



SUN Community School Profile 2015

Robert Gray Middle School

Lead Agency: Impact NW

Service Area & Target Groups/Focus

Children, adults and families who are homeless, living in poverty and/or at risk of academic failure – primarily from school neighborhood, but services are open to anyone.

School Population: 527 students; Grades 6-8; 24% Free and Reduced Lunch;
25% Students of Color (African American 2%, American Indian/AK Native <1%, Asian 4%,
Hispanic 8%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander <1%, Multiple Race 10%, White 75%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

Homework Club (Before and After School)
MakerSpace
American Sign Language
Japanese
Step Up to Compacted Math
Eat the Rainbow
Mathematician Madness

Enrichment

Break Dancing
Creative Arts
Culinary Cooking Creations
PTA Drama
Chess Club
Clay Sculpting
LEGO Robotics
Brain Talent Profile
The Science of Self
Games, games and more games
Ceramics
Mural Project
Minecraft Club

Youth Leadership/Involvement

GSA (Gay Straight Alliance), Fuel Up to Play 60; YOUth Film Project; G.R.E.A.T.

Recreation

Soccer; Basketball; Girls' Volleyball; Open Gym; Table Tennis Club; SUN Lunch Hour; Dodgeball; Futsal; Flag Football

Summer Programs

4-Week Robert Gray SUN Summer of Fun: Tinker Camp, Fuel Up, Love RGMS, SUN Olympics

Adult Education

PTA General Meetings; How to parent a Tween workshop and brain science

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Women Career and Trades Fair
Field Trip
Girls Empowerment Group

Community/Cultural Events

Ping Pong Tournament; Table Tennis Exhibit; SUN School Winter Showcase; Back to School BBQ/ Open House; Multicultural Fair; Chess Tournament; R. Gray Spring Talent Show; Rock Spring Play; Rose City Live Winter Play; Once Upon a High School Fall Play; Feeder School Orientation; Stephens Creek Crossing Community Potluck Dinner; SCRAP School & Community Reuse Action Project; National Night Out

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; School-wide parent meetings and activities
Life Works NW Strengthening Families; Weekend Backpack Food Program; Fall Conferences;
PTA

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment and connection of students and families with services; development of referral system

SUN CS Advisory Body (SUN staff school staff, parents, students, and partner agencies)

Partner Meetings

Student Staffing Meetings

Site Management in Out-of-School Time

Partner and Resource Development

5 Community Agency Partners

605.5 volunteer hours contributed

\$34,800 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Additional Services

Home Forward at Stephen Creeks