A 2003 study of 155 recipients revealed that owning a car has a significant impact on the earning ability of the individual and the lifestyle of the entire family. The study revealed 73% of Vehicles for Change (VFC) recipients obtained better jobs/promotions and increased their income by an average of $4,558.00.

Recipients feel better about themselves, the independence they have gained and what they can do for their children. They are feeling healthier and less stressed. They are attending religious services on a regular basis, caring for aging family members and spending more time with family and friends.

Most importantly their car has helped strengthen the family structure. The children have more opportunities than ever. After school activities, sports and recreational programs are the most common. All customers stated they are now able to get their children to doctor's appointments and daycare.

**STUDY OF 155 RECIPIENTS HAVING CARS FOR OVER SIX MONTHS**

**73% HAVE OBTAINED BETTER JOBS**
- $4,558.00 Average Annual Salary Increase

**LIFESTYLE CHANGES**
- 92% Feel More Independent
- 90% Feel Opportunities Have Increased
- 90% Decreased Stress
- 71% Have Improved Health
- 82% Overall Life Has Improved
- 85% Attend Religious Services Regularly
- 21% Attending School
- 87% Spend Additional Time With Family And Friends
- 55% Care For Aging Family Members

**THE CHILDREN**
- 100% Take Children To Doctors Appointments
- 100% Drive Children To Daycare
- 94% Take Children To New Activities
- 47% To After School Activities
- 40% To Sports Related Activities
- 63% To Other Activities Mostly Recreational/Leisure

**THE CAR**
- 80% Feel The Car Is Reliable
- 1.5 - Average Number Of Car Repairs After 6 Months
- $173 - Average Cost Per Repair
- 79% Have Had Oil Changed
- 30% Have Had Tune-Up