



2025-2026

COMMUNITYIMPACT REPORT







Foundation
FOR VANCOUVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

INVESTING IN VANCOUVER YOUTH

The Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools serves over 21,300 youth in 40 schools and programs. Support for **the Foundation helps students by providing essential resources and opportunities for students to reach their full potential**, through collaboration and partnership with our community, students, families, VPS staff – and the generosity of dedicated donors.

53.9% of those students qualify for free or reduced lunch, with some schools as high as 79%

19.8% are students with disabilities

18.4% are English Language Learners

1,503 students experienced homelessness in the last year*

*actual number is likely higher due to student under-reporting

WHAT EDUCATORS ARE SAYING

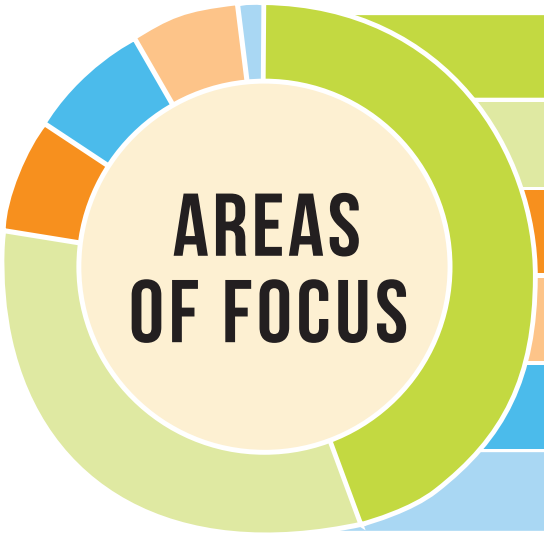
Selected quotes from a recent survey of VPS Family & Community Resource Coordinators

"The system of support is so seamless. Families access support directly and in a way that preserves their dignity and privacy."

"The Foundation is vital to everything we do. Not just because of the funds that are provided but the protocols and procedures that the Foundation has developed cause us to pause and ask the right questions."

"My words fall short of what [the Foundation] can do to bring hope to a student in need."

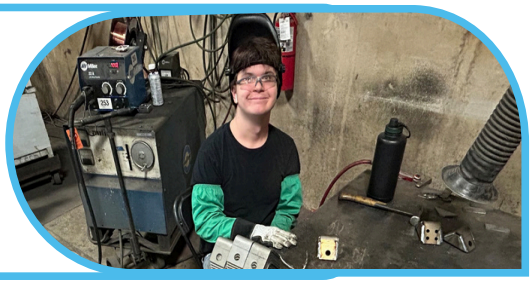
Direct Support to Students in 2025-26: $979,099



43.1%	Basic Needs & Housing
36.4%	Student Enrichment & Engagement
6.7%	Family & Community Engagement
5.7%	Social-Emotional Health & Resilience
6.7%	College & Career Readiness
1.4%	Early Learning & Special Education

BUILDING BETTER FUTURES - LITERALLY!

Since 2024, the Foundation has facilitated the construction of two career training centers on VPS high school campuses - with a third slated for 2027! Offering hands-on training in construction and advanced manufacturing, this project (funded completely by donors) is providing pathways to well-paying, high-demand careers upon graduation. A big win for our growing community!



2025–2026 | IMPACT AT A GLANCE



BASIC NEEDS & HOUSING

Quickly and discreetly meeting students' most urgent needs.

- **199** families received housing stabilization assistance, which prevented eviction for 508 students
- **1,100** grocery gift cards distributed
- **37** eye exam referrals for low-income students (including glasses if needed)

STUDENT ENRICHMENT & ENGAGEMENT

Helping to spark students' interests, discover their passions and envision their futures.

- **$120K** in grants available for schools to use for field trips, STEM activities, art supplies, afterschool clubs, and more
- **1600** books distributed in **14** languages during district-wide literacy event

FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Strengthening school communities through events, resources, and activites.

- **251** family engagement events hosted by FCRCs
- **90** community members met 1:1 weekly with **100** students for Lunch Buddies, an elementary school mentorship program



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL HEALTH & RESILIENCE

Supporting initiatives that promote attendance, mental health, and well-being.

- **$13K+** for therapeutic tools, affinity club support, and trauma response team supplies
- **8450** secondary students accessed mental health support including individual and group therapy

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Providing support, internship opportunities, and skills training for life after graduation.

- **150** worksite internship placements with expenses, gear (such a steel-toed boots), and transportation costs covered
- **115** low-income students were assisted with Clark College's Running Start registration fees



EARLY LEARNING & SPECIAL EDUCATION

Partnering with VPS to fund initiatives that build readiness and increase access.

- **117** pre-K students at **8** schools participated in the evening preschool program
- **$4308** in Intensive Academic Classroom supplies, adaptive bicycle event, field trips, and special supports for IAC students (e.g. rolling backpack, hairwashing lessons)

These are just some of the ways students were supported in 2025–2026!

www.FoundationForVPS.org/stories

"When students are worried about basic needs like food, housing, clothing, or health care, it can be difficult to focus on learning. The Foundation helps remove those barriers while also creating opportunities for students to learn, grow, and thrive. We are incredibly grateful for their partnership and commitment to Vancouver students."

-Dr. Rocky Torres-Morales, Superintendent Vancouver Public Schools

2025-26 COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS' CIRCLE

Thank you to the businesses and organizations who make a lasting impact in our public schools through financial contributions or in-kind donations.

$50,000+ Investment

Community Foundation of SW WA
Cowlitz Tribal Foundation of Clark County
Ed and Dollie Lynch Fund
The Firstenburg Foundation
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Jan and Steve Oliva Fund
OnPoint Community Credit Union Foundation
Quail Homes
Royal Fund for Arts Education
Vancouver Public Schools STAFF

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Crossroads Community Church
Dick Hannah Dealerships
Goldfish Ventures, LLC
iQ Credit Union
OnPoint Community Credit Union
Tod & Maxine McClaskey Foundation
U.S. Bank Foundation

$10,000+ Investment:

Anna and Dwight Sr Schwab Charitable Foundation, Inc
Columbia Presbyterian Church
Hilton Vancouver
Legacy Health
Messiah Lutheran Church

$5,000+ Investment:

Beaches Charity Fund
Careers in Construction
Columbia Bank
Columbia Credit Union
Columbia Dance
Goodwill Industries of the Columbia-Willamette
Lockwood and Like Wealth Advisors of Raymond James
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RH Parker/United Foundation
Riverview Bank
Riverview Trust Company
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Trail Blazers Foundation
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Ivy Wellness Clinic
Jewish Communal Fund
Joy Johnson | REALTOR
Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership
LSW Architects, PC
Morgan Stanley
New Hope Church
North Star Restaurants Inc
Port of Vancouver USA
Realvest Corporation
REAP
Reprise Choir
Rotary Club of Vancouver Sunrise
Salmon Creek Heights Post 176
Southwest WA Equity Coalition
State of Washington
US Bank
Vancouver Methodist Foundation
Vancouver Rotary Foundation
Vancouver West Soccer Club
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