

A Steady Job Makes All the Difference

Jeffrey received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, but he unfortunately developed PTSD while serving. Jeffrey self-medicated due to the severity of it, nearly losing his fiancée and daughter until he sought treatment. His service dog, Khonan, became a part of ongoing treatment to manage his disability. However, having a service dog and PTSD made maintaining a job one of this veteran's greatest challenges.

After successfully completing treatment, Jeffrey got the life-changing chance he needed when the Veterans Administration referred him to Goodwill Industries of South Texas. Their job training and placement program – a program supported by United Way of the Coastal Bend – led to a job interview and temporary employment with JCPenny. Due to his hard work, that seasonal position turned into a full-time career in sales for both Jeffrey and Khonan (who received his own official name tag).



These are the people whose lives you change when you support United Way of the Coastal Bend. Your donations help fund partner agency programs that provide a hand-up for people like Jeffrey and change things for good. Our community is stronger and more powerful when we live united.

Send Us Your Story

Are you a current donor of United Way of the Coastal Bend and received help at some point from a social service? We want to hear from you.

Please send an email with your story and contact information to stephanie.russell@uwcb.org.

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Board Spotlight

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