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ONE STEP AT A TIME - - March 2013

When Richard G., 14, initially came to live in Ettie Lee's John Eccles Home in July, he was in sad shape. Dad had died a few years ago, mom was not a consistent force in his life, his GPA was 1.93,

he used drugs and spent a lot of time painting graffiti. Fast forward 7 months and Richard has made great strides in his behavior as well as academics. "In fact," said Jennifer Yang, Clinical Supervisor John Eccles Home, "He wowed us with his academic performance." Since coming to Ettie Lee, Richard has earned more than 35 credits and is only 2 credits short of graduating the 9th grade!. Ettie Lee's highly trained, consistent and caring staff members recognized Richard's weaknesses and strengths and steadily worked with him to get him to this point. In fact, Richard has had the benefit of most of Ettie Lee's services. Academically he became motivated to complete school work. Working with Ettie Lee's drug and alcohol staff he has been drug free for about four months. After 6 months in group care, Moana Richardson, John Eccles' Group Home Administrator, recommended that Richard be placed in Foster Care as he could not reunify with his family. Karen Cash, Director of Ettie Lee's Foster Family Agency, working with Jennifer Yang, agreed that the move would be good for Richard.

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attend school and receive mental health services regularly with the help and support of Ettie Lee's dedicated staff and Rosario's teenage-friendly home.

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