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Visit www.hope-community.org/otherways or contact Azeta Garthune at **(612) 435-1695** or agarthune@hope-community.org.

Thank you
for being a
part of Hope
Community.



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HOPE Stories March 2013

Community



Marzia tends to her garden in front of her three-bedroom home at Hope.

Hope's work has always been much larger than the people connected directly to our housing. We are impacting the greater community. And you are part of that community.

500 people grow stronger possibilities for themselves and their community year-round at Hope. Every day your gift makes a real difference for adults and families. This story of Shanta and Jaida is just one—there are many more.

“At Hope, they provide space and opportunity for people to come together.” —Shanta



■ Shanta completed Hope's Micro-entrepreneur Training Program with partner Neighborhood Development Center and created a business plan for her event service, Shower Me! Baby. Pictured here with daughter, Jaida.



Thanks to you, positive change is happening in the community every day. Read more stories at

www.hope-community.org/hope-stories

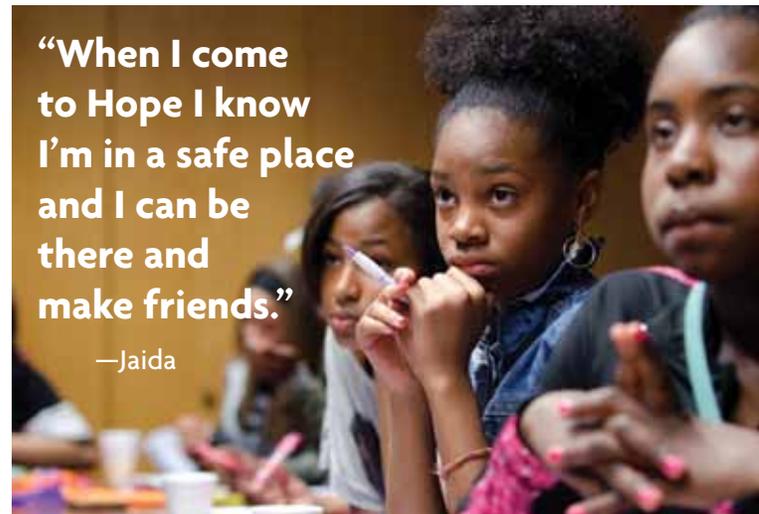


What Hope means to me

“My kids never had an experience where they could prepare for something new,” said Shanta, “and feel part of a community.” All three of Shanta's kids, Jaida (12 years), Jesse (13 years) and Jihan (10 years) completed a five-week leadership and camp readiness program that gave them the chance to connect to their peers, gain new skills and prepare for a week of overnight camp for the first time. After camp, kids leave with leadership skills, new friendships, and a confidence that spreads into other parts of their lives.

“When I come to Hope I know I'm in a safe place and I can be there and make friends.”

—Jaida



■ Jaida (center) prepares for the 2012 Young Women's Issues Forum: An African American conference with her peers at Hope. Using art, poetry and performance, through Hope's Girls' Empowerment Movement program, the girls develop a healthy self- image while learning life skills.

You create opportunity for Shanta and Jaida to invest in themselves and their community.

Thank you!