

**Fund-A-Future** 

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## **Academic Success: The First Step to Great Futures**

Afterschool programs are proven to boost students' success in school. The Clubs provide children with the academic support and resources they need to strengthen their math, literacy, and critical thinking skills, ensuring they maintain on-grade progression, graduate from high school, and are ready for a post-secondary education. Your gift will fund our signature academic programs - Power Hour and Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) Exploration:

• Power Hour: Provides daily homework assistance with trained tutors and proven intervention programs, *Dreambox* and *Read Live*, for students below grade level in math and reading.



• STEAM Exploration: Centered on building the skills to analyze data, think critically and solve problems, our members explore their interests through real-world experiences and hands-on projects, such as 3-D printing, building solar cars, Claymation, and computer coding.

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**GOAL:** 100% of members will be inspired and engaged to stay on track in school and successfully progress to the next grade level. Interventions for students who complete the reading and math programs will help them improve a minimum of one grade level by the end of the academic year.



## **Teen Pathways: A Plan for Great Futures**

We launched Teen Pathways in 2014 as a strategy to prepare middle school students for a successful transition to high school, and help high school students graduate successfully. We are thrilled to announce that in 2016-17, 100% of Club teens met academic standards to progress to the next grade level, a strong indicator that they are on-track to graduate. This fall we launched a College & Career Readiness program with 39 high school members who work one-on-one with our Teen Specialists to create an individualized plan for their future. The program offers a full scope of services, including: tutoring and academic coaching, college and career workshops, college tours and job fairs, SAT/ACT test preparation, and scholarship opportunities. In fact, in 2016 we awarded our Club teens \$55,000 in college scholarships, most as first-generation college students!

**GOAL:** 100% of teen members will be on track to graduate high school with clearly identified goals and plans for their future.

## Difference Makers: The "Magic" Behind the Club Experience

You can ensure that children and teens are surrounded by "Difference Makers" – our team of professional, caring, responsible adults who are committed to providing a Safe, Fun, Positive Environment; Supportive Relationships; Recognition, Opportunities and Expectations. Our talented and trained youth development staff establish trusting relationships, offer meaningful guidance and make a positive impact in the lives of youth. Your investment in our Difference Makers provides children with mentors, resources, and services to help them succeed.



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**GOAL:** Our staff of over 50 professionals will receive ongoing

youth development training, tools and resources to deliver the best Club experience possible.

**GREAT FUTURES START HERE.**