

YOUR UNITED WAY GIFT CREATES ANOTHER...

STORY OF SUCCESS



Making of a Leader



Headed for the Maverick Club on his bike, Cookie was looking forward to his first visit there with a friend. After several hours, he enjoyed himself so much that the staff asked him to return the rest of the week as a guest. Cookie was quickly infused with Club activities and eagerly wanted to become a *real* member. In fact, he told staff workers more than once that he was sure his grandmother would pay his fees “next week”.

With a father that hadn't been around for years and a mother who has been in and out of jail, it was easy to see why this child would look forward to belonging to a safe haven such as the Maverick Club. But Cookie's grandmother had no money to spend on a membership.

So, the director offered him a deal: If Cookie would agree to participate as eagerly as he did as a guest, United Way would step in and scholarship Cookie's membership. He excitedly accepted and now leads activities, conducts new member orientation and even gives tours! After being picked up after school each day by a van from the Maverick Club, Cookie spends almost 3 hours enjoying his afternoon before walking home each evening.

Without the Maverick Club and United Way of Amarillo & Canyon, Cookie could have easily followed a path very different from the Club leadership role he now experiences. The staff has watched as his academic work has improved along the way, and they envision Cookie as having a great shot at being one of the future leaders in our community!

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INFLUENCE
THE CONDITION OF ALL.
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Thanks to your contributions to United Way, lives are being changed every day through programs like those at the Maverick Boys and Girls Club.

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