



# SUN Community School Profile 2015

## Davis Elementary School

Lead Agency: Metropolitan Family Service

### Service Area & Target Groups/Focus

Children, adults and families who are homeless, living in poverty and/or at risk of academic failure – primarily from school neighborhood, but services are open to anyone.

School Population: 488 students; Grades K-5; 100% Eligible for Free Meals;  
80% Students of Color (African American 11%, American Indian/AK Native <1%, Asian 6%,  
Hispanic 54%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 3%, Multiple Race 4%, White 19%)

### Core Services

#### Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

##### Academic Support

Reading, math, science or writing interventions

##### Enrichment

Pixel Art  
Garden Club  
Fun with Games  
Food Heroes  
Kids Cooking  
Healthy Choices  
Science

##### Empowerment/Skill-Building

SUN Jr. Staff/ Self Managers  
America Scores – soccer, poetry, & community service club

##### Recreation

In Partnership with AC Portland:  
Soccer for Success, America Scores

##### Youth Leadership/Involvement

SUN Jr. Staff- Youth leadership  
Jr. Advisory Council

##### Community/Cultural Events

Fall Resource Fair & Community Meal  
Community Cup

##### Mentoring

Experience Corps –  
in partnership with MFS

##### Summer Programs

4 week summer camp w/ integrated theme-based academics and enrichment (grade 1-5)  
2 ½ weeks Kindergarten Transition camp for incoming kindergarteners  
Summer Food and Fun – 6 weeks of free lunch and activities open to the community  
Overnight camping trip in partnership with the Oregon Zoo's UNO program  
Multnomah County Library School Corps Books-to-You program

##### Adult Education

Parents as Teachers - in partnership with MHCC PCDS  
Adult ELL classes  
Adult Financial Literacy Classes  
Gardening Classes

### Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; School-wide parent meetings and activities  
SUN Showcases at the end of fall, winter, and spring terms; SUN stations at Davis Back-to-School Night and parent conferences; Growing Garden food demos at every other harvest share distribution;  
Garden education for family garden plots in Davis garden

### Case Management & Skill Building

Rent housing referrals in partnership with Human Solutions Schools  
Housing Stabilization Fund referrals  
Meals 4 Kids food delivery referrals in partnership with Meals on Wheels

## **System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management**

Recruitment & connection of students & families with services; development of referral system  
Davis Site Council (school staff, parents, school board liaison, and SUN Coordinator)  
Partner Meetings  
Site Management in Out-of-School Time  
Partner and Resource Development  
18 Community Agency Partners  
12 Business Partners

688 volunteer hours contributed  
\$83,871.57 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

## **Additional Services**

Emergency Food Bags through SnowCap  
Sunshine Division Food referrals  
Harvest Share Monthly Distribution  
Full-time AmeriCorps member through MFS

## **Evaluation**

### **Outputs**

#### **284 youth served**

83% students of color  
100% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”  
100% qualified for free and reduced lunch

#### **87 adults served**

**1976 people served** in non-enrollment events  
(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

### **Outcomes**

**89%** of students increased benchmark scores in Reading \*  
**94%** of students increased benchmark scores in Math\*  
**Average daily attendance** of SUN CS students was **92%**

**\*due to changes in state testing these numbers are not available for this year**

## **SUN Success Story**

The impact of the Harvest Share program at Davis is demonstrated in the following story of a father of three who recently moved to the area in order to help his widowed sister and her two children. “Mike” had recently enrolled his son in the pre-k program at Davis and happened to stumble upon our Harvest Share distribution. Having to support two families and only working part time, “Mike” could use all the help he could get. “Mike” quickly learned about the program and felt such relief to know his family would be able to receive additional support.

Mike continued to be in disbelief at the fact that someone would be so generous to offer free produce. He graciously thanked our staff and volunteers for providing the support. “Mike” returned the following month not only to participate, but inspired to give back. “Mike” recently joined our Harvest Share team and is now volunteering the time he does have to assist during our Harvest Share distributions.

It has been incredible to see the impact Harvest Share has on the Davis community and the gratitude the Davis families, teachers, and students have for the program. It has been such a pleasure being able to support such wonderful families.