

2024-2025 IMPACT REPORT

Planting Seeds of Hope







A free referral-based after-school program for under-resourced students in grades K-8

About Children of the Valley

Children of the Valley was founded in 2006 by local school teachers, clergy, law enforcement, and other community members to provide safe and compassionate after-school support to underresourced children in Skagit Valley.

Today, we work in partnership with the Mount Vernon, Sedro-Woolley, Burlington-Edison, and Conway school districts to serve students K-8 referred by an educator for exhibiting substantial personal or academic need. We currently operate four sites with a total of 11 classrooms.

Free to the families and students we serve, our program is guided by our five Cornerstones of Care: academic assistance, social-emotional learning, enrichment activities, family support, and mentorship.



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Our Mission

Children of the Valley serves under-resourced children and their families by valuing their cultural identity and empowering them through education, personal growth, and mentorship.

Our Vision

Our vision is to empower children to dream big by providing a positive life-changing experience that gives them the skills and confidence to fulfill their greatest potential.

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Dear COV Partners,

As we reflect on this past year at Children of the Valley, we are reminded that meaningful change doesn't happen overnight. It starts small—like a seed. With care, nourishment, and the right environment, that seed grows roots, stretches toward the light, and eventually flourishes. This has been the heart of our mission for 19 years: planting seeds of hope, confidence, and opportunity in the lives of local children and watching as those seeds grow into strong, resilient young leaders who uplift our entire community.

In these pages, you'll see how that growth takes shape across the lifespan of a child. We've organized this year's report to follow the journey of our students—from elementary school through middle school, into high school and college mentorship programs, and finally to our alumni. We believe it's important to show not just what we do, but how each stage of support builds upon the last, creating long-lasting impact for both the children we serve and the community around them.

You'll read about our expanded middle school programming, including our new after-school bike club. You'll hear stories of high school and college students stepping into mentorship roles, many of them aspiring educators, gaining invaluable hands-on experience while investing in the next generation. And, you'll see how volunteers—retirees, working professionals, and former program participants—find purpose and connection by nurturing these young lives.

At Children of the Valley, **our impact doesn't stop with a child's graduation from our program. It ripples outward as those young people grow into adults** who give back, and as volunteers and mentors discover meaning and belonging in service. Together, we are not only shaping individual lives—we are cultivating a stronger, more compassionate community.

Thank you for your ongoing belief in the power of community care. It is because of your generosity, time, and heart that these seeds continue to grow.

With gratitude,

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Elementary Program

Planting a Strong Foundation

At Children of the Valley, we know that early intervention makes a lasting difference. Guided by our five Cornerstones of Care—academic assistance, social-emotional learning, enrichment activities, family support, and mentorship—COV provides daily after-school support designed to nurture the whole child. From homework help and tailored tutoring to creative activities, mentorship, and basic needs support for families, our program helps students build a strong foundation that carries them confidently into middle school and beyond.



Our Sites

Mount Vernon

Bethany Covenant Church, est. 2006

Serves Jefferson Elementary, Madison Elementary, Harriet Rowley Elementary, Centennial Elementary, and Little Mountain Elementary



85	Student Capacity
00	Student Capacity

87 Students Served

82 Families Served

Washington Elementary, est. 2021

Serves Washington Elementary



30	Student Capacity
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33 Students Served

27 Families Served

Sedro-Woolley —

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, est. 2022

Serves Central Elementary, Evergreen Elementary, and Mary Purcell Elementary



30 Student Ca	pacity
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40 Students Served

23 Families Served

Burlington -

West View School, est. 2022

Serves West View School, Lucille Umbarger School, and Allen School



30	Student Capacity

41 Students Served

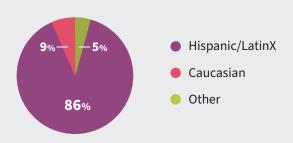
26 Families Served

Who We Serve

Students with substantial personal or academic needs are referred to our program by educators in our partner school districts.



