CLIENT OF THE YEAR Felicia Lytle

Felicia, Community Action Opportunities' Lead Head Start Teacher at Haw Creek, participated in the SECURE matched savings pilot program for childcare workers (funded by Buncombe County). After online classes and appointments with her counselor, Felicia complete SECURE with money skills and an \$840 match for her savings!

Felicia says: "Before going through the program at OnTrack I was just paying bills and living paycheck to paycheck. With taking the classes at OnTrack I was able to look at my financial situation and change things to have a better understanding of where my money was going and how to start saving for several different things.



Now I have savings for emergencies and vacation."

From Ellen Szedon, the OnTrack counselor who worked with Felicia:

"Felicia. Is. Awesome. She applied so much of what she learned in classes for



SECURE (Money Foundations & Money Visioning and Goal Setting) to her money life that by the time she got to our appointment, I was taking notes from her! Her dedication to organizing her finances, saving for emergencies as part of SECURE, and saving for family vacations and other priorities was extremely impressive. When I told her so, she said, 'I'm impressed with myself too. I didn't think I could be disciplined enough to save. Seeing it on paper helped me see what I was wasting."

Congratulations Felicia!