

Guadalupe Center

WHY?

- ▶ **41.6%** of Immokalee's population lives **below** the federal poverty level.
- ▶ **97% of students** in Immokalee's public schools qualify as economically needy.
- ▶ **Without support**, many academically successful Immokalee High School students will struggle with focusing on education versus working to help their families, and underperform in school.
- ▶ **54.2%** of adults over the age of 25 in Immokalee have **less than a 9th grade education**.
- ▶ **3% of the population** of Immokalee have a Bachelor's degree or higher.
- ▶ **5x** as many students from low-income households drop out of high school compared to middle and high income households.
- ▶ **3x** the national poverty rate, Black and Hispanic families rank higher compared to White families. (*American Psychological Association*)

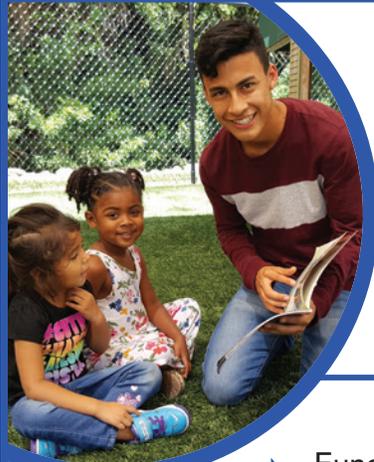


WHAT?



- ▶ **100 academically capable**, financially needy Immokalee High School students are enrolled in Tutor Corps.
- ▶ **\$16,000 is available** for each student to accrue in college scholarship funding.
- ▶ **\$2,500 per year** is the average wage earned by students working as Tutors in the After-school Program.
- ▶ **1-on-1** support is offered via adult mentors from the community.
- ▶ **All** students receive intensive pre-college preparation including public speaking, financial literacy & writing workshops, ACT & SAT prep, help with college applications, scholarship and financial aid applications, academic counselling and college tours.
- ▶ **100% of high school seniors** will graduate high school.
- ▶ **90%** or more will receive college degrees; to date 124 college graduates - a powerful return on investment.

HOW YOU CAN HELP



OPPORTUNITY	NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES	ANNUAL INVESTMENT
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| ▶ Fund ACT / SAT Preparatory Courses for Tutor Corps Students | 1 | \$15,000 |
| ▶ Sponsor a year of the Tutor Corps Experience for 1 student: wages earned, scholarship funding and program expenses | 100 | \$10,000 |
| ▶ Sponsor Transportation for Tutor Corps students to tour colleges | 2 | \$7,500 |
| ▶ Fund a Tutor Corps Student's pre-college summer experience | 25 | \$5,000 |
| ▶ Fund a Tutor Corps Student's college scholarship | 25 | \$4,000 |
| ▶ Fund a Tutor Corps Student's program expenses | 100 | \$3,500 |
| ▶ Sponsor a Tutor Corps Student's wages working in the After-school Program | 100 | \$2,500 |

“ My college degree allowed me to be in a profession that I love and that allows me to relocate to a city of my choosing. I chose to move back to SWFL as a reminder of the hard work and dedication that got me through school and the people I met growing up. I also love that my job has the flexibility to allow me to raise my son and still have a career that I love. ”

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 Breaking the cycle of poverty through education

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