Student Ethnicity

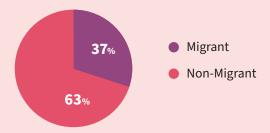


Why it Matters

We believe every child deserves to feel seen, valued, and supported. Understanding the diverse backgrounds of our students helps us create culturally responsive programs that honor their identities and experiences.

Migrant Students

A child who, within the past 36 months, moved to a new location either to work or join a parent/guardian working as a migratory farmworker or fisher.



Why it Matters

Migrant families often face unique challenges, including frequent moves, language barriers, and limited access to consistent educational support. By serving migrant children, we help provide stability, connection, and opportunity where it's needed most.

Unhoused Students

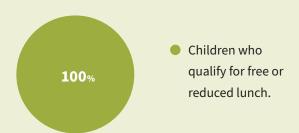
Children who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.



Why it Matters

Children without stable housing face increased risks in education, health, and emotional well-being. By identifying and supporting unhoused students, we ensure they have a safe place to learn, grow, and belong.

Low Income Students



Why it Matters

Families experiencing financial hardship often lack access to safe after-school care, academic resources, and enrichment opportunities. Knowing how many of our students qualify for free or reduced lunch highlights the vital role COV plays in leveling the playing field.

Elementary Program

Nurturing Young Minds, One Lesson at a Time

Academic Assistance

Academic support is more than tutoring—it's about igniting curiosity and a love for learning. In partnership with our school district teachers, we tailor academic support to meet each child's individual needs, helping them build on core curriculum and grow as engaged learners.

Daily Academic Support at COV

Each COV student receives one hour of structured academic support every day, guided by ongoing communication with their classroom teacher.

- 30 minutes of reading support
- 30 minutes of tailored tutoring and homework help
- Academic games and learning activities

Curriculum & Tools

We use high-quality, evidence-based curricula to meet students where they're at:

- American Reading Curriculum (ARC) to support reading comprehension and literacy growth at Mount Vernon sites.
- ▶ Levered Math—a new adaptive program piloted this spring in our Mount Vernon sites, now being expanded to all of our 3rd-5th grade students. The platform meets learners at their current level and supports independent, paced progress.

"Without COV's homework help or social-emotional lessons, my students wouldn't be as comfortable with themselves as they are now."

2nd Grade Teacher,West View Elementary



2024-2025 Student Growth Data

92% Attendance—Exceeding District and National Benchmarks

Students who miss more than 10% of the school year (18 days) are at greater risk of falling behind academically and socially. Since COVID, Mount Vernon School District (MVSD) attendance rates have been lower, but COV students in MVSD are exceeding the mark—averaging 92% regular attendance, compared to the district's 86% and above the 90% national benchmark for regular attendance.

Above-Average Growth in Reading and Math

For COV students in MVSD, Student Growth Percentile (SGP) data shows above-average progress compared to peers nationwide:

Reading (K-5):

60%

made equal or greater growth in reading than their academic peers nationwide.

Math (Grades 2-5):

64%

made equal or greater growth in math than their academic peers nationwide.

While this data reflects only the MVSD portion of our student population, it offers a strong indicator of the positive academic impact COV provides across all districts we serve.

Rooted in Resilience, Growing Through Exploration

Social-Emotional Learning

Growing Resilient Roots

At COV, we believe emotional well-being is the foundation for lifelong learning. Many of our students face challenges beyond the classroom, and social-emotional learning equips them with tools to navigate those experiences with strength and empathy. From naming emotions to building relationships and solving problems, we create nurturing spaces where children grow with confidence, compassion, and resilience.

Enrichment Activities

Cultivating Curiosity

Learning at COV extends far beyond the school day. Many of the children we serve haven't had access to enriching experiences like visiting a museum, hiking in the woods, or exploring the arts. Through our whole-child approach, enrichment activities provide new avenues for discovery, expression, and joy. These moments foster creativity, build real-world knowledge, improve fine motor skills, and help children connect more deeply with their community—and with themselves.

"I feel that the consistency, positivity, and the opportunities COV brings to these students' lives is incredible, and I feel the COV student in my class is a great example of how much positive growth comes from COV!"

