

8,800 STUDENTS • 16 SCHOOLS • 4 DISTRICTS



United Way Community Schools advance student success by meeting students' and families basic needs and building trusting relationships. Over the past year, Community Schools reported:

- **Improved** academic growth
- **More** students and families basic needs meet
- **Increased** student and family engagement
- **Improved** attendance and behavior
- **Improved** school culture

Student Academic Growth

Most United Way community schools improved academic growth over the previous year, compared to statewide standards.

93% of community schools **met or exceeded** Pennsylvania growth standards in math

81% of community schools **met or exceeded** Pennsylvania growth standards in reading

6,916 COMMUNITY CLOSET VISITS

➤ access to basic needs on-site at school buildings

347 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

➤ served through trauma case management

“Learning is THE KEY to opportunity and Community Schools are aimed squarely at leveling the playing field, making opportunities available to all. This is a model that works.” **Tim NeCastro, Erie Insurance CEO**

ERIE'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- Diehl Elementary School
- East Middle School
- Edison Elementary School
- Grover Cleveland Elementary School
- Harding Elementary School
- Jefferson Elementary School
- JoAnna Connell Elementary School
- Lincoln Elementary School
- McKinley Elementary School
- Perry Elementary School
- Pfeiffer-Burleigh Elementary School
- Strong Vincent Middle School
- Woodrow Wilson Middle School

GIRARD SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Elk Valley Elementary School

IROQUOIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Iroquois Elementary School

UNION CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Union City Elementary School

CORPORATE & FUNDING PARTNERS

- Accudyn Products, Inc.
- American Tinning & Galvanizing Anonymous
- Custom Engineering
- Erie Insurance
- Eriez Magnetics
- Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield
- Larson Texts, Inc. & Big Ideas Learning LLC
- Lincoln Recycling
- Matrix Tool, Inc.
- Reddog Industries, Inc.
- Reed Manufacturing Company
- Smith Provision Company, Inc.
- Team Hardinger Transportation Company
- TechnipFMC
- Wabtec Corporation
- Widget Financial
- Women United for Community Schools



United Way of Erie County

10 YEARS • 20,000 GRADUATES • ONE MILLION BOOKS

The Imagination Library for Erie County is celebrating 10 years in the community! Thanks to you, children are receiving FREE, high-quality age- and developmentally appropriate books to children from birth to their 5th birthday at no cost to families.

Remember: While Dolly Parton started the program in her hometown, she doesn't fund the books! That's only possible thanks to YOUR support of United Way of Erie County.



Parents of children receiving Imagination Library books say they read together more often and this activity, coupled with close adult-child interaction using Imagination Library activities, improves the child's speaking skills and vocabulary. We also celebrate these incredible impact numbers as of August 2023.

- **1,075,800** books mailed since program inception
- **20,159** graduates
- **28,777** children served as of July 2013
- **8,618** children currently enrolled

Outcome

Children in Erie County enter kindergarten ready to learn.

FREE • CONFIDENTIAL • AVAILABLE 24/7/365

United Way's 211 Helpline is the social service equivalent to 911. Thanks to you, we're connecting struggling individuals and families to the help they need when they need it so the home environment is stable and supported.

Impact numbers for June 2022 - July 2023 include:

- **3,887** contacts made
- **8,194** referrals to assistance
- **6,500+** services in the database

United Way is committed to working with valued impact partners and supporters like you who make it possible for us to continue to innovate and improve the service and make it available to more people in our community.

Outcome

Quick connection to help for anyone in Erie County.



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