

RIVERBEND ROCKS

RIVERBEND REACHING OUT TO COMMUNITY AND KIDS SOCIETY

YEAR-END REPORTS

What We Heard



2025
January -
December

Economic Mobility Programming

A YEAR IN REVIEW

PARTICIPANTS:

125

PRACTICUM
STUDENTS AND
VOLUNTEERS:

90

PRACTICUM
STUDENTS AND
VOLUNTEER HOURS:

1,692

OUTCOME 1: FINANCIAL SKILLS

68% of participants experienced positive changes in their **money management skills and financial literacy** (budgeting, asset building, government benefits/subsidies, savings, and decreased debt).

OUTCOME 2: FINANCIAL RESOURCES

76% of participants experienced positive changes regarding **access to resources that promote financial stability** (employment opportunities, career counselling, financial literacy training, etc).

OUTCOME 3: COMMUNITY SUPPORTS

91% of participants experienced a positive change in having sources of **personal, cultural, community, or professional support**.

WHAT HAS HELPED...

"After school program for my two kids. No worries for hefty daycare fees".

"Summer programs from Riverbend Rocks"

"programs about parenting, advice from other parents"

"My friends"

"Talking with other parents."

"Attending financial sessions knowing who to seek for help."

"Having the staff around my children"

"I've been taught to not waste money on too many wants."

Child & Youth Programming

DAILY PROGRAMS

PARTICIPANTS:

122

PRACTICUM
STUDENTS AND
VOLUNTEERS:

102

PRACTICUM
STUDENTS AND
VOLUNTEER HOURS:

3,503

OUTCOME 1: DEVELOPMENTAL SKILLS

96% of participants indicated that they have improved their **personal/social skills, communication skills, problem-solving skills, or coping skills.**

OUTCOME 2: CAREGIVER SUPPORT

100% of caregivers indicated that they have the tools and supports necessary to support health **social development** in their children.

OUTCOME 3: NETWORKS OF SUPPORT

100% of participants indicated that they have sources of **personal, cultural, community, or professional support.**

YOUR WORDS...

"When someone is alone I can play with them and be kind"

"I like to play a game that we all enjoy and sometimes distance helps if I am upset"

"I learnt to be able to communicate my feelings without hurting others"

"Riverbend ROCKS helps give me confidence"

"Being able to communicate my feelings without hurting others."

"It helps me be nice to other kids"

"It has taught me how to communicate with other people better"

"It has taught me to be more outgoing. I used to be very shy, but it has helped with this."

Child & Youth Programming

TUTORING PROGRAM

PARTICIPANTS:

39

PART-TIME
STAFF:

7

TOTAL TUTORING
HOURS:

824

OUTCOME 1: IMPROVED ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

91% of participants indicated that their **academic performance** and **progress** in school improved in 2026. Areas of improvement spanned across all subject areas.

OUTCOME 2: CONFIDENCE IN STUDENT ABILITIES

95% of participants indicated that participating in the tutoring program **boosts their confidence** in their abilities while in school.

OUTCOME 3: COMMUNITY SUPPORTS

100% of participants indicated that they would/do **recommend** Riverbend ROCKS tutoring to a friend and that they would like to **continue attending tutoring** in 2026, if possible.

YOUR WORDS...

"My tutor helped me with math a lot by playing games and it made me feel very smart"

"I know how to read now"

"my tutors help me understand words that I can't understand"

"I got better at multiplication before we covered it in school"

"My grades got better this year, especially in English"

"Tutoring helped me learn how to study things better"

"It helped me with learning to talk with teachers"

"I got better at LA thanks to studying with a tutor - especially when my teacher wasn't as good."