

10,500 STUDENTS • 17 SCHOOLS • 4 DISTRICTS

UNITED WAY
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS



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.

 **69%** of community schools **met or exceeded** Pennsylvania growth standards in math

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

2023-2024 School Year Impact

14,120 COMMUNITY CLOSET VISITS ➤ access to basic needs on-site at school buildings

8,557 STUDENTS SERVED ➤ through community school supports

CORPORATE & FUNDING PARTNERS

Accudyn Products, Inc. • American Tinning & Galvanizing • Anonymous • Custom Engineering
Erie Community Foundation • Erie Federal Credit Union • Erie Insurance • ERIEBANK • Eriez Magnetics • Finish Thompson Inc.
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ERIE'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Diehl Elementary School
East Middle School
Edison Elementary School
Erie High 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

“*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**

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11 YEARS • 30,000 CHILDREN SERVED • ONE MILLION+ BOOKS

The Imagination Library for Erie County has been in the community for more than 10 years! 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 July 2024.

- **1,171,049** books mailed since program inception
- **22,104** graduates
- **30,473** children served as of July 2013
- **8,369** 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 2023 - July 2024 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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