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For most individuals and families, there's not a quick fix and not one organization can solve it alone. That's where we come in. Our mission is to help pave the way to a successful life by supporting education, income and well-being. Our programs address the most formative years in a child's life, positively impacting their physical and mental development. United Way of San Luis Obispo County recruits people and organizations who bring the passion, expertise and resources needed to strengthen our community.



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## **IMPACT SNAPSHOT**

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**786** children in SLO county have benefitted from this early learning program that puts a book every month in the hands of kids from birth until they are 5 years old. The State of California recognizes the early learning value of this program and will begin co-investing with us this summer!



**36** high school students across SLO County study philanthropy, volunteerism, and community needs, and put it into practice by managing a **\$3,000** grant process from proposals to awards.



Over **9,000** calls and clicks to the primary tool for getting free referrals from live specialists for services like dependent care, tax preparation, basic needs and more. The 211 database includes over **18,000** nonprofit and government services, which can be activated to help during disasters.



The community convenes annually as volunteers and contributors to collect and deliver school supplies valued at over \$53,000 (in 2022) to students in need across SLO County.



Through our volunteer matching website, we publicize the volunteer needs of over **370** organizations and engage over **6,000** volunteers in our County. Find the perfect volunteer opportunity for an individual, family, team or group.



We provide free tax preparation and filing support to over **400** taxpayers annually, identifying important refunds and credits like the Earned Income Tax Credit. Tax returns filed through VITA and MyFreeTaxes resulted in over **\$500,000** in refunds to our local economy.



Community Radio that fosters cultural diversity, crossgenerational respect, and supports the arts, community events, community services and organizations. We also provide training for future content creators.



Volunteers provided over **2,800** hours of financial instruction to over **600** elementary and high school students, increasing their capacity to understand and participate in saving, investing and spending, setting the stage for healthy money habits. A savings challenge will debut in late 2023 for Money School.