



Kanye, Age 12

Kanye came to Jonathan's Place scared, confused and traumatized. Raised by drug addicted parents, his home was infested with bugs. They had no running water or air conditioning. One day Kanye found his father dead of a heroin overdose. Police found Kanye scared and crying with his mother, who appeared to be under the influence as well. After failing to comply with police, his mother was arrested and Kanye was brought to Jonathan's Place.

At Jonathan's Place Kanye received a hot meal, a shower and nice clean clothes. Withdrawn and apprehensive, Kanye was leery of getting too close. After a few days at Jonathan's Place he settled in and began to laugh and play.

Kanye's aunt drove 2 hours each week to visit; many times she was unable to make it before the office closed. His case manager would stay late to ensure that his aunt could spend time with him. Kanye's court case lasted longer than anticipated and he was scheduled to be moved in with a foster family. His aunt was terrified that she would not be able to see him once he was relocated to foster care. Jonathan's Place extended his time to make sure that they would not lose touch.

Kanye is now safe with his Aunt because of Jonathan's Place.

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