

THE PTS POST

NEWSLETTER



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LOVE IS IN THE AIR!

February is all about **SHARING THE LOVE** at Path To Shine®, Inc. For just **\$1 per day** this month, you can make a huge impact in the lives of the children we serve. Every facet of the PTS program is **FREE** to the children who put their trust in our mentors. It is generous supporters like you who empower us to continue our work across Georgia. Our annual **SHARE THE LOVE** fundraiser sets the tone for our entire year, and your support enables us to inspire more children in 2023.



As these children journey to find their pathways to success, Path To Shine is there to walk with them, hand-in-hand, saying "We believe in you!" We go where our

mentees lead us, providing inspiration and empowerment along the way to help each child reach for the stars.

Mentorship is how we express our love to the remarkable children we serve. And when we all **SHARE THE LOVE**, more children gain access to the free, transformative mentorship that Path To Shine is known for.

Visit our website to see how you can spread some love and make a tremendous impact in our communities.

CLICK HERE or visit
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This campaign is unique in that everyone can participate, even without making a direct financial contribution. During the month of February, there will be daily opportunities to participate by **LIKING**, **SHARING**, and **COMMENTING** on our social media posts to help spread the word. You can also participate as an ambassador for **SHARE THE LOVE 2023**, and we will provide you a kit with everything you need to help us reach our goal



(simply email us at info@pathtoshine.org and let us know you're interested).

Program Spotlight

Path To Shine
Norton Park

PTS - Norton Park is one of our longest-running programs, and they are absolutely thriving! Recently, PTS-HQ paid them a

visit and was blown away by the close bond of this group. They let off some steam on the playground and then gathered for a quick snack where they got to try Japanese cookies. Then the children spent some individual time with their Mentors, unleashing some serious brain power on math flashcards, grammar homework, and ESL help. But nothing captured the kids' excitement more than when Ms. Christie gave them a thrilling play-by-play of her recent trip to various parts of Africa. She came armed with a full presentation and quizzed the kids on a map of the continent, highlighting the African countries and cities she visited. At each stop along her journey, Ms. Christie posed for a photo holding a picture of her with her PTS group; the children got a kick out of imagining themselves tagging along with Ms. Christie on her adventure. And to everyone's surprise, she revealed a beautiful selection of intricately carved wooden animals that could be seen on any daring African safari - wonderful little gifts for each child...magical little totems that

might inspire these bright young minds to someday visit the world's second-largest continent.

Needless to say, this PTS session perfectly sums up why we do what we do week after week. Not only did the children get some amazing academic and social support from their dedicated Mentors, they also got to experience something



different and informative. These special experiences provide the extra nuggets of inspiration that empower the kids of PTS - Norton Park to DREAM BIG!

Christie and her dedicated group of Mentors do so much to enrich the lives of the children they serve in Norton Park. We so applaud their commitment to providing the loving guidance that helps unlock the kids' greatest potential!

P.S. If you've ever noticed our "Friday Funny" posts on social media, you've seen more of Christie's dedication to Path To Shine. She is our biggest contributor of the corny jokes that will bring giggles (and maybe cringes) to your Fridays during SHARE THE LOVE! 😊



MENTORING MATTERS!

THE NUMBERS DON'T LIE

Mentored youth outpace their peers in numerous areas. The data makes clear why Path To Shine's work is so important. We envision a world where all children have access to life-changing mentorship that unlocks their pathways to success.

MENTORED YOUTH ARE 55% LESS LIKELY TO SKIP A DAY OF SCHOOL

MENTORED YOUTH ARE 78% MORE LIKELY TO VOLUNTEER REGULARLY

90% OF MENTORED YOUTH ARE MORE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MENTOR

MENTORED YOUTH ARE 130% MORE LIKELY TO HOLD LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

MENTORED YOUTH FACING OPPORTUNITY GAPS ARE 55% MORE LIKELY TO ENROLL IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Source: MENTORING.ORG

We hope you feel inspired to **SHARE THE LOVE** because you share the belief that children deserve free access to transformative mentorship. Together, we can grow Path To Shine and empower more children to unlock their greatest potential!

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