



SUMMER 2023



Stories of Moms in Bloom

YEAR-TO-DATE 2023: YOU'VE PROVIDED...

115

SINGLE MOMS SERVED WITH
640 TOTAL SERVICE HOURS

48

SINGLE MOMS PREPARED FOR NEW
OR HIGHER PAYING JOBS; WITH
NEWLY EMPLOYED MOMS EARNING
AN AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARY
INCREASE OF \$22,500

73

MOMS ATTENDING HOME
OWNERSHIP CLASSES AND/OR
ENGAGING IN OUR FINANCIAL
LITERACY CURRICULUM

178

MOMS ATTENDING
PARENTING CLASSES & MOMS NIGHT
COMMUNITY-BUILDING EVENTS

MicroLoan Grant Recipient Pays it Forward

Sa'rai, a single mom of three, started receiving services from EMA in 2019 and quickly made progress.

In 2020, Sa'rai was awarded Emerge Mothers Academy's MicroLoan Grant and a year of business mentoring to grow her business, The Clean Up, a VIP cleaning service for exclusive events, vendors, and private parties. Reflecting on her experience Sa'rai shares,



"I was nervous to be in front of the panel, but as we worked through my business plan and pitch, I realized that everyone was there to help me succeed. Not only was I selected, but I was also given one-on-one support throughout the following 12-months."

A community of women supporting women

Sa'rai has grown The Clean Up into a profitable company and plans to continue growing her company and employing other women.

With the success Sa'rai experienced, she felt a strong desire to "pay it forward" for other moms. In 2022, she joined the Emerge Mothers Academy board of directors and is using her leadership skills, lived experience as a single mom, and business acumen to guide EMA towards greater impact for other mom-led families.

A full circle moment for Sa'rai and Emerge Mothers Academy

Becca Erickson, Executive Director of Emerge Mothers Academy, remarked that, *It has been a tremendous honor to come alongside Sa'rai all the way to the point that she has elevated her life to build a business, employ others, serve on our board, and help guide our work to impact the lives of other mom-led families. What a full circle moment. This community of caring and generous moms that supports each other is the real power of EMA!*

Your Support Celebrates & Encourages Single Moms

Thanks to the support of donors, seven moms received professional photoshoots, digital prints and heirloom-quality photo canvases to celebrate them on Mother's Day. **Thank you!**



Scan the QR code for more information or to buy tickets.

A Community of Moms Working Towards Stability

Emerge Mothers Academy hosts a monthly *Mom's Night*, which offers women a chance to connect, encourage each other & learn from subject matter experts.



Recent education topics have included financial literacy, how to establish healthy routines, home ownership readiness, and a family service project.

Thank you for making it possible to provide an encouraging community and learning opportunities for the moms of Emerge Mothers Academy. **Your generosity matters to the moms and kids of Emerge Mothers Academy!**

Encourage, Equip & Embrace a Single Mom with Your Monthly Donation



All new monthly donors (or existing monthly donors who increase their gift) will be entered into a drawing for a prize at the end of June!

YOU are invited to join our exclusive group of Monthly Donors who make a large collective impact by encouraging, equipping, and embracing the single moms of Emerge Mothers Academy (EMA).

It's easy and convenient to become a Monthly Donor, and you can cancel your gift at any time. Set-up your monthly donation in any amount via:

- Credit or debit card
- ACH from a checking or savings account
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