

Youth Impact Programs

Programming to Help our Youth Excel

The Challenge

Tutoring

Many of our students need **one-on-one tutoring** to help prevent them from falling behind other classmates in core subjects. One-on-one tutoring programs have proven their ability to increase reading levels, improve classroom performance, and build student confidence.

Planning and Coordination

Youth in Greenwich, from the affluent to those less fortunate, face **an array of challenges** that shift from issue to issue and month to month. With a wide variety of programs and services available, Greenwich Youth Service professionals agree that planning and coordination is critical. Greenwich needs one organization that can identify and prioritize youth issues helping to develop solutions in a way that is collaborative and nimble enough to navigate the changing landscape.

Community Service

The youth of Greenwich are looking for opportunities to **serve the community** – they need a way to help them come together, to educate one another regarding community issues, and work together to have a positive impact.

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Our Solutions

YOUR DOLLARS will fund three components of Greenwich United Way's core youth programs which have not been specifically funded before now.

Champions Program

Greenwich United Way's highly successful **Reading Champions** program is staffed by about 150 volunteers, who tutor approximately 500 children at 15 sites each year.

Grade school children in the program demonstrate **significantly improved reading fluency**.

There are major opportunities to expand the Champions program to **additional sites and new skills beyond reading** (e.g., Homework, Summer, Financial Planning).

Youth Planning Council

The Youth Planning Council is a group of leading professionals serving Greenwich youth that works to conduct an ongoing assessment of youth, parent, and service provider needs, while also providing a **forum for youth issues**.

Once gaps or opportunities are identified, the Council helps **plan and coordinate** the response of local agencies. (e.g., by launching new programs or modifying existing programs).

Additional funding will enable this group to use its collective expertise to **advocate** for Greenwich youth and ensure further progress..

Junior United Way

In the past, this group of **civic minded teens** has teamed up with numerous organizations that include the Greenwich Public Schools, the Youth Division of the Greenwich Police, and local businesses.

Together they are developing **constructive social and recreational outlets** and beneficial community projects. The Junior United Way organizes events large and small from school supply drives to socials and dances as well as sports activities and mentoring projects for pre-schoolers. These activities not only **give back to our community** but also help to create a new generation of leaders for Greenwich.

With the support of many community partners, Junior United Way members have been **bridging gaps** in Greenwich's diverse student populations and making Greenwich a better place to live for one and all.