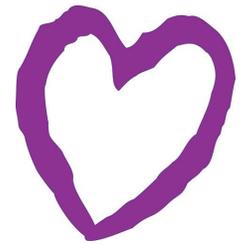




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Success Story

A Rewarding Experience



Five Protective Factors: Concrete Support in Times of Need

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My name is Flora Ochoa. I was born in Cuba and I am 75 years old. I came to the United States in 2012 and after living here for five years I then became eligible to apply for citizenship. I came to the United States with my mother who was 96 years old and we reunite with my sons, grandsons and nephews who were already living in the States. I find it a privilege to be an immigrant and have the opportunity to live in the United States with my family in the Town 'N Country community.

I was referred to the Children's Board Family Resource Center in Town 'N Country, by Gulf Coast Legal Services who processed my request to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. They recommended that I attend the CBFRC in TNC's Citizenship Study Group and Conversational English classes. I participated in the class for approximately two years and I recently passed my Citizenship interview and the test. My English isn't perfect and I can use some improvement but I spoke well enough to pass the test.

I highly appreciate the Children's Board Family Resource Center in TNC and Nandy Leon for my success. Nandy was patient, dedicated and consistent in helping me to overcome my fears and subsequently I passed the Citizenship test. I am still coming to the Conversational English class and my English has continued to improve. I feel more secure when I have to speak English and I can communicate better.

My experience at the Family Resource Center has been rewarding, thus I recommend it to everybody. Their trained personnel are friendly, helpful and they make participants feel like family.

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