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The All Stars Project is proud to continue our 22-year partnership with John, Cathy and the Andrus family. Together we have created opportunities for growth and development for hundreds of thousands of young people from inner-city communities across America.

The John and Cathy Andrus Fund for Future All Stars will ensure that new generations of young people will be exposed to the groundbreaking programs of the All Stars Project.

John Andrus became an All Stars sponsor in 1993 when a dedicated volunteer knocked on his door in Ridgewood, NJ. By 1995 he was a member of the All Stars Project's President's Committee and in 1999 he stepped forward to support both the Capital Campaign to fund a new home in Manhattan as well as to launch an ambitious expansion to Newark, NJ.

Bringing his sales skills and indomitable will, he was a valued partner to founding staff leaders Gloria Strickland and Bonny Gildin.

"Our mission is to transform the lives of youth and poor communities through the developmental power of performance in partnership with caring adults," said Gloria Strickland. "And I could not have better, more dedicated and passionate partners than John and Cathy. I share their concern for our kids, and I am inspired by their personal commitment!"

Over the years, the Andrus family financial underwriting, volunteerism and leadership helped the All Stars grow from a single program in one city with a \$1 million annual budget and handful of full-time staff members, to a national organization with programs in six cities, a \$10 million annual budget and over 150 full-time and part-time employees.

John and Cathy were always there not only with generous financial support, they were a regular and visible presence at key events – the Phyllis Hyman Phat Friend Awards, the Castillo Theatre, and Development School for Youth orientations/graduations. Their daughter, Lindsay Andrus, volunteered and helped to open the All Stars new headquarters on 42nd Street in Manhattan. Even from 2004 to 2009, when John was accumulating hundreds of thousands of miles of business travel, he and his family always found time to volunteer and connect. In 2009, ASPNJ was proud to include John and Cathy in a special tribute to founding sponsors.

The John and Cathy Andrus Fund for Future All Stars will underwrite the annual Young Leaders for Change awards ceremony at the Flamm Center in downtown Newark, where high-performing All Stars young people are recognized for initiative, leadership and their commitment to All Stars values. Students will also be exposed to ongoing leadership development, entrepreneurship and volunteerism, practices that epitomize John's approach to living a full and joyous life.

Supporters are invited to attend local events in New Jersey and Atlanta to celebrate the impact of the Fund.



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The All Stars Project
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YOUTH LEADERS SHARE THE IMPACT!



ALL STARS PROJECT
OF NEW YORK

GEORGE 'LYRIC' PEDRAZA, 22

ALL STARS TALENT SHOW NETWORK (SINCE 2009)
OPERATION CONVERSATION: COPS & KIDS (SINCE 2009)
DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL FOR YOUTH (2010)
YOUTH ONSTAGE! (2011)

Growing up around violence, depression, and addiction makes me feel like I have to fight for survival, or even to make it home at the end of the day. The performance skills I have learned by participating in the All Stars Talent Show Network and our other programs have given me the tools I need to transform my relationship to my neighborhood and its pitfalls. Operation Conversation: Cops & Kids has expanded that performance training to the streets of Queens. The workshops gave me a chance to talk with police officers and tell them why I feel threatened. They hear a different story that they may never have been able to hear otherwise from my peers and me. Now when I have run-ins with police, I know I can perform with compassion and rely on my humanity.



ALL STARS PROJECT
OF CHICAGO

JAKIRA ROBINSON, 17

DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL FOR YOUTH (2014)
ALUMNI VOLUNTEER (SINCE 2014)

I live on the West Side of Chicago. Two years ago I reached my breaking point with life. I lost a friend to the out-of-control violence that's going on in my city and community. I felt like there wasn't hope for me and that nobody cared about teenagers like me. That all changed when I met the All Stars Project and the Development School for Youth. Initially, I second guessed joining. Other programs I was involved in growing up I either felt like I was being forced to participate, or the program would shut down before it was supposed to finish. All Stars was different. I liked being a part of something I chose to be in. My DSY internship was at AMLI Residential. During my internship, I was able to show off the great professional skills I learned at the DSY workshops, and walk into the office every day with my head held high. Participating in All Stars has changed me a lot. I learned how to be more open and how to let others into my life. I found out that there are people in Chicago who truly care. Most importantly I learned that I can't expect somebody to have confidence in me if I don't have confidence in myself.



ALL STARS PROJECT
OF DALLAS

SANDRA HERNANDEZ, 18

ALL STARS TALENT SHOW NETWORK (SINCE 2014)
YOUNG PEOPLE BUILDING BRIDGES ACROSS DALLAS (2014)

I met the All Stars in summer 2014. I was an upcoming senior in high school and did not know what I really wanted to do with the next four years of my life. Through All Stars and the people I met in the program, I started to find myself, and what I want to do in my life. Now, I want to attend Sam Houston University and double major in physical therapy and nutrition. Then, I want to go back and work to decrease the high percentage of obesity in our community. I would like to start my own youth group in which young individuals know the importance of nutrition. Without the All Stars and their support, I would have no plans for my future.



ALL STARS PROJECT
OF NEW JERSEY

AL-TARIQ JOHNSON, 26

ALL STARS TALENT SHOW NETWORK (2006-2009)
DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL FOR YOUTH (2006)
ALUMNI LEADERSHIP TEAM (SINCE 2014)

I met All Stars at the corner of Broad and Market in the heart of Newark just a few months after I suffered the tragic loss of my brother. Volunteers wearing bright red vests invited me to perform in the All Stars Talent Show Network. At the show, I read a poem that I wrote for my brother, and I won first place. That began my All Stars journey, and I've never looked back. All Stars has showed me how to love, how to be humble, and how to respect all people, no matter who they are or where they're from. At All Stars people saw something in me that I couldn't see and pushed me to be a better person. It hasn't always been easy, but All Stars leaders never stopped believing in me. As an alumnus, I make it my business to tell everyone I know to go and sign up for the All Stars development programs.



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