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read and
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because
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Unlocking each child's
potential through the
foundation of reading



East Side Learning Center

An educational partnership with the School Sisters of Notre Dame

dear FRIENDS

Imagine a future in which all children achieve their full potential—one with equitable education for our youngest Saint Paul children. We haven't yet achieved this dream, but thanks to your investment in East Side Learning Center's children, we are closer.

During 2016-17, the board adopted the theme "Bridges to the Future." We knew that we needed your support to transition from leadership under the founding Executive Director. Together, we accomplished more than we dreamed by providing tutoring for 443 children, hiring Executive Director Chris Flippo, transitioning away from United Way support, and celebrating the many contributions of former Executive Director, Sister Audrey Lindenfelser, School Sister of Notre Dame (SSND).

We thank you, our partners, volunteers and funders, for working together to build the Saint Paul we dream about, one that honors and respects the unique background of each child and family. This is your ESLC, a place where each child thrives and achieves his or her potential.

ESLC helps you achieve this dream by supporting children in building an essential foundation in reading. Your support this past year gave each child exactly what he or she needed to succeed in school and choose his own future. You helped children like Charlie, featured in this annual report, bridge the gap to a future full of reading, learning and opportunities.

On behalf of the board of directors and staff, thank you for being a change agent for East Side children and the bridge to ESLC's future in a year of transition!

Sincerely,

Chris Flippo
Executive Director

Dean Andrew
Chairman of the Board



Sr. Audrey poses for a "selfie" with RT Rybak at the "Celebration Honoring Sr. Audrey" to launch the reading fund in the founder's honor

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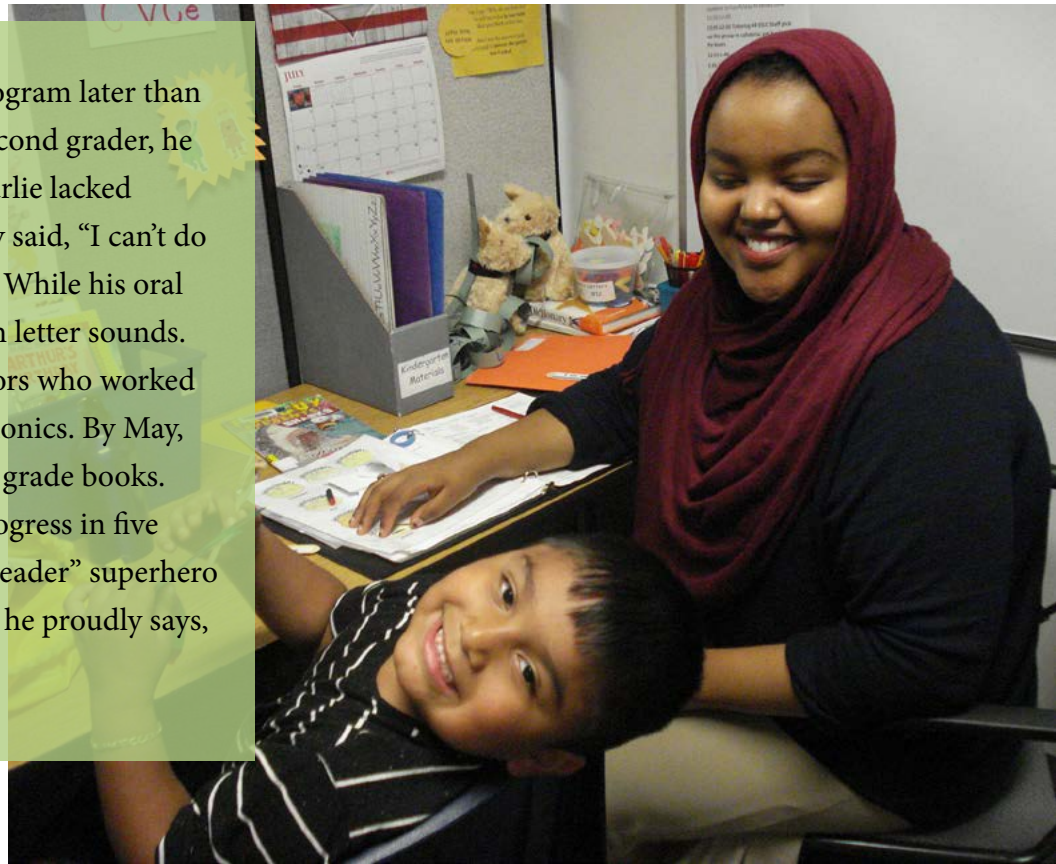
Kate McCarthy - William McCarthy

Joseph C. Duerscherl - Adeline Duerscherl



I am a reader!

