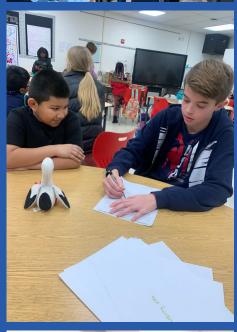


A Year In Pictures





















Dear GECRC community,

Last year we celebrated 20 amazing years of GECRC; this year we focused on what's next! With the support of our beloved volunteers, generous donors, and valued community partners, we continue to find innovative and impactful ways to uplift our students as they strengthen their academic and social emotional skills. We couldn't do it without all of you!

As we look to the future, we are proud that our programs have supported more students than ever before and we are thrilled to have the resources to implement a new SEL curriculum to support the important relational work we've always done. Our students told us that GECRC helps them feel safe, happier and less stressed, make friends, understand homework, and do better in school. That's a resounding endorsement for sure!

This year's annual report highlights how GECRC bolstered SEL support for students, planned for expansion into a new learning site, and grew our popular GECRC Summer Program!

A special thank you to the GECRC team who ensured our after school and summer program were rich with academic support, caring volunteer tutors, and fun. Thank you Lisa Hepner, Karla Kampen, Maryam Ghouse, Lizzy Doty, Gillian Wang, Cheryl Sammer, Marci Myers, Katie Reed, Polly Cooper, Hamna Khan, Aiesha Khan, Gayle Rueter, Emily Lobdell, Laura Ulepic and Cho Pyone.

We could not have done it without leadership from our Board of Directors, the dedication of our volunteers, the collaboration of community partners, teachers, principals, the support of our donors and local businesses, and the commitment of our students and their families.

Leah Harding, Executive Director



Glen Ellyn Children's Resource Center (GECRC) offers out-of-school programming that empowers under-resourced K-12 students to meet state and local standards for academic and social-emotional learning; involves students in activities that enrich learning; and connects families to schools and other resources necessary to support student success and well-being. GECRC programs make space where students, their parents, educators, and community members can develop mutually enriching relationships that support and inspire learning and growth.



consistent care and support

WITH HELP FROM YOU



223

students enrolled in after school programs at D41 Churchill, Hadley and Lincoln schools and CCSD89 Glen Crest School.

176

volunteers built tutoring relationships with students this year.

150

students from D41 and CCSD89 enrolled in GECRC Summer Program; this is a record-setting number from all 10 schools!

3,827

hours were logged by volunteer tutors.

"We know that by expanding our GECRC programming to the elementary level this fall, we will make a lifelong impact on these students' academic and social growth."

Dr. Jill Kingsfield, CCSD89 Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning

"In my role as a tutor I saw the unique impact of one-on-one relationships and what they mean to a child and their family. I think of it as the power of more.

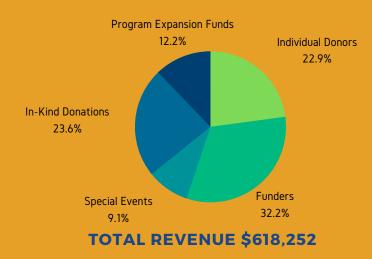
The tutor and student have a special relationship, one that is reinforced by the time they spend together. That precious commodity – time! One of our program leaders coaches her tutors to listen and notice 'what the student needs next'. It could be an extra snack pack, winter boots, a Halloween costume, or their own copy of a favorite book.

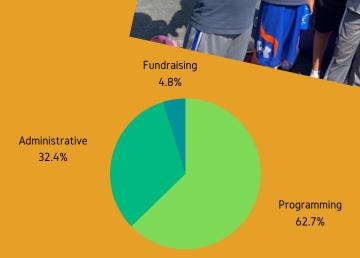
We provide the 'more'; the extra support to make a difference."

Janis Pfister, GECRC board member and tutor, retired educator

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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



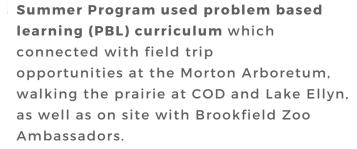


TOTAL EXPENSES \$618,121

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



GECRC piloted The Character Effect, a research based SEL curriculum.





Valued Partnerships and Community
Collaborations included Glen Ellyn Public
Library, Kiwanis Snack Pack Program, GE
Lions, Morton Arboretum, Your Children's
Bookshelf, GBW sports and activity clubs.

"I like to learn new things even if I'm scared. GECRC helps me when I get sad." -Elementary student

"When we finish our homework it feels good to go home and say I HAVE NO HOMEWORK!" -Elementary student



GECRC awarded its fifth annual GECRC Alumni Scholarship to Feruza Tolibova.



GECRC awarded its fourth annual GECRC Tutor scholarship to Emma Wargin.





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To stay up to date about GECRC and how you can volunteer, please visit www.gecrc.com, and follow us on social media!









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