

Project REACH/Fostering Connections

Realizing the Educational Achievement of Children Experiencing Homelessness and Foster Care

Office of Title I Federal Programs

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November 16 - January 28, 2016



Project REACH is a Saint Paul Public Schools shelter and street-based program that promotes school stability and academic success of homeless children and youth. Our program staff serve pre-K and school age children who are in temporary housing situations.

Fostering Connections is a Saint Paul Public Schools program that assists with the education stability of students placed in out-of-home care.

Thank you to all our donors.
We truly appreciate all your support!

Our blanket and coat drive was an amazing success BECAUSE of YOU!

- SPPS schools American Indian Magnet, Randolph Heights, Horace Mann and EXPO donated blankets, coats, and other gifts
- Organizations LexHam, The Foresters, DRIVE retirees, HiWay Federal Credit Union, Century College, St. Paul Reformation, and St. Paul Labor Studies donated blankets, coats, mittens and other needed items.
- Thank you to all the individual donors who donated blankets, coats, toiletries, socks, gifts, and warm winter gear

A special THANK YOU to the Assistance League of Minneapolis and St. Paul for donating over 500 coats to Project REACH

Service Project for Project REACH

- 2nd grade students at Horace Mann are collecting food items to donate to families and youth
- Girl Scouts at EXPO collected over 500 books for family shelter
- Forest View Elementary in Forest Lake donated over 40 blankets

Stay connected

- "Like" us on Facebook
- Donate to Project REACH through GiveMN
- Send your email to anne.mcinerney@spps.org to receive Quarterly Newsletters and other information about Project REACH/Fostering Connections

You Can Get Involved

Contact Anne McInerney at 651-744-2565 or email. Homeless students have needs throughout the year, and your contributions are vital.

Highlights as of January 2016

- 1001 Students eligible for McKinney Vento services
 - 454 (45%) Students in grades 1-5
 - 399 (40%) Students in grades 6-12
- 1176 Students served by Project REACH staff
- 618 (62%) Students "doubled up" with family or friends due to lack of housing
- 266 (27%) Students live in shelters
- 694 (69%) Students identify as African American
- 926 (93%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 109 (11%) Students are unaccompanied youth
- 147 hours of tutoring sessions at varied shelters

Fostering Connections

- 120 Students in Foster Care
- 67 (56%) Students identify as African American
- 105 (88%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 71 (59%) are under grade 5



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