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Stories of positive generational change, foundational learning, and hope for the “best days” yet to come!



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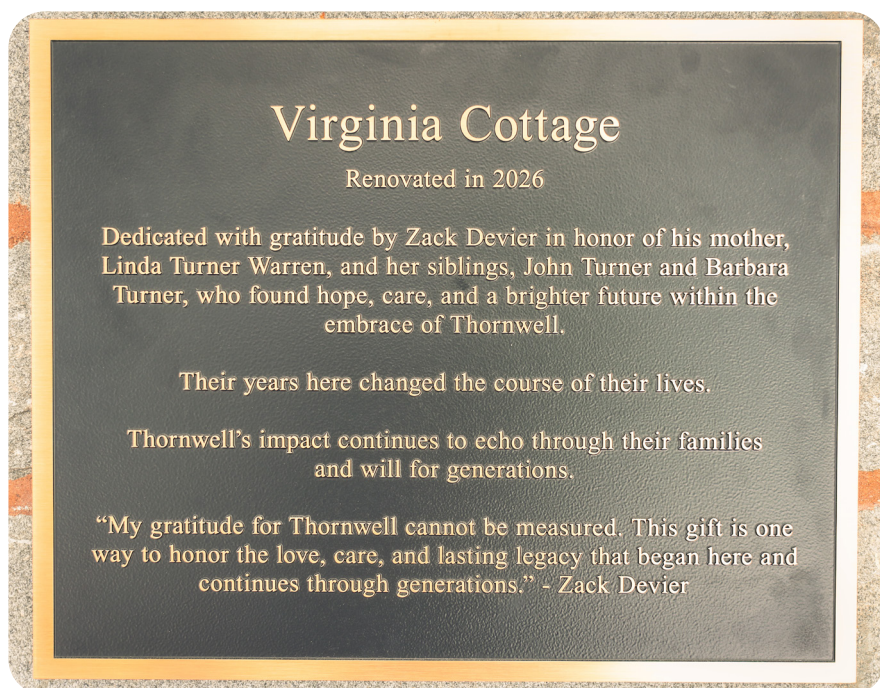
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A Gift That Changes Generations



On a warm June day, friends of Thornwell gathered to celebrate more than the renovation of a home on Thornwell's campus. As the ribbon was cut at historic Virginia Cottage, it marked the continuation of a story that began decades ago—one rooted in hope, shaped by care, and carried forward through generations.

For Zack Devier, that story is personal.



Long before Virginia Cottage became part of Thornwell's Foster Care Village, his mother, Linda Turner Warren, and her siblings, John and Barbara Turner, found refuge on this campus as children. What they experienced here—structure, care, and opportunity—helped alter the trajectory of their lives in ways still unfolding today.

"It's a domino effect," Zack shared. "Generations of lives are impacted by what happens in one place, at one time."

That belief led to a transformational gift to renovate Virginia Cottage, now a vital home within the Thornwell Foster Care Village which is an intentional campus-based community designed to surround children and foster families with support, stability, and belonging.

But for Zack, one aspect of the Village stood out above all.

In a foster care system where siblings are often separated, Thornwell's model creates space for families to stay together, preserving the relationships that help children navigate some of life's hardest moments.

"I can't imagine losing your parents and then losing your siblings too," he said. "To be able to prevent that—that's huge."

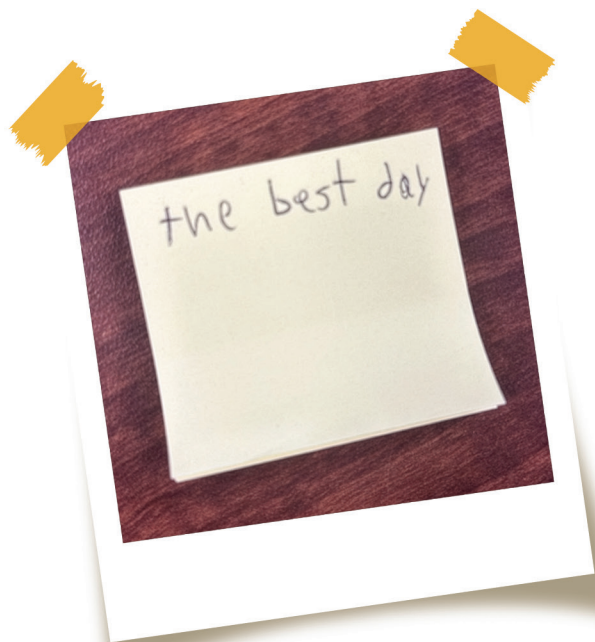
Virginia Cottage stands as a tribute to the impact Thornwell had on Zack's family. Dedicated in honor of his mother and her siblings, the home reflects a legacy not defined by recognition but by the lives it has changed.