Charlie joined the ESLC tutoring program later than most students. Although he was a second grader, he was reading at a preschool level. Charlie lacked confidence in reading and repeatedly said, "I can't do this. Everybody else can, but I can't." While his oral language was solid, he struggled with letter sounds. ESLC staff focused the volunteer tutors who worked with Charlie on letter sounds and phonics. By May, Charlie was confidently reading first grade books. Wow! That's at least 18 months of progress in five months. Charlie earned his "Super Reader" superhero cape, is catching up to his peers, and he proudly says, "I am a super reader!"



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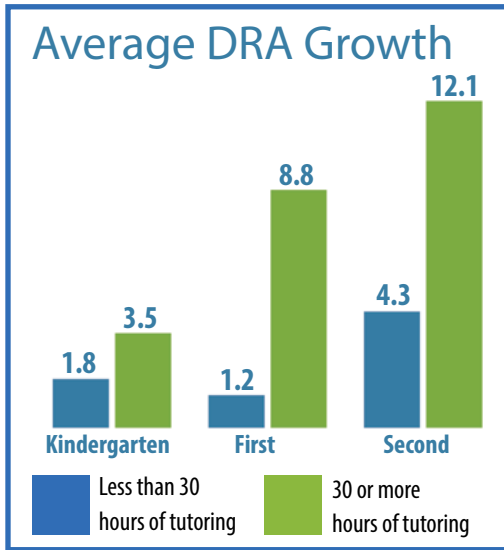
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We did it!

93% (171/183) of our **Kindergarten** children were first grade ready.

63% (82/130) of our **first through third grade** children met their reading growth goals.



443 children served

35,607 tutor sessions

19,629 tutor hours

10,705 volunteer hours

268 volunteers

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All about me and ESLC

90% of ESLC's children receive free or reduced meals.

60% of ESLC's children are English Language Learners.



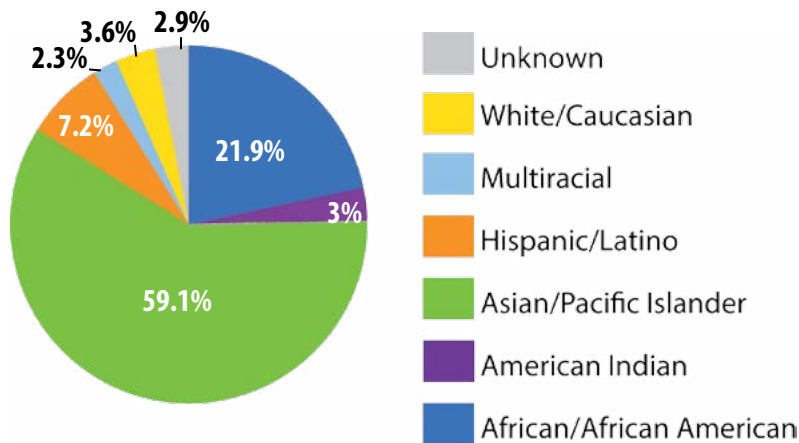
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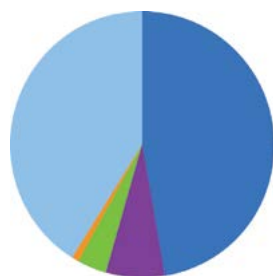
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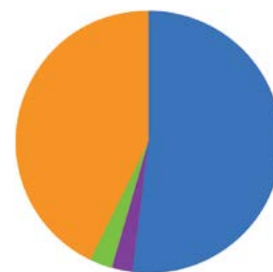
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REVENUES

Grants	519,496
Contributions	78,093
Churches, Groups, & Sponsorships	37,900
Contracted Services, Other	11,563
In-kind Occupancy, Volunteers, Other	447,305
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,094,357



EXPENSES

Personnel	546,490
Books, Materials, & Equipment	24,162
Professional & Support Services	28,761
In-Kind Occupancy, Volunteers, Other	447,305
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$1,046,718
NET	\$47,639

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash & equivalents	184,579
Prepaid expense	3,887
Investments	233,324
Grants receivable	177,000
Total current assets	598,790
Total property & equipment	816
Total Assets	599,606

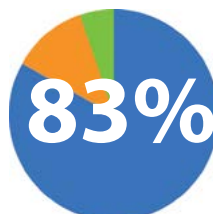
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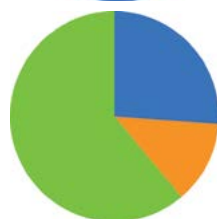
Accts payable	1,910
Payroll tax withheld	6,225
Total current liabilities	8,135
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	409,471
Temporarily restricted	182,000
Total Net Assets	591,471
Total Liabilities & Capital	599,606

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83% of every gift you gave was invested in programs during the 2016-17 fiscal year.



TUTOR EXPENSE

Paid Tutors	111,179
In-Kind Volunteers	258,418
Staff	53,725
TOTAL	\$423,322

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