

empowering youth success

When young people succeed, our community thrives.

Kids are most vulnerable when school is out of session. That's why United Way supports early childhood education, out-of-school enrichment, and other support systems to help prepare the next generation—and their parents—to live and thrive in financial stability.

out-of-school programming

United Way Bright Beginnings is a partnership between United Way of Greater Houston and ExxonMobil that connects approximately 1,000 children from vulnerable, low-income families per year with affordable, high-quality early childhood education that helps them achieve vital milestones and enter school ready to succeed.



Bright beginnings alumni have consistently higher STAAR achievement test scores than their peers.

Early REACH is is an award-winning collaborative initiative between United Way of Greater Houston and BakerRipley aimed at creating capacity for local children to receive free, quality child care through existing programs.



In its first year, Early REACH created more than 600 new child care spots, helping more than 400 families. Out2Learn is a partnership between United Way of Greater Houston, Houston Endowment, the City of Houston, and the Harris County Department of Education's CASE for Kids, committed to improving and expanding access to out-of-school programs in our community.



Out2Learn provided 2,283 young people with quality out-of-school programming in 2023.

United Way M.A.T.H. is a partnership between United Way of Greater Houston and ConocoPhillips created to fight summer learning loss and strengthen kids' understanding of the math they've learned during the regular school year.



United Way M.A.T.H. camp brings in-person learning to 2,000 students each summer.

86% of students in United Way-funded programs demonstrated school readiness.

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