



# School on Wheels

Inspire Learning • Empower Kids • End Homelessness

*celebrating 10 years*



*We're on a Mission to End Homelessness Through Education*

There are **over 3,150 children** experiencing homelessness in Marion County on any given night, and **63 percent** are under the age of 12.

Homeless children change schools an average of **three times** while they are homeless. Each time they move, they need an average of **four to six months** to recover academically.

▪ *Inspire Learning* ▪

**School on Wheels** is Indianapolis' key to increasing educational opportunities for homeless children in order to break the cycle of homelessness.

▪ *Empower Kids* ▪

**Tutors In Action:**

- Provides backpacks, school supplies, school uniforms, educational student assessment and one-on-one after-school tutoring to homeless children.
- Over 400 volunteers provide free tutoring and friendly educational support at 12 locations.

**Ignite Learning:**

- Provides educational advocacy, guidance and support to homeless parents.
- Facilitates the process for homeless students to receive high school mentoring and college scholarships.

**Project L.I.F.E. (Learn Independence and Freedom through Education)**

- Matches middle school and high school students with academic mentors.
- Through goal based action plans, steers students on a path to graduation with a CORE 40 diploma.

▪ *End Homelessness* ▪

Homeless children are **twice** as likely to become homeless adults.

School on Wheels exists to break the cycle of homelessness by providing children with the educational tools they need to succeed in life.

“The single most effective tool in helping homeless families move from ‘surviving to thriving’ is education. For the homeless children of these families, they not only need to thrive in school, they need to make education a part of who they are—that is at the core of the mission of School on Wheels. The tutoring and mentoring of these young minds by School on Wheels is helping Holy Family Shelter make sure these children do not become the next generation of homeless adults.” – **Bill Bickel, Director of Holy Family Shelter**

**Help homeless children TODAY by volunteering or donating to School on Wheels!**

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