from your IRA:

Are you 70? Looking to make a BIG impact? We would love to partner with you to transform the future while helping reduce your taxable income.

Account Name: Sisters of Charity Health System

Account Number: 26-43069 | DTC: #2669

To ensure your gift of stock is correctly credited to you and directed to HEALTHY LEARNERS, please contact Christian Markle at Cmarkle@healthylearners.com to notify us of your gift.

Charitable Gift Annuities: A charitable gift annuity with HEALTHY LEARNERS is a gift that gives back. It can provide you and another beneficiary with stable income for life, and you can also receive an immediate income tax deduction!

Donate Your Vehicle: HEALTHY LEARNERS travels tens of thousands of miles a year supporting children in need. Do you want to send your vehicle in good condition on a mission to make a difference? Let's talk!



A Season Full of Fundraising...

This Fall, our HEALTHY LEARNERS team participated in three fundraising events across South Carolina. Our team had a great time and appreciate everyone who came out to support the kids we serve.



Adult Spelling Bee | Greenwood Emerald High School



Songwriters in the Round | Columbia Millstone at Adams Pond



Songwriters in the Round | Murrells Inlet Atalaya Castle

Through Sara's Eyes...

Entering the eye clinic with my camera, I spotted Sara, this adorable kindergartener bursting with questions. On our way in, she was chatting away with Mary, Our HL Student Service Coordinator. Sara seemed unsure but excited when we got inside.

While snapping some shots, I saw Sara playing tic-tac-toe with Mary. She took a break to ask me about photography; her curiosity was awesome! I shared some tips that lit up her interest in taking pictures.

She returned to playing, but I could tell she was still curious. So, when she came up to me again, all excited about taking photos around the waiting room, I couldn't say no. We had a blast clicking pictures, and her joy was contagious.

On the ride back, Sara was beaming, telling us about her visit. We ended up playing "Eye Spy," it was so much fun, all of us laughing together. Seeing Sara so keen to learn and explore was fantastic. Her kindness and caring nature shine brightly, paving the way for a wonderful future filled with positivity and making a real difference in every life she touches.



Brandon Tyler East
Marketing & Partner Experience Manager

Our Biggest Fans...



Thankful for HEALTHY LEARNERS. They make it possible for the kids to get the necessities they need and the parents don't have to miss work...They are absolutely **AWESOME!** - Parent

EFFICIENT with scheduled days for screenings. Very quick and easy to communicate. - Nurse



One of the photos
Sarah captured that day