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IMPACT REPORT 2019





Dear Friends,

It has been my great honor to continue leading STAR House Foundation in its mission to enrich our community by promoting academic success and empowering lifelong achievement for children in need. In this, our 26th year of service to Roswell's most vulnerable families, we have focused our efforts on establishing new partnerships within our community as well as growing our existing relationships, in order to more effectively reach more children. Through our continued partnership with The Goizueta Foundation, we are now serving an additional 40+ students and their families through our new program at Vickery Mill Elementary School. Through our partnership with the City of Roswell, Grants Division, we are creating the foundation for an ongoing AmeriCorps service project within the elementary schools we serve. While we anticipate great successes from these and other ventures, we are acutely aware that there are many more students in need in our community whom we are not yet reaching.

As always, our Board, management team, and program staff are filled with gratitude for each contribution of funds, food, supplies, or time. Each donor, volunteer, or community friend who has given in the past year has helped our staff provide life-changing opportunities for our local children. I ask that, as you plan your year-end giving, please consider including STAR House as part of your giving plan. You have the opportunity to play an important role in helping us provide safe and enriching after-school and summer camp programs at no cost for children whose families are unable to afford those simple luxuries. With your help, we will be able to continue our service for these families, and possibly more, providing their children with the tools they need to thrive and succeed in school and in life.

Thank you for helping us make a difference.

Dan LaStella, Chair

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HELPING KIDS REACH HIGHER

STAR House Foundation is a non-profit organization based in Roswell, Georgia. We provide after-school tutoring and mentoring for at-risk children throughout North Fulton County. We serve over 300 children within five North Fulton schools (Mimosa Elementary, Esther Jackson Elementary, Vickery Mill Elementary, Elkins Pointe Middle, Holcomb Bridge Middle), with a significant unmet need. Our summer camp is an extension of our after-school program, bridging the gap for elementary students by focusing on academic retention to combat summer learning loss. Providing this strong foundation gives local kids in need the opportunity to shoot for the stars.

MISSION

STAR House Foundation enriches the community by promoting academic success and empowering lifelong achievement for children in need.

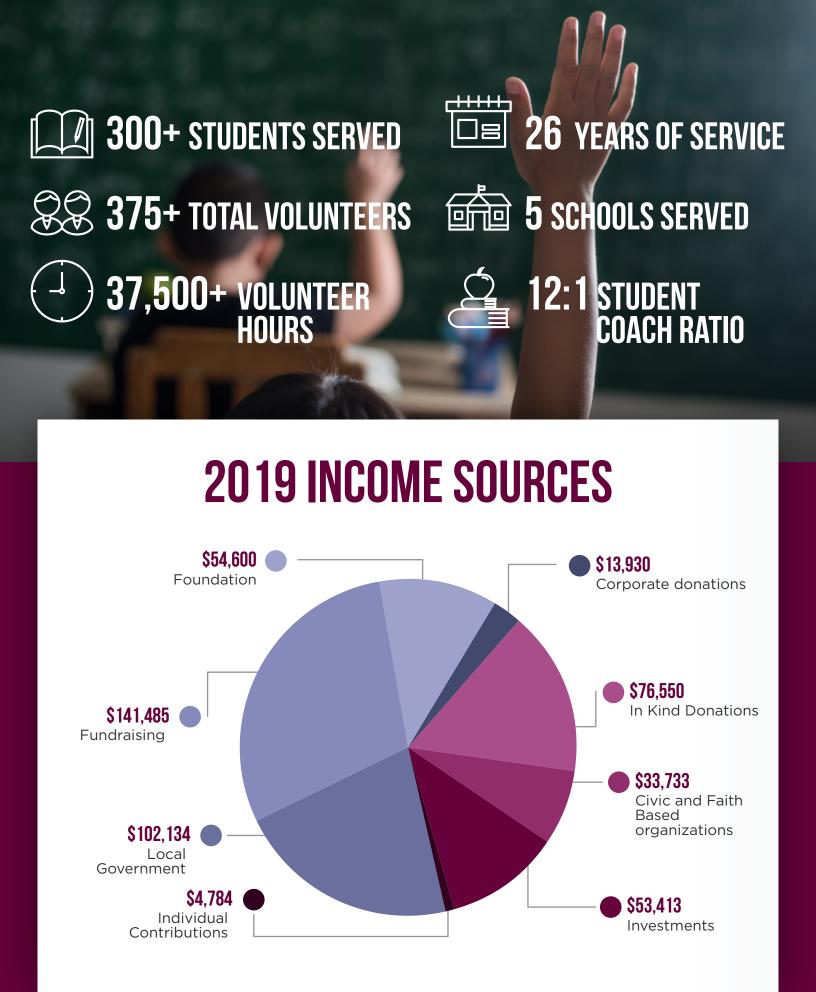




VISION

For all children to have support and the opportunity to succeed.







NEW PROGRAM

THROUGH SEED FUNDING GRANTED BY OUR GENEROUS FRIENDS AT THE GOIZUETA FOUNDATION, WE HAVE ADDED VICKERY MILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO THE STAR HOUSE FAMILY.

The program started with a summer camp in June, and in August we opened the after-school program, currently serving 40+ students. AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, LIKE THE ONES RUN BY STAR HOUSE, OFFER AT-RISK CHILDREN A NUMBER OF ADVANTAGES:

- Improved reading and math grades
- Improved classroom behavior and school attendance
- Reduced chance of drug use and criminal behavior
- Positive health outcomes like more physical activity and better eating habits
- Peace of mind for working parents who know their kids are safe and cared for

GET INVOLVED



STAR House Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides educational and enrichment programs to students 100% free of charge. STAR House programs are located in schools, so there are minimal overhead expenses. The majority of our funds support our program service staff. Generous donations from businesses and individuals help us provide our unique, specialized approach to academic assistance that makes our programs so successful.

Every child deserves the opportunity to succeed in school. Your gift of time, talent and treasure allows us to offer educational opportunities to at-risk children in North Fulton County and strengthen our community as a whole.



GIVE MONEY

Your gift to STAR House is an investment in a child's future. With each dollar, you directly impact a child's academic journey and personal development.



GIVE TIME

Your time is a valuable resource that can make a world of difference. Volunteer to guide children as they overcome daily challenges both in and out of the classroom.

GET INVOLVED

GIVE RESOURCES

Your contribution of nutritious snacks and essential supplies helps nourish our children's minds and bodies, giving them what they need to grow and succeed.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET INVOLVED BY ACCESSING THE ORANGE BUTTON ABOVE OR CONNECT WITH US DIRECTLY.

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"The world will never be completely fair. But there is no better equalizer than getting an education. I've seen from the front lines how much the STAR House does to level the playing field. I've heard the dreams directly from the kids. STAR House helps make all the dreams possible."

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"STAR House kept me out of trouble, they helped me with my homework, and gave me the attention I needed while my parents worked overtime hours. STAR House means so much to me and my family."

Fatima Flores, STAR House Alumni

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"STAR House isn't just an academic after-school program for children. It's a family program, a child program, and I believe it affects our whole community. That is really what we are after, because these children are going to be a vital part of our community."

Susan Fox, Site Director

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3-YEAR GOALS



IMPLEMENT A RESEARCH-BASED COMPREHENSIVE READING CURRICULUM TO ADDRESS DEFICITS IN STUDENTS' READING SKILLS



EXPAND PROGRAM INTO ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS



INCREASE AWARENESS & ENGAGEMENT



CONTINUE TO GROW FUNDING RESOURCES



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