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**OUR MISSION IS TO
HELP THEM SUCCEED.**

ARE YOU IN?

**United
Way**



United Way of Erie County



United Way is a local social impact organization working to break the cycle of poverty in Erie County.

The money **RAISED** in Erie County **STAYS** in Erie County!


Total Local Investment:

\$3,102,636

MISSION:

CRUSH POVERTY

UnitedWayErie.org/Funding



To break the
cycle of poverty,
we know
education
is the key.

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STUDENT SUCCESS IMPACT INVESTMENTS

Children from low-income households face many challenges that keep them from learning in school. Your support helps break down and remove barriers so ALL children can be successful. Your support is helping to level the playing field for student success.



STUDENT SUCCESS IMPACT INVESTMENTS

IMAGINATION LIBRARY = providing FREE high-quality, age and developmentally appropriate books monthly to children from birth to their fifth birthday

Outcome: Children in Erie County enter kindergarten ready to learn.

Total investment: \$254,391

Your investment in action:

- 971,000+ books distributed
- 26,915 children served

Since 2013





STUDENT SUCCESS IMPACT INVESTMENTS

RAISING READERS = making sure children are reading at grade-level so they don't fall behind and drop out of school

Outcome: Children in Erie County stay on track to graduate.

Total investment: \$315,809

Your investment in action:

- 2,965 students served by targeted attendance strategies and safer walking routes to school
- 7,775 Kindergarten Registration flyers distributed throughout Erie County by 35 community partners
- 2,067 children and students served through PLAYTime!





STUDENT SUCCESS IMPACT INVESTMENTS

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS = stripping away non-academic barriers to learning that low-income children face, from basic needs to trauma counseling to dental/vision health supports and much more.

Outcome: Students in Erie County achieve academic success.

Total investment: \$2,064,808

Your investment in action:

- 13 community schools serving 7, 251 students
- Over 5,000 visits to school community closets
- 234 after-school programs or services offered
- 664 student, staff and family engagement events held



WHAT ARE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS?

The Community Schools Model aligns community and school resources to address the specific barriers preventing students, and their families, from being successful.

This evidence-based model supports student success by removing the Barrier Beast!



