

## Becoming DADS

Our Becoming DADS parenting course is going strong! We are currently in our fourth class for 2023 with Graduation slated for Jan 2024. The goal of the Becoming Dads curriculum is to help men in challenging situations to take more responsibility and action to heal and make changes necessary to become the dad their children need. So that their children can thrive and be successful for the next generation. We are excited to see the growth of this class where the curriculum stems from Marvin and Jeanett's story, their faith, their own growth experience and the love they share for reconciliation of families across this nation.



## Pablo's Story



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## In Loving Memory of Pop Cheatem



Pablo was first introduced to DADS back in 2005 but recently has sought DADS help and guidance with custody issues for his 11-year-old son. His son was living with his mother up until 2023. With his son's mother not being stable Pablo was called to take over his care. In April this year we gave Pablo guidance and coaching on his family dynamic and by June he had joined our Becoming DADS parenting class and completed the course. In that time, he was on a journey. He found work in construction and is working on getting his driver's license reinstated. His son is thriving in his father's care and is an outstanding athlete! Pablo was awarded temporary custody and pursuing full custody currently. We continue this journey with Pablo because his story isn't over, but we are so proud of all the success he has had on his fatherhood trek.

With the recent loss of Marvin's father he wants to extend a Big thank you to all who gave condolences, sent flowers, and attended Pop Cheatem's service. Your efforts mean so much to the Charles Family. Keep them in your prayers during this season.



## Hablamos Español

Did you know DADS speaks Spanish?! In DADS efforts to reach all fathers and families of every nation we have extended our services to better include the Spanish speaking population in this community. DADS seeks to reunite ALL fathers to their families so three years ago they sought out and hired Maria to help with our Spanish speaking cliental. In 2021 DADS reported that our Spanish speaking population was only 11% and so far in 2023 we are at 16% and growing! DADS work knows no bounds!



**Seattle and Tacoma offices thank you for your support!**  
**Here are some key ways to support our DADS growing organization**

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 TO DONATE

- Sign up for monthly or yearly recurring giving
- Sponsorship at our annual Fatherhood banquet
- Attend our Banquet or a Becoming DADS class graduations
- Join our DADS Board
- Encourage your company or organization to become a DADS partner

HAPPY  
 Thanks  
 giving

### Wide Reach

Over the past 25 years, DADS has reached fathers in nearly 30 states and across 5 countries.

The Legacy of  
 Fatherhood  
 A Worldwide Impact

**5,252**  
 total parents served

**13,250**  
 total children served

**325**  
 average families/year

\*Nearly 50% of clients served each year are new to DADS.

### No Wrong Door

**59%**  
 history of incarceration

**19%**  
 history of substance use

**82%**  
 identify as men of color

### Best Part of DADS?

**"Being able to sit around the table with other men like myself that share similar situations."**

**8,350**  
 services provided

DADS has provided over 20,000 hours of fathering support over the past 25 years.

### Quality Support

Custody/Visitation **3474**

Child Support **2788**

Re-Entry **1273**

Guidance/Coaching **1077**

55% of fathers at DADS are paying their full monthly child support payment.