Realize what’s possible.
For over thirty years, the Fund has kept our promise of working to improve educational opportunities for all students in Baltimore City’s public schools. Throughout this time, we’ve played a critical role in efforts to increase literacy and graduation rates across the city, better prepare teachers and principals to become strong instructional classroom and school leaders, and advance college and career readiness.

Today, as Baltimore’s most experienced and trusted education intermediary, we continue to find ways to successfully translate and connect district priorities with community needs and expectations. Nowhere is this more evident than in the Fund’s recent “City Speaks: Community Voices on Baltimore Schools” report. The culmination of a months-long effort to hear from a large and diverse sample of Baltimore residents about their views of our city’s public schools, the report outlines key themes and recommendations for Baltimore’s district, city and community leaders.

This report reflects our long-standing belief that our city’s public schools play an outsize role in shaping the success and health of our community as a whole. Whether it’s informing district wide priorities and practice, engaging our community in discussions around promising reforms, or securing and managing dollars to support innovative programs in our schools, our commitment to students in our public schools remains the same. Our goal is to work together with our partners to make City Schools a district where all children can thrive and succeed academically.
Making an Impact

ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITY

• Our City Speaks: Community Voices on Baltimore Schools report is the culmination of a large-scale, neighborhood-by-neighborhood listening campaign — 859 participants in 63 conversations across all 55 Baltimore City census areas — to engage the community in defining priorities for our public schools as the new City Schools CEO began his tenure at the start of the school year. Taken together, these conversations paint a picture of what Baltimore residents most want for our students. The full set of findings from our study, including community snapshots, can be found at the City Speaks website.

• As host organization and a leading partner for the Baltimore Campaign for Grade Level Reading (GLR), we are supporting the Campaign’s efforts to promote on grade level reading by the end of 3rd grade. The core focus areas for the Campaign include school readiness, school, and extended learning opportunities. Learn More.

INFORMING DISTRICT PRIORITIES AND PRACTICE

• The Fund is partnering with City Schools to re-design its Charter School Application and scoring rubric. With 31 charter schools in operation, and another three slated to open over the next two years, City Schools is a leader in charter school authorization in Maryland. To improve the application and approval process, we are working together to develop a new review rubric that will assess quality in a more standardized way, and also align with the district’s charter renewal and school effectiveness protocols. Learn More.

• We’ve played a lead role in bringing the nationally recognized Chicago Parent Program to City Schools’ pre-K programs this Fall. As host for Baltimore’s new ChiPP program and it partnership with The Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, we are now providing strategic and grant management support for its initial three-year implementation in 6 to 10 pre-K programs annually. ChiPP is a 12-session evidence-based parenting program that uses video vignettes and group discussion to improve parenting confidence, promote positive discipline strategies, and reduce behavior problems in young children.

SECURING AND MANAGING INVESTMENTS IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

• The Fund works closely with district and funder leadership to shape and evaluate innovative reform initiatives for potential private investment. Over the last two years, the Fund has secured over $20M in private dollars for a variety of critical district reform efforts. As grant manager for these private dollars, the Fund ensures that implementation goals are met, funds are used in strict accordance with grant guidelines, and results are disseminated to appropriate stakeholders. Read More.

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