

MEET JOHNATHAN

A YOUNG BOY WHO WENT FROM HOMELESS TO HOPEFUL



This is Johnathan.

Johnathan is in the first grade and he and his mother recently moved to the Willowbrook Corner neighborhood after transitioning out of a homeless shelter, where they were living for quite some time.

When he and his mom moved at the beginning of last summer, Johnathan didn't know anyone. He was shy, anxious and felt overwhelmed by his new surroundings. Johnathan's mom expressed to the staff at the WBC Youth Learning Program that her son was having a difficult time making friends and she was hoping that attending Summer Camp would change that.

Johnathan thrived in Summer Camp. The activities allowed Johnathan not only to get to know himself, but others as well. He made friends, had fun and developed a new found confidence he never knew he had. At the end of each day, Johnathan would slowly get ready to leave when his mom came to pick him up, stalling so he could stay *just a little bit longer* at WBC.

His mom was also grateful for the educational summer field trips the program provided for her son. She was unable to afford to take him places like local museums, zoos and theatre performances.

After every trip, Johnathan was excited to come home and share what he did and learned. Success stories like Johnathan's would not be possible without the support of generous donors like you.