

United Way helps children succeed in school by funding high quality early learning, after school, summer programs and targeted services to youth at risk of not graduating.

That's why **United Way** invests in programs for youth like Will...



My name is Sam and my son Will has been attending the Central Children's Center at the YMCA since January 2020.

As any new parent is, we were a bit anxious dropping Will off on his first day of school. After meeting the staff and talking to them about some of Will's unique health needs, our worries lifted.

When we go to the building, our family is quickly greeted with a warm welcome and a kind smile. The teachers are kind, compassionate and knowledgeable about the group of kids they work with. My wife

and I often connect with Will's classroom teachers about his successes and areas of growth so together we can achieve the same goals.

Will loves talking about his friends and his teachers at home. His favorite part of his school day is eating breakfast with his friends and playing outside on the bikes.

We feel comforted knowing that Will is so well cared for at the Central Children's Center.

We are working with partners to improve the access to and the quality of early childhood education, and opportunities for our most vulnerable families.



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