— Kindergarten Teacher, Centennial Elementary

Field Trips & Hands-On Learning

- Exploring Bowman Bay with Salish Sea School
- Picking pumpkins at Schuh Farms
- Touring Western Washington University and Skagit Valley College
- Weekly activities with Mount Vernon Library Commons,
 Central Skagit Library, and Burlington Public Library
- ♥ Hiking & archery with Scouts of America at Fire Mountain
- Visiting the Children's Museum of Skagit County
- Participating in a music workshop with Skagit Symphony



"They are more focused, work on calming down when escalated, and make good choices when conflicts arise between themselves and peers."

—2nd Grade Teacher,Evergreen Elementary



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Children's Enrichment?
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Middle School Program: 6th-8th Grade



Growing Confidence Beyond the Classroom

In January 2025, we launched our Middle School Bike Club

in partnership with Cascade Bicycle Club—an important step in COV's plan for vertical expansion and continuity of care. This program bridges the gap between elementary and high school, ensuring students continue receiving support during the critical middle school years.

Through hands-on lessons in bike safety, maintenance, cycling laws, and the benefits of active transportation, students build practical skills and confidence. Those who complete the program can even earn a bike of their own. Beyond bike education, participants also receive homework help, healthy snacks, and enrichment activities that foster connection, opportunity, and growth.

Requirements for Students to Earn a Bike:

- **1.** Maintain 80% attendance and be an active member of the Bike Club.
- **2.** Create a presentation about how biking impacts you and your community.
- 3. Maintain passing grades.
- **4.** Show up with a positive attitude and be ready to try new things.
- **5.** Volunteer or do community service during Bike Club hours.



Serving Mount Vernon, Burlington-Edison, and Sedro-Woolley school districts.

MVSD: LaVenture, Mt. Baker

BESD: Allen, Lucille Umbarger, Westview

SWSD: Cascade (Fall 2025)

Total Students
Served

31

How Many Students Earned A Bike

27







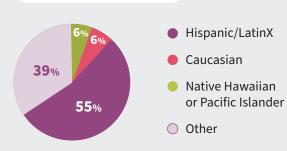
The Children of the Valley Bicycle Club is supported with funding from Washington's Climate Commitment Act. The CCA supports Washington's climate action efforts by putting cap-and-invest dollars to work reducing climate pollution, creating jobs, and improving public health. Information about the CCA is available at www.climate.wa.gov.

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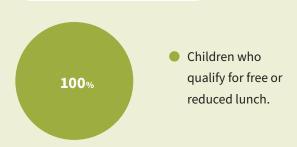
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Social-Emotional Growth

After completing the Middle School Bike Club, students showed notable growth in social-emotional skills, based on surveys taken before and after the program. These improvements reflect how the program fosters empathy, teamwork, and persistence:

- 17% more reported that other people's feelings matter to them
- ♥ 18% more said they encourage peers who are struggling
- ♥ 26% more said they work hard to solve problems

Field Trips & Hands-On Learning

Students put their new cycling skills to the test with rides to various destinations—including learning how to load their bikes onto a Skagit Transit bus for longer adventures.

- Training at Endurance Climbing Gym
- Visits to Mount Vernon Library Commons and Burlington Public Library
- Rides to local parks: Bakerview, Hillcrest, Kulshan Trail, Lions Club, Skagit Playfields etc.

Volunteer with Us! covmv.org/bicycle-club





Mentorship

Cultivating the Next Generation of Leaders

At Children of the Valley, mentorship doesn't end when students leave our classrooms. By staying connected through volunteering, internships, scholarships, and career pathways, COV graduates and community members have the chance to both learn and give back. This cycle of support ensures that seeds of hope planted in childhood grow into confidence, leadership, and a lasting impact on the next generation.



Mentoring Middle School & High School Students

Our teen volunteers receive comprehensive training and monthly workshops designed to prepare them for the workforce. From resume building to interview skills, we equip young people with tools for success.

