

# YOUR UNITED WAY BRINGS IT ALL TOGETHER

United Way has a unique model of bringing together leaders from businesses, communities, nonprofits and government to focus on education. Only together can we find innovative ideas and solutions to complex issues.

**Are you looking to volunteer?** Make a difference through United Way:

**Community Chapters:** Join a community chapter in your hometown to expand United Way's core initiatives in education, income and health.

**Women's Leadership Council (WLC):** WLC harnesses women's leadership, volunteerism, and philanthropy to promote financial self-sufficiency and education among women and their children.

**Emerging Leaders Alliance:** Young professionals come together for volunteering, networking and professional development.

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# UNITED WAY'S SMARTSTART



**34,160** Kids in our schools will not graduate with their peers

**UNITED WAY IS  
CREATING SOLUTIONS**  
Providing services to at-risk children

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of Westchester and Putnam  
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# REAL ISSUES

Joelle was eager to learn but the toll of abuse and instability left her years behind her peers. Thanks to a **SmartStart** program in first grade, Joelle got back on track by second grade. Reaching at-risk children, like Joelle, in the early years of school is critical to the path towards graduation.



A child without quality early education is

**25%** more likely to drop out of school.

**40%** more likely to become a teen parent.

**70%** more likely to be arrested for a violent crime.

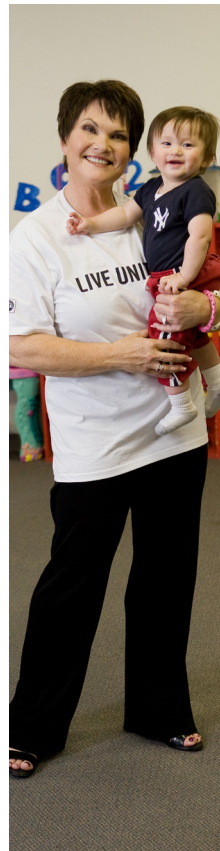


Only **17%** of chronically absent\* children in K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade can read by the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

\*students missing 2+ days of school per month



**23%** of students who score below basic reading in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will drop out of school.



# PROVEN SOLUTIONS

**669**

at-risk elementary school students received services. **93%** increased academics and attendance.

**5,965**

parents, caregivers and pre-k children were served in school preparation programs.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, **SMARTSTART** PROVIDES:



Academic support with a focus on increased attendance and reading



After-school programs in low income sections of communities



Educational activities for parents and caregivers with pre-k children



New mentors, tutors and readers throughout Westchester and Putnam



Special services for children recovering from traumatic experiences



Research on root causes and education for local leaders



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