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These organizations open doors for the residents of South Jersey.

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Any economy is only as sound as its community. That means no one can be left behind. Nonprofit groups often fill the gaps that citizens can fall into, from children to adults suffering from illness, disabilities or financial and educational deficiencies or any number of disadvantages. *South Jersey Biz* is proud to recognize these 15 organizations for their philanthropic work in our area.

Allies, Inc.

Allies celebrated its 17th year this past summer and has remarkably accomplished so much in that short time frame. For over a decade, they have been paving a path to independence, acceptance and equality for individuals with special needs and their families. Driven by the individual needs of the people they serve, innovation is the hallmark of the agency's services and underscores their every pursuit. With this in mind, they seek to transcend barriers by partnering people with disabilities to communities of their choice, paving the road to independence. Through effective advocacy, innovative programming and flexible support services their dedicated staff is helping people live richer lives.

American Diabetes Association

The American Diabetes Association's mission is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all those affected by diabetes. The New Jersey market serves the more than 900,000 individuals in the

state who have been diagnosed with diabetes, helping them manage the disease as well as those who are trying to prevent type II diabetes. They advocate for individuals in school and in the workplace and provide health care institutions with the best standards of care. They also work with companies throughout the state to help them provide a healthy environment for their employees through their workplace wellness programs and mission engagement initiatives.

The Arc of Gloucester County

The Arc Gloucester is celebrating 60 years of providing programs and services to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. What started with a small group of parents who wanted educational opportunities for their children has grown into an organization with over 30 programs throughout all of Gloucester County. Residential programs, adult training services and businesses and family support programs provide individuals with

intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to live in their own home and be active members of their community, to learn new skills and earn a paycheck from meaningful employment and to spend time with peers participating in recreational and continuing education activities while providing families and caregivers time to focus on other needs.

Community Treatment Solutions

Community Treatment Solutions (CTS) is a nonprofit organization, established in 1990 to address the needs of youth, ages 5-21, who have been abused, neglected and/or abandoned by the adults in their lives. The organization, dedicated to serving the most at-risk youths in New Jersey (the majority having a diagnosis of PTSD), serves over 450 youth and their families in a variety of clinical intensive and specialized community-based services. Their mission: to provide services that build a foundation for healing, growth and success for children and families.



The Joseph Fund annual gala



Allies, Inc.



The Arc of Gloucester County



Robins' Nest Santa's workshop event



United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey

family therapy—since 1978. Crossroads' programs offer youth developmental assets, educational and emotional mentoring or coaching and life skills training.

Girl Scouts of Central and Southern NJ

It began over 100 years ago with one woman, Girl Scouts' founder Juliette Gordon "Daisy" Low, who believed in the power of every girl. She organized the first Girl Scout troop on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, and every year since, the Girl Scouts make her vision a reality, helping girls discover their strengths, passions and talents.

The Joseph Fund

The Joseph Fund is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization dedicated to shepherding resources to inspire self-determination, raise aspirations and lift spirits of all the individuals and families served by six Camden-based organizations that provide educational opportunities, permanent housing solutions for lower-income individuals and solutions to end homelessness for those willing to receive a "hand up" of support. The six missions are organizations that grew out of the work of their visionary founder, Father Bob McDermott former pastor of St. Joseph's Pro Cathedral Parish in East Camden.

The impact: Rakeem Miller recalls his experience at St. Joseph's in vignettes, from Mrs. Green's invitation for lunch to watch an NCAA tournament, to production of the school play with Mr. Moore, to volunteering with his classmates and teachers at a food pantry. He especially remembers Ms. Mohr's indelible act of compassion toward him and his classmates. In his words, they were comforted, reassured and prepared. Whichever vignette he elicits, the recurring theme of serious care and of deep connection resounds. As a teacher, Miller relies on his St. Joseph's foundation to create structure for his current career, especially as it pertains to how to build relationships with his students, discipline them and teach them life lessons. The deep connection with staff and student and with student and student live on. His experience at St. Joseph's influences him still and reinforces the importance of family, something, he says, you can't get anywhere else. Support of The Joseph Fund maintains this rich legacy and makes the impossible, possible for future "young Rakeems."

Kingsway Learning Center

Kingsway Learning Center provides an alternative educational environment designed specifically for the academic, therapeutic, social and emotional development of students with multiple disabilities. Kingsway provides the highest quality individualized services and support by working closely with families to help students reach their full potential. The goal is that each program they offer fulfills different needs and allows students and families to live each day with a better quality of life.

The impact: In June 2015, Alex and 25 of her peers graduated from Kingsway Learning

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