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Many Thanks!

Many thanks to the Getting Ahead sites who provided data for this report. We know it's a lot of work that involves Getting Ahead investigators themselves and staff members who input the data into CharityTracker. Again, thank you!

When reading this report, think of how much effort Getting Ahead investigators put into moving these numbers in an average time span of only 192 days. We must honor their efforts.

When sharing this information with your organization and/or community, I suggest that you ask Getting Ahead graduates to talk about what it took to make the changes they made. Their stories will add meaning to these numbers.

A Getting Ahead facilitator once told me that while inputting the data with an investigator, it turned into a celebration! Taking a moment to measure progress can inspire us to continue. There is a phenomenon called the mere-measurement effect. The idea is that by measuring our own progress we reinforce our motivation to continue toward our goals. Think of the Fitbits that people use to measure our physical activity.

Please feel free to contact me with questions and comments.

Best wishes,
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Summary of Data

1697 graduates

192 Average days between assessments

Return On Investment Indicators

Increased monthly income: 50%

Decreased monthly debt: 53%

Decreased total debt: 52%

Increased assets: 40%

Decreased use of benefits: 36%

Building Resources

Highest five resources: increase of 17% to 19%

1. Emotional
2. Language
3. Social Capital
4. Relationships
5. Use of Hidden Rules

Lowest three resources: 11% to 15% increase

1. Physical
2. Spiritual
3. Integrity

Increasing Stability

Highest five stability factors: 24% to 27% increase

1. Time horizon
2. Bills
3. Emotional
4. Stress
5. Health

Lowest two stability factors: 15% to 16% increase

1. Behavior of children
2. Employment

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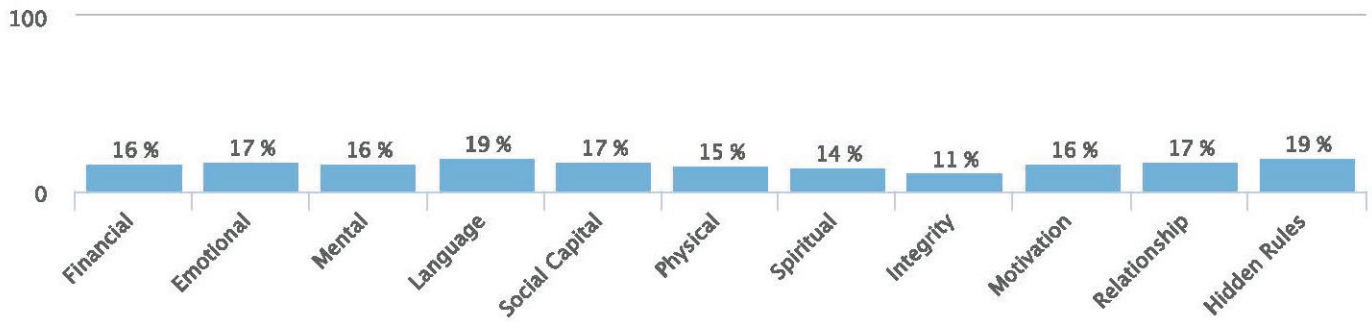
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Resource Increase by Graduates

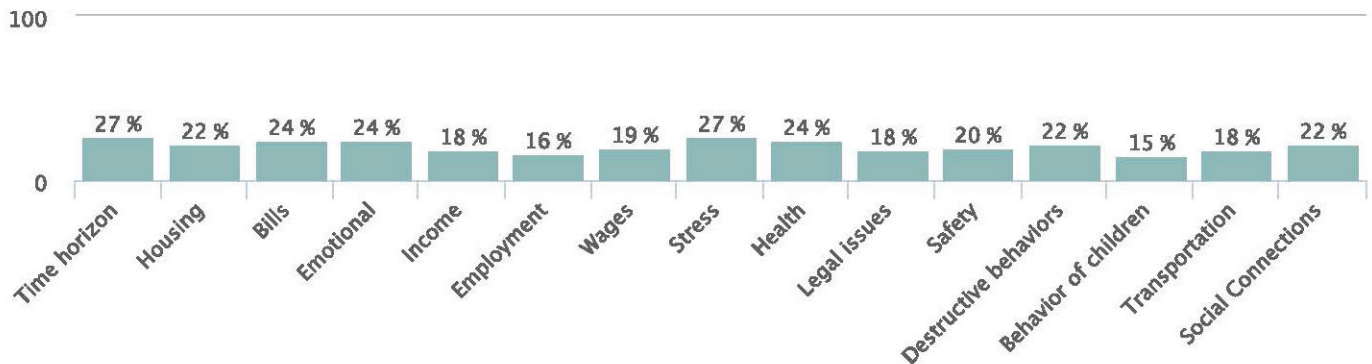
(baseline to most recent assessment – 835 Graduates)



Financial	Emotional	Mental	Language	Social Capital	Physical	Spiritual	Integrity	Motivation	Relationship	Hidden Rules
16%	17%	16%	19%	17%	15%	14%	11%	16%	17%	19%

Stability Increase by Graduates

(baseline to most recent assessment – 1020 Graduates)



Time horizon	Housing	Bills	Emotional	Income	Employment	Wages	Stress	Health	Legal issues	Safety	Destructive behaviors	Behavior of children	Transportation	Social Connections
27%	22%	24%	24%	18%	16%	19%	27%	24%	18%	20%	22%	15%	18%	22%

ROI Indicators for Graduates

(baseline to most recent assessment – 578 Graduates)

