

SAVES Program

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In December 2016, life changed for a 16-year-old Cuban young man, David Evora, who became part of the Spanish GED program at Robert Morgan Educational Center and Technical College. After arriving from Cuba with his family, Mr. Evora came to the school to inquire about the possibility to earn his high school diploma or its equivalent, as well as to learn English as a second language, so he could continue with his education.

After speaking with a counselor, Mr. Evora was referred to the SAVES office because he was eligible for the program. As many immigrant families, David's family was facing financial difficulties and could not afford to pay the fees for his classes and books. The SAVES program paid him the block tuition fees his books, and GED tests.

Mr. Evora completed the GED program in Spanish on August 2017. He then enrolled in the Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes to improve his English, math, and reading skills to be able to take the Test for Adult Basic Education (TABE) and obtain the scores that are required to enroll in a career technical program. By April 2019 He was admitted at the Practical Nursing program. The SAVES program paid the Tuition fees for Nursing classes, as well as books.

rently waiting for the approval to take his license test to start his career in nursing. David is thankful to the staff members at Robert Morgan, especially to Ms. Silverang, one of his teachers, and he is grateful for the SAVES program for providing him this opportunity to pursue his career.



David completed the Practical Nursing program on January 2021, and he is cur-