"My gratitude for Thornwell cannot be measured," Zack said. "This gift is one way to honor the love, care, and lasting legacy that began here and continues through generations."

Today, Virginia Cottage is more than a renovated space. It is a place where new stories begin, where children will find consistency, families will find support, and hope will take root again.

And just as it did for one family years ago, the impact will not stop at the front door.

It will echo quietly and powerfully through generations yet to come.



Sometimes, Hope Fits on a Post-it Note

It was a simple note, written in a child's handwriting—but it captured everything.

“The best day.”

Mario, a small boy with a big smile, held it up proudly, waving at our Thornwell Community Counseling staff at the end of their first day at the Boys & Girls Club. In that moment, the impact was unmistakable.

Moments like this don't happen by accident. They are made possible through partnerships, and through the generosity of people like YOU who believe in Thornwell's mission.

Through Thornwell Community Counseling's partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Grand Strand, children receive mental health education and support in a place they already know and trust. Through simple, meaningful activities, they learn to understand and express their emotions in a safe, welcoming space.

Families benefit too! Because of your generosity, Thornwell is creating new opportunities to build trust with parents and caregivers, opening the door to conversations about mental health, resources, and everyday challenges.

This is what it looks like to meet families where they are — turning ordinary moments into opportunities for connection, healing, and growth.

YOU MADE GREAT DAYS HAPPEN!



When individuals and organizations work together in service of the community, their impact is multiplied! It is in trusted spaces where children and families are already invested that we can reduce stigma, increase awareness, and create clearer pathways to care.

And because of the support of faithful donors like you, this work continues to reach more children and families in meaningful ways.

But sometimes, the impact is best expressed in the simplest way.

“The best day.”

Because of your generosity, more children will experience moments like this—moments of connection, confidence, and care that can shape their future. **Thank you for making days like this possible!**



A Place Where Children Flourish—and Families Feel the Difference



Adalynn was just two years old when she first walked through the doors of Thornwell Child Development Center, stepping into a world that would shape so much of who she would become. From the very beginning, her family knew they had found something special.

“Adalynn has been at Thornwell CDC since she was just two years old, and it truly has been the best educational place we could have ever chosen for our child,” says Adalynn’s mom.

Inside those classrooms, learning looked like play—blocks stacked high, stories shared on colorful rugs, and friendships formed in the simplest moments. But behind it all, something deeper was happening. Adalynn was building confidence, learning to connect, and discovering who she was in a place where she felt safe and valued.

Her teachers and the CDC staff became a steady presence in her life—guiding, encouraging, and showing up day after day.

“Watching her grow, learn, and build friendships here has meant so much to our family,” says Adalynn’s mom.

Through every milestone, big and small, there were caring adults cheering her on. These were teachers who didn’t just teach, but who truly knew her.

“We are so thankful for the teachers who loved and guided her every day. Mrs. Pam, Ms. Tasha, Ms. Courtney, Ms. Abby, and Ms. Caitlyn — thank you for pouring so much into our girl. You will always hold a special place in our hearts.”

That’s what makes Thornwell CDC different.

YOU BELIEVED IN ACCESS TO QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION!

It's not just about preparing children for kindergarten—it's about preparing them for life. Through meaningful relationships, hands-on learning, and a nurturing environment, children build the foundation for confidence, curiosity, and connection.

Now, the little girl who once walked in holding mom's hand tightly is ready for her next big step. Kindergarten!

"We will miss Thornwell CDC so much, but we are so proud of you, Adalynn. Kindergarten, here she comes!"

She leaves ready—not just academically, but emotionally and socially—because she was supported every step of the way by her family, her teachers, and by generous donors like you. Thank you!





Thanks for ensuring our **Momentum Summer Camp** students had fun in the sun this summer, all while learning and making lasting memories!



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- Make a gift that is not subject to the deduction limits on charitable gifts

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