Inspiring Students to Dream Big

Launched in 2024, the COV Dream Big Scholarship supports program graduates, staff, and volunteers in pursuing higher education. Congratulations to our 2025 scholarship recipients!



Recipients pictured left to right. Carly Deyo - Volunteer from MV Lucia Rodriguez - Volunteer from MV Eliza Diaz - COV Alumni



Danat Matias Volunteer from Burlington



Volunteer from MV



Jade Bautista Volunteer from SW



Ava Flores COV Employee





Guiding Aspiring Educators with Work-based Learning

Through partnerships with Skagit Valley College (SVC) and Western Washington University (WWU), COV is helping shape the future of education.

- With SVC's Maestros Para el Pueblo program, students gain work-based experience and employment opportunities.
- ♥ In 2024, SVC launched its Nurturing Relationships early childhood education course at COV, equipping future educators with skills in child development, safety, and culturally responsive teaching.
- Through WWU's Compass 2 Campus program, aspiring educators volunteer in our classrooms for hands-on experience.
- ♥ Since 2021, COV has also welcomed **WWU Human** Services interns—several of whom now serve on staff.



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COV staff have provided our students with a rare and valuable opportunity to engage directly with children in an after-school setting, deepen understanding of children's needs, systemic challenges, and apply our HSP curriculum directly to the field of human services.

Christina Van Wingerden, PhD

Academic Program Director/Human Services Program, Western Washington University

Providing New Graduates with Career Pathways

Many COV alumni, interns, and volunteers return as staff because of the meaningful experiences they've had here.



Melissa Alonso

Former WWU Human Services Intern and current Lead Activity Coordinator of the COV Bike Club

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My internship with COV had a big impact on how I approach my community work today. It helped me grow as a communicator and leader, and it showed me how small efforts—like creating space for learning—can lead to real change.



Cyntia Castro

Former Compass 2 Campus participant, COV staff, current Migrant Graduation Specialist at Mount Baker Middle School

Starting at COV through Compass 2 Campus was an amazing experience. It helped me build strong relationships with students and staff, and gave me a deep appreciation for the challenges our students face. It fueled my passion for education and community service which made me want to take on a more committed role. Working as a teacher at COV was the beginning of a journey that led me to where I am today—as a proud employee of the school district.

Family Support

Growing Stronger Together

Just as children thrive when nurtured, families flourish when supported. At COV, we walk alongside families to understand their unique needs and provide meaningful help—from housing and utilities to school supplies and community resources. Together, we create stability that allows children to grow and families to rise.



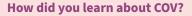
Here are just a few of the events we organized with community partners to support COV families this year.

- Utilities assistance with Puget Sound Energy
- Monthly workshops with Skagit Foundation for Academic Endeavors (FAE)
- Annual Dream Big Skagit Valley College field trip and resource fair



Family Spotlight

The Hernandez Orellana family has been part of COV's Washington Elementary location for one year. We recently asked them about their experience with COV.



Miss Adriana told me about the program and said that my daughter, Mariana, was a perfect candidate for the after-school program. She was referred by the school counselor and her teacher.

How has COV helped your daughter and family?

This program has many positive aspects. They have helped my daughter overcome her fears of learning, reading, and speaking in English. During the winter, my husband was laid off from his job for a while, and COV helped us with financial support to pay one month's rent. We are very grateful for that.



What impact have you seen in your daughter since attending COV?

The positive impact COV has had on my daughter Mariana is that she is a very quiet girl, and it usually takes her time to feel comfortable with others. This program has given her self-confidence to speak, express herself in English, make new friends, and read in English at a kindergarten level. We are not from here—we are from El Salvador—and she has learned so much in such a short time.

100% of Families Said YES

- COV has made a positive impact on their child
- COV has supported their child's social-emotional growth
- COV has strengthened their child's academic growth

*Based on responses from COV family surveys

Volunteers

Volunteer Spotlight

Volunteers help nurture confidence, connection, and care. Whether they're preparing healthy snacks, sounding out tough words, or simply showing up with a smile, their steady presence helps children grow. Their support inspires our kids every day—and is vital to everything we do.





