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STORY OF PERSEVERANCE

Frei

As a mother of four children, Frei experienced

her worst nightmare with the unexpected passing of her son. The trauma that followed became almost more than she could bear. Frei lost her job, her home, and at times had no transportation, yet found the strength to persevere.

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For me, Good Careers Academy has meant stability. Earning my Nurse's Aide certification will open doors for me to earn more income and take care of my family.

Frei obtained an associate degree and worked in the social services field. She dreamed of earning her bachelor's degree, but could not commit to the two to three years it would take to complete. Frei needed an immediate income, and employment became even more critical in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Frei learned about Goodwill San Antonio's Good Careers Academy and the Nurse's Aide program, which would provide her the means to earn a skilled credential, increase her wage potential, and place her on a career path. Her tuition was covered and the program offered the flexibility Frei needed to obtain an education while caring for her daughter.

Her training has inspired new ambitions to become a Licensed Vocational or Registered Nurse.

Frei is an example for her children, illustrating that no matter the obstacle, instead of being indebted to the past, one must find the strength to overcome.

Read Frei's entire story at goodwillsa.org/about/success-stories

