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Dear We Care Supporters,

When our family moved to the area in 2019, we were excited for a new beginning.

We enrolled our son Jackson in a private preschool and began to put down roots. Although the community was very welcoming, we began noticing that Jackson was exhibiting increasingly challenging behavioral issues, both at home and at school.



He struggled with learning, was unable to interact with his peers, had high-intensity outbursts, and had an extremely tough time transitioning between tasks. We did our best to help, but the behavior only escalated. It was very stressful for him, our family, his teacher, and his class.

Just when we began to feel there was no hope, the school recommended we contact We Care Services for Children. As soon as we met with the Preschool Consultant, we felt comfortable knowing she was going to help Jackson. His behavior improved and we breathed a sigh of relief.

And then the pandemic hit.

Before we could worry, We Care's consultant reached out to reassure us that she would still be there for Jackson. With her help, he is now happy, enjoying school, and playing with friends. He still asks if he can FaceTime her to read *The Color Monster*, a book she shared to help him learn to self-regulate his emotions.

The time she spent with him has been life-changing for the entire family.

As a parent, all you want for your child is to have a good childhood. We couldn't be more grateful to We Care and supporters like you for helping to make that happen.

Sincerely,

Rana (Jackson's Mom)



**"I like her because she is kind and she loves me.  
I can tell she does because I can feel it in my head."  
- Jackson**

The Preschool Consultation Program, developed and administered by We Care, has been highly successful for over 20 years through funding from First 5 Contra Costa. Due to long-anticipated revenue decreases of tobacco-tax income for First 5, this program is "on its own" as of Jan 1, 2021. Donations like yours allowed We Care to continue to provide this critical resource to families like Jackson's. This program is arguably one of the most effective ways to halt the impact of early childhood education failure, and we can't thank you enough for your support in continuing these efforts.

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