Shining Bright: Kim Lee's Impact

Kim Lee, a Customer Success Manager at Safeway, has been a devoted volunteer and supporter of Children of the Valley for many years. In 2025, Kim went above and beyond by generously dedicating over 100 volunteer hours to our program. Through a partnership with the Safeway Foundation, she also contributed \$10,000 to support our mission. Kim also personally gifted every child in our program a cozy blanket and a storybook during our annual Giving Tree, making the season brighter for the children we serve.



Gloria Roy & Maria Perales-Perez Snack Preparers

Retired Mount Vernon School District employees

60 Hours



Adam Good

Academic Mentor Mechanical Engineer at Sedron Technologies

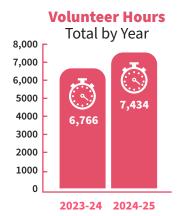
53 Hours

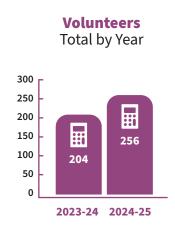


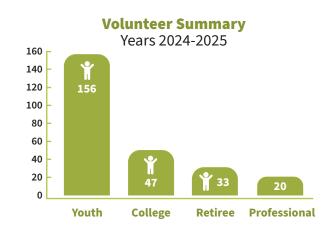
Fabiola Hernandez

Enrichment & Academic Support Middle schooler & former COV student

395 Hours







Alumni



Look How They've Grown

The seeds we plant at Children of the Valley continue to flourish long after students leave our program. Our alumni carry the confidence, values, and resilience they cultivated here into high school, college, careers, and beyond. On this page, you'll meet three former students whose journeys reflect the lasting impact of love, guidance, and consistent support—and remind us that when children are nurtured, communities grow stronger.



Jessica Leal-Garcia

- Attended COV from 2nd through 5th grade.
- Graduate of Mount Vernon High School
- Earned Associates from Skagit Valley College
- Pursuing a B.A. in Accounting at Seattle Pacific University
- **COV** is more than just academic support. It gives kids a sense of community, a safe space to grow, and the chance to meet others who share similar experiences. The staff and volunteers were always welcoming and genuinely cared. It made a huge impact on me.



Jathzy Cervantes

- Attended COV from 2nd through 5th grade.
- Graduate of Mount Vernon High School
- Studying Dental Hygiene at Bellingham Technical College
- **66** Even now, I carry the lessons I learned from COV. I'm no longer the shy, quiet child who was afraid to speak up. Because of COV, I know how to express myself, ask for help, and connect with others. It gave me a foundation I still build on today.



Cassandra Diaz

- Attended COV from 3rd through 6th grade.
- Graduate of Mount Vernon High School and Skagit Valley College
- Site Coordinator at Children of the Valley
- **66** I remember Flora and the other staff here giving me a graduation gown and cap. They took my picture with my graduation year. I still have it to this day hanging on my wall. That little girl—if she could see me today, she'd be really proud of me.

Strategic Plan



2023-2028: From Seeds to Blooms

With locations in Mount Vernon, Sedro-Woolley, and Burlington, Children of the Valley has planted strong roots in the community. To guide our next chapter of growth, the Board of Directors created a five-year strategic plan to strengthen and expand operations. The need is clear—waiting lists are growing and community voices affirm the importance of our work. In response, the Board identified three priorities to guide our path from seeds of hope to lasting impact.

Priority 1: Fiscal Sustainability

Diversify funding to sustain site expansion and program fidelity.

Goal: Increase our number of monthly donors.

We grew our community of monthly donors by 11% this year, strengthening the steady foundation that sustains our work year-round.

Goal: Expand our Leadership Circle.

This year, we are introducing a second Leadership Circle tier, making it easier for more organizations to join in sustaining our mission.

Goal: Raise awareness of program needs to attract new financial support.

This fall, we are launching our first-ever capital campaign to strengthen our foundation for years to come.

