

CLOSE OUT SUMMARY
CASA TUTORING PROGRAM
October 2017

The Children's Hope Initiative and other community partners provided seed money for the Traveling Tutor program, a service offered by CASA of Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren Counties which provides in-home tutoring services to vulnerable foster youth who are struggling academically. Since its inception in 2014, 12 tutors have served 28 youth, providing 964 hours of tutoring services.

All of the children who have been provided with tutors have been promoted to the next grade level; none have been retained. Some have made remarkable progress, like the young lady who jumped two grade levels up after having been held back and the girl who went from reading at a third-grade level to getting an 89 in physics within three years of receiving tutoring services. Others have been strengthened enough to stay on grade level and make slow but incremental progress.

The Traveling Tutors offer these children an incalculable gift - the gift of an education. For children who have failed classes, been held back, had difficulty understanding the material, and for whom school is a chore, this program has instilled a renewed sense of competency, care, and a desire to do well in school. They are laying the foundation today for future success tomorrow.