



Education & Mentoring

Empowering children and providing them with the tools to thrive in our community is a priority.

Success After 6

232 children participate in after-school programming, weekly enrichment, tutoring, arts, and wellness programs. **9** schools are a part of the program, with **80%** of children attending on average.

543 tutoring sessions were held through **VELLO** for **40** students.

100 students at Youngstown Community School met with Mentors from around the community to review grades, attendance, and behavior. Mentees set goals for themselves to improve their grades with the help of the mentors.

35 girls from Boardman and Taft were supported by **28** professional women from all walks of life. Our volunteer mentors and mentees attend weekly sessions which have reflected in improved behavior and performance in the classroom.

Over the years, we've found that establishing meaningful relationships with students is one of the strongest ways to track a child's growth and inspire them to continue working to be their best. Companies and individuals across the Mahoning Valley have stepped up to this challenge and work to form life-changing connections.

Thousands of students receive help through Care Closets, food pantries, our vision program, and other wrap-around services.

Success By 6

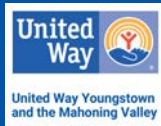
588 children across **18** school districts participated in our summer Kindergarten Readiness Initiative. Focuses include math, literacy, and social emotional development.

Students who completed the program displayed a **9 point overall gain**, based on the new assessment from the Ohio Early Childhood Learning Standards.

6,441 children are enrolled to receive a monthly book directly to their home at no cost from birth to age 5. Since 2019, partnering with Ohio Governor Mike DeWine and Akron Children's Hospital has expanded our reach.

"We get to do activities with the girls. Share our knowledge with them. I think these young ladies need mentors. It's good for women to participate and lend some different information and companionship to these girls."

- Patricia Watson, United Way Mentor



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