**IMPROPER
CLOTHES**



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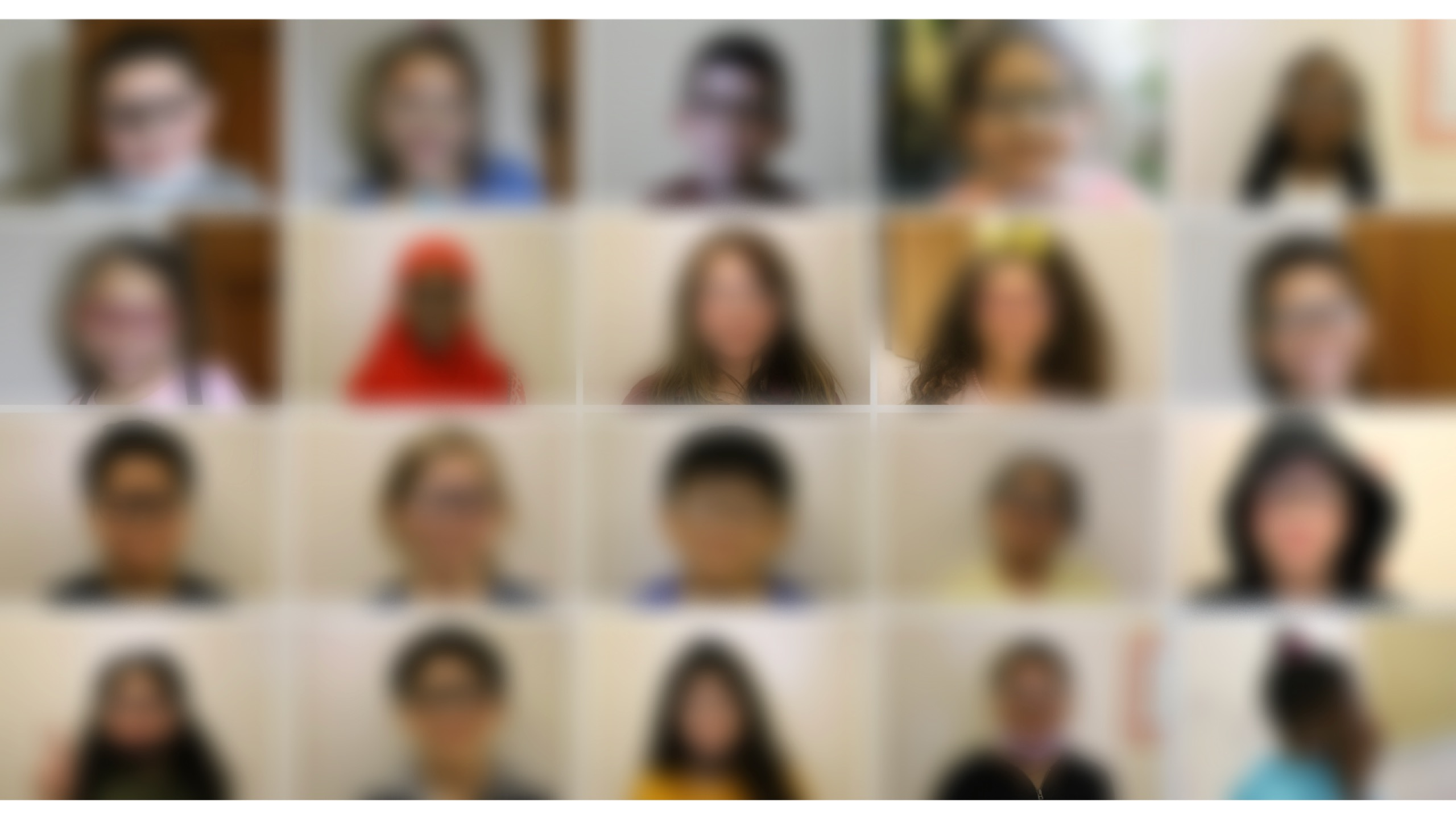


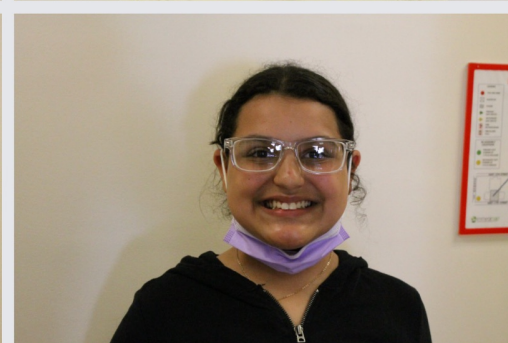
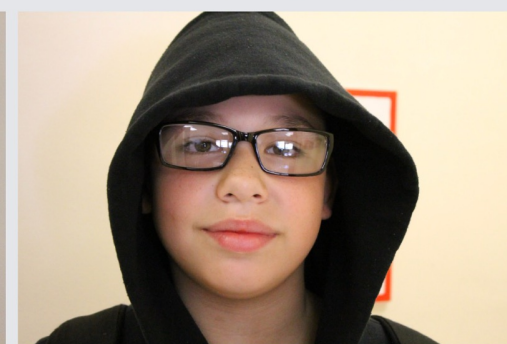
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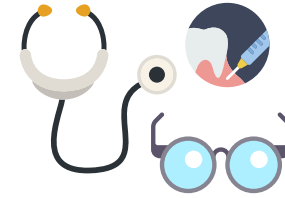








Food & Nutrition



Vision, Medical & Dental



Clothes



Behavioral Health



Safe Routes to School



Arts & Music



Supplies & Resources



Family Literacy



SCHOOL IN ERIE COUNTY



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FAMILY STABILITY IMPACT INVESTMENTS

Children are affected not only by their school environment, but all by what happens out of school. Family stability directly impacts how a child learns and performs in school. Your support provides resources to help families become and stay stable.



