**GOAL:** Children Enter School Ready and Are Successful in Primary School

- **768,432** children received literacy support
- **5 OUT OF 8** children reading at grade level
- **84%** of children achieved developmental milestones
- **77%** of children are academically proficient by end of kindergarten
- **86%** of children maintained or improved school attendance
- **84%** of children achieved developmental milestones

**INVESTED**

- **$274,921,180**

**NOT ALL SOLUTIONS ARE FUELED BY DOLLARS:** In Hartford, CT, the United Way of Central and Northeastern CT designs its volunteer activity to advance community outcomes. Through United Way Readers, volunteers spend an hour per week with young struggling readers, following curricula from literacy experts. Its success has grown: United Way Readers is now in 11 schools and 5 after-school sites. But not everyone can leave work to volunteer, so United Way brings opportunities to them. More than 1,100 volunteers have created literacy kits at their workplaces, making literacy activities to make reading fun for 2,700 children. Whatever their work situation, volunteers can make a difference in children’s lives.