

**Overview of Getting Ahead In A Just Gettin'-By-World
At Grandview Heights Elementary School
2342 Clifton Ave.
Memphis, TN 38127
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Facilitator:

Miss Johnnie M. Hatten

Participants:

**Average Income Range: \$7,000.00 to
\$23,000.00 per year**

Age range: 18 to 61 years old

Gender: Two males and thirteen females

**Ethnicity: African- American, White, and
Hispanic**

**Educational Level: Some high school to some
college classes**

Place of Birth: Majority was born in Memphis

**Class Make-up: Parent with students in
Memphis City School**

Research Study:

- Per mental models, the parents increased their willingness to become successful by 33%.
- Three out of ten increased their income by 40%.
- Six out of ten maintained a stabilized living environment.
- Two of the ten parents are community leaders.
- One of the parents, join the United States Marine Corps.

Impact by the Parents:

The parents completed 30 volunteer hours at his/her child's school or within the community.

The parents researched resources within the Frayser/Local community, and discovered 45 relevant resources/agencies to assist their families. These resources were compiled into a resource book for the participants.

The parents completed a community service project with Memphis City Beautiful.

Some of the parent began using the hidden-rule of the middle class by saving their \$20.00 gift card for emergency use/money to purchase Christmas gifts.

The parents began a project to help get more Frayser residents to the polls and vote.

Three of the parents decided to go back to school to get their GED.

Two of the parents decided to start their own in-home business operation.