

# **QUALITY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**



## The Situation In Maricopa County



## 200,000 students are in unsupervised situations during out of school time



- Between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. are the peak hours for juvenile crime and risky behavior.
- Students without positive adult relationships may be experiencing struggles keeping up in class, managing their time, or simply making it to school.

## The Solution: Quality After School Program Support

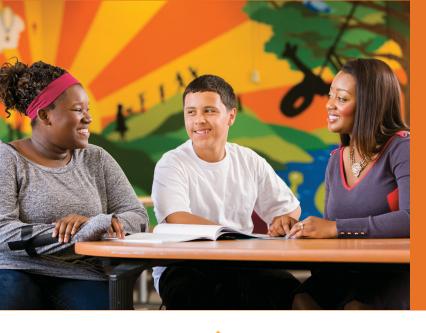
With the support of donors, United Way works to improve access and quality of after school programs. We are able to help after-school centers offer mentoring and counseling to support kids who may be failing classes, not getting along with their parents or peers, or are going through other hard times. This support leads to improved readiness for post-secondary education and employment.



"My mentor inspired me to keep dreaming."India, Student







#### Supporting kids in after school programs Our Impact

- $\cdot$  90% of students in these programs showed a positive relationship with an adult this can indicate academic success
- Volunteers and program staff provide almost 300,000 mentoring hours toward helping kids succeed

#### Our Goal

· 115,000 students have access to quality after school programs

## How Can I Help?



#### Support a Local Student

Your generous gift will provide one student with access to these resources while attending programs after school. Choose to support over the summer, during the school year, or all year round.



#### Support Local Students

By choosing to help a classroom, you are ensuring these after school resources are available for a group of students, so they can feel confident and supported in their education.

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### Book-In-A-Bag

Bring a book to life by decorating the bag with your coworkers, friends and family. Help build home libraries for local children.

**Snack Pack-In-A-Bag** Collect nonperishable snack items.

**Be a Mentor** Help students as a mentor during after school programs.

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