



## “An Immigrant's Story”

“I came to Santa Fe for the ESOL (English Speakers of Other Languages) class and then moved into the GED classes. In my hometown in Mexico I just finished elementary school. I had to go to work and I didn't have an opportunity for education. When I found out about the Brighter Futures Project helped me get into the Construction Department and now I'm in the Apprenticeship Program and am working as an electrician in town.” - Jose



## “No More Lies”

“I just wanted to get my GED so I could stop lying on job applications. I have three kids and they keep asking me, *when you get your GED, what are you going to do Mommy? What are you going to do?*, so of course like any good parent I answered, *I'm going to go to college*. I was telling them the story that they needed to hear, but I didn't believe it. Then a friend told me about the Brighter Futures program and it was on from there. I got my CPR, my C.N.A., and now I'm enrolled in college classes and on my way. I'm getting my AA in Health Sciences so I can go into any health care program I chose.” - Eureka



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# STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

**Brighter Futures Project**  
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Helping Low Income Individuals Gain the Skills and Credentialing Necessary to Achieve Middle Skill Jobs and Improve Their Future.



### “Doing Life”

“I dropped out of school at the beginning of my 10th grade year in 1978 and I started doing life. I always had a self-esteem issue when it came to my lack of education. Now I can actually see myself going to college and becoming a college graduate. In the summer I will be enrolling in classes in Santa Fe College’s Business Department.” - Barbara



### What we do...

The Brighter Futures Project helps students with training, resources, and support to complete a certificate, industry credential program or degree. The goal is to help students gain skills and find a better paying job that can lead to a better life for students and their family.

In addition to financial assistance, the Brighter Futures Project is able to provide continual support (tutoring, counseling, etc.) to remove roadblocks that hinder our students’ success.

We are here to get you ready to work!



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### “Helping Others”

“I didn’t have many choices when I was younger, and after my daughters were born I could not go to school. I had to go to work. When I had the time and opportunity I came to Santa Fe for the GED program. I think it is great that Santa Fe provides the community with these opportunities. It fulfills me just to come to campus everyday, and I just wish that more people could benefit from the Brighter Futures Project. I’ve always enjoyed helping with people; now I’m in Santa Fe’s C.N.A. program and classes are going great! I always tell young people that it is never too late to start a career if you want one. You just need to take an opportunities like the Brighter Futures Project when it present itself. I hope that the Brighter Futures Project will continue, not for me, but for other people; I think everyone in the community will benefit from that.” - Carlos

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