FAMILY STABILITY IMPACT INVESTMENTS

ERIE FREE TAXES = helping hard working low-to moderate income families get free tax preparation and take advantage of the earned income tax credit

Outcome: Families in Erie County are financially stable.

Total Investment: \$197,429

Your investment in action:

- 5,638 federal returns processed
- \$10.6 million federal refund dollars earned
- \$1.5 million estimated tax filer savings

Earn It
Keep It
Save It
United Way Erie FREE Taxes





FAMILY STABILITY IMPACT INVESTMENTS

211 HELPLINE = connecting individuals and families to the help they need when they need it so that the home environment is stable and supported.

Outcome: Quick connection to help for anyone in Erie County.

Total investment: \$115,065

Your investment in action:

- 3,390 contacts made
- 6,518 referrals to assistance
- 6,197 services in the database





OTHER STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS

OTHER STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS = funds available to respond in times of emergencies and to priority community needs

Outcome: Helping the Erie County community with the unexpected.

Total investment: \$155,134

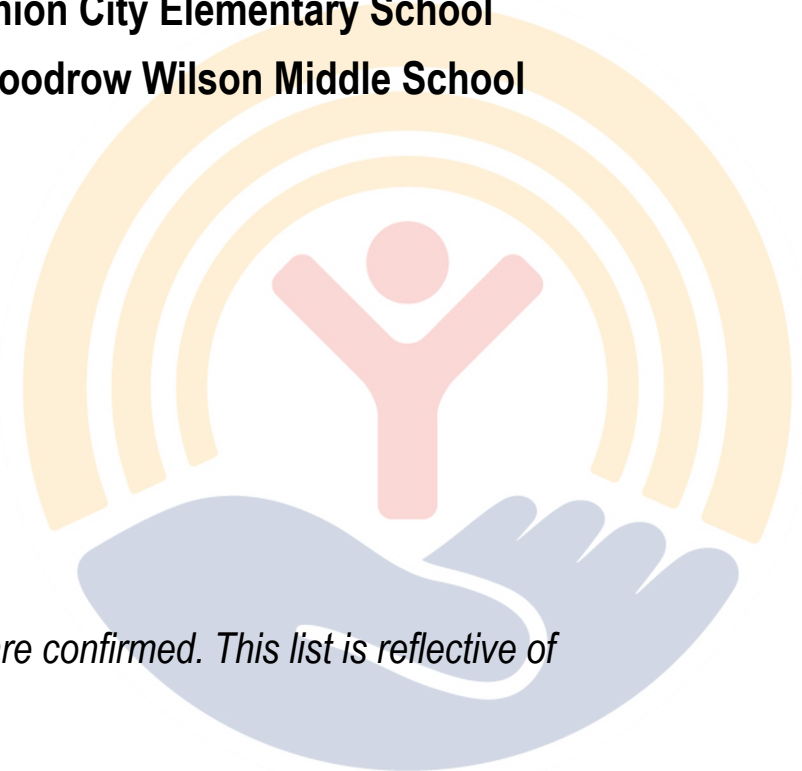


2022-2023 UNITED WAY FUNDED IMPACT PARTNERS

Achievement Center of LECOM Health
Blue Coats Initiative of Erie's Public Schools
Booker T. Washington Center
Diehl Elementary School
Early Connections
East Middle School
Edison Elementary School
Elk Valley Elementary School
Erie Family Center
Erie Playhouse
Family Services of NW PA

Gannon University
GECAC
Grover Cleveland Elementary School
Jefferson Elementary School
JoAnna Connell Elementary School
Lincoln Elementary School
Hamot Health Foundation
Harding Elementary School
Iroquois Elementary School
McKinley Elementary School
Multicultural Community Resource Center
National Night Out Event Organizers

Perry Elementary School
Pfeiffer-Burleigh Elementary School
Strong Vincent Middle School
UPMC Western Behavioral Health at Safe Harbor
Union City Elementary School
Woodrow Wilson Middle School



Note: United Way's funding impact partners will be added to throughout the year as other partnerships are confirmed. This list is reflective of partnerships in place as of June 30, 2022.

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