



## **Center for Family Services - Mother Child Residential**

## **A 2021 SUCCESS STORY FEATURING...**

### **VICTORIA**

Victoria lived in an unhealthy living situation where it was often difficult to pay rent. She was constantly put down emotionally by her partner, and experienced an unexpected miscarriage caused by the stress she endured in the household. Her special needs child was not in school, and she did not know how to change her situation. With a ninth-grade education and no work experience, her confidence and esteem were severely affected.

In February of 2020, Victoria and her child became homeless and came to Center For Family Services' Mother Child program after finally deciding to leave her abusive and controlling relationship. She was able to get the support, resources, life skills, and counseling she needed to become self-sufficient, stable, and safe. At Mother Child, she learned parenting skills, interviewing skills, and began to obtain her confidence in herself once more.

Today, Victoria has a part time job and lives in permanent housing. Her child is in school, and Victoria is working toward getting her GED. She feels more confident about her future. She stated, "Mother Child was there at my lowest and helped me to stay focused when I felt all hope was gone. I am very appreciative for Mother Child."