Priority 2: Middle School Support

Expand vertically by developing a middle school component for student retention and academic success.

Goal: Create support services for COV students moving on to middle school.

In January 2025, we launched our Middle School Bike Club in partnership with Cascade Bicycle Club.

Goal: Engage COV graduates to continue their connection to COV through volunteering.

The number of COV graduate volunteers is steadily increasing. We now also offer monthly volunteer workshops to help prepare youth for entering the workforce.

New Goal: Establish alumni group.

We are exploring ways to keep alumni of all ages connected to COV and each other.

Priority 3: **Program Fidelity**

Ensure that COV's mission and program integrity are maintained at each site and in each classroom.

Goal: Create systems to gather data and monitor student progression on Cornerstones of Care.

In partnership with local school districts, we are tracking attendance rates and academic growth, while also implementing new systems to measure family support, social-emotional learning, and enrichment outcomes.

Goal: Provide infrastructure support to maintain program quality.

We continue to invest in staffing, training, and systems to ensure that every site delivers the same compassionate, whole-child support that defines COV.



Financial Overview

The Roots of Our Impact

Thanks to the generous contributions of individuals, foundations, corporations, and grants, COV continues to grow strong roots in our community. Because of this support, children and families access our program completely free of charge.

It costs about **\$5,000 per child** per year to operate our program—an investment that provides so much more than academics. Each dollar helps nurture children's potential through safe care, enrichment activities, mentorship, family support, and opportunities that open doors for their futures.

Revenue Breakdown

Deep Roots of Support: 2024–2025 Funding Sources



In-kind Donations & Support: \$86,441



Individual Donations & Fundraisers: \$500,210



Grants, State, & Local Contracts: \$481,019

Our talented and compassionate staff help create the "village" every child deserves.



The True Value of Care

Families in our community would face enormous costs if programs like COV didn't exist.

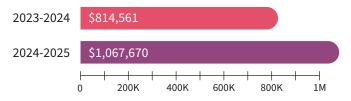
- After-school programs cost families on average
 \$97.80 per week per child.
- Tutoring can start at \$6,000 per school year, often for just one hour per day.
- And even at those costs, families would still lack the nutritious snacks, field trips, daily mentorship, and whole-child support that COV provides.

Data from OSPI and Afterschool Alliance; figures are approximate.

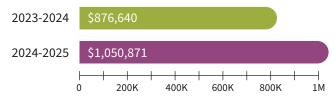
Revenue & Expenses

Growing Stronger Year Over Year

Total Revenue



Total Expenses





Leadership Circle

Thank You!

Our Leadership Circle is made up of businesses, foundations, and organizations dedicated to nurturing the growth of our community's most under-resourced children. These donors provide deep, enduring roots that sustain our mission, ensuring generations of children can grow strong, thrive, and flourish.

Organizations that have made a 3-year commitment to give \$25k or more per year.

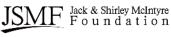


















Organizations that have given financial or in-kind support of \$10k or more in the past fiscal year.





Join the Leadership Circle

Help lay the foundation for a brighter future. To learn more, contact our Executive Director, Flora Lucatero, at flora@covmv.org.

"As both a parent and a business owner in Skagit County, I believe in investing where it matters most our kids. Partnering with Children of the Valley through the Leadership Circle is a way to open doors, nurture big dreams, and help every child know they belong."

Donor Recognition

Thank you to the individuals, churches, businesses, grants, and foundations whose generosity sustains Children of the Valley. These contributions allow us to continue providing vital services and support to our community's under-resourced children and their families.

Groundbreakers These **grants** and **foundations** have enriched the soil of our programs, providing essential resources that help children's potential take root and bloom.

The Albertsons Companies Foundation Boeing Employees Credit

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Soroptimist International of Burlington Starbucks Foundation The Norcliffe Foundation

The Powell Family Rev Trust Tucker Family Foundation Whatcom Educational Credit Union

Cultivators Our **corporate donors** and **community partners** help cultivate opportunity, providing resources that nurture young lives and strengthen our community.

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Foundation

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