

GIVING TUESDAY

NOVEMBER 22, 2023

Dear Caring New Mexican,

New Mexico is facing an educational crisis. The Land of Enchantment is listed near or at the bottom of states in terms of education achievement. The 2019 Kids Count Data Book summarized the economic problem – “Growing up in poverty is one of the greatest threats to healthy child development. It increases the likelihood that a child will be exposed to factors that can impair brain development and lead to poor academic, cognitive, and health outcomes”. You can help us help New Mexico’s youth overcome such obstacles.



Why is Early Childhood Education Important?



Amanda has sent her three children to Ms. Kathy’s preschool in Grants. Emeliana loves it and Amanda can see her daughter’s vocabulary growing every day. Amanda has seen her children advance by leaps and bounds in Ms. Kathy’s classroom, going in at the beginning of the year with a small vocabulary and coming out as readers by the following summer. “They have them learn the basics and by the end [of the year] they improve so much... And it starts them off early in education and maybe they’ll succeed when they get older”.

NMAEYC

The New Mexico Association for the Education of Young Children (NMAEYC) supports teachers like Ms. Kathy through professional development, statewide policy advocacy, and accreditation of early childhood education (ECE) programs. NMAEYC provides the professional support to expand Ms. Kathy's knowledge of best practices and impactful teaching techniques, while advocating for increased pay for her and her colleagues.

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How Can You Help?

By donating to the NMAEYC you will be helping support education from the ground up by investing in our early childhood educators and childcare providers. This is a tax-deductible donation that provides needed funds to keep NMAEYC's mission alive so we can support our programs across the state. You can donate by clicking this link: <https://www.nmaeyc.org/donate/>

All the Best,

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