



YOUR LOCAL IMPACT

PROGRAMS

YOUR DONATION...

Helps **350+ at-risk students** improve their literacy and math skills over the summer instead of losing academic progress



Provides **1,200+ children** ages 0-5 with a free book every month to encourage a love of reading



Helps **250+ pre-K kids** be prepared for school by improving their academic and school readiness skills by **67%**



Helps **10,000+ local students** improve their reading by using online, individualized literacy tools every day



Helps **3,000+ participants** receive **millions of \$** in tax refunds through free tax preparation assistance



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ALEX'S STORY



For over 15 years, Kindergarten Success Institutes (KSI) have been making a huge impact in the lives of low income 4-to-6 year olds by helping them obtain the early literacy and classroom behavior skills they need for success in school.

At the beginning of KSI, Alex was fearful of being away from home and began most mornings in tears. Because free or affordable preschool is not available in all local neighborhoods, he had not yet learned to follow directions in a group or identify shapes and letters. Alex was already behind his peers and at risk of staying behind.

However, through KSI, Alex became comfortable with his new surroundings and discovered a love of reading. At the end of KSI, Alex was recognized by his teachers and classmates as one of the star readers at Harding Elementary School.

Alex is one example among the thousands of students who benefit every year from United Way programs that are only possible with your support!