



# Early Education Fosters Lifelong Learning

On average, kids know roughly 1,100 words by the time they are three years old. Yet, low-income children know only 500 words—creating a learning and achievement gap that continues to grow once they start school. **United Way of Salt Lake champions early childhood education because we believe every child deserves a strong start in school!**





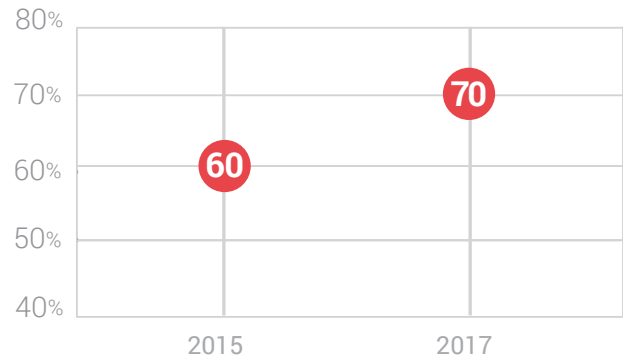
Whether it's promoting developmental screenings, educating parents, or ensuring that quality preschool is available for families no matter their circumstance, **United Way works to give every child the opportunity to reach his or her potential, starting at birth.**



## RESULTS

In South Salt Lake, where a significant number of parents speak a language other than English, **more 0- to 5-year-old children are developmentally on track**—thanks, in part, to UWSL's grassroots initiative to engage parents of young children.

**In South Salt Lake, more 0 to 5 year old children are developmentally on-track since 2015.\***



\* SOURCE: 2018 Utah Department of Health, ASQ's

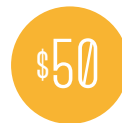
### Your donations go directly to ensuring local children have the strong start they deserve:



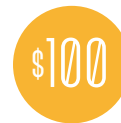
Equips parents with books and activities to help build their child's vocabulary from an early age.



Provides the required immunizations for a student to enter school healthy and ready to learn.



Connects families in crisis with services such as rent assistance, counseling, and child-care resources.



Increases access to preschool and personalized interventions for at-risk students.

## How Early Ed Helped Angie SUCCEED



As a young child from a low-income family, Angie had the opportunity to attend high-quality preschool through Granite School District. When she started, she and 237 of her peers tested eligible for special education. However, by 5th grade, Angie and her fellow preschool classmates were at the top of their class, outperforming many other students in their grade. These kids closed the achievement gap in math and English.

### They did not need special education. They just needed opportunity.

Now, Angie is entering 9th grade. She plays the violin and is a 4.0 student. She dreams of going to UCLA to become a pediatrician. Angie's mom says, "I am so fortunate to have been able to send Angie to preschool. She will be the first in our family to graduate and go on to college."

Join us in helping every child, every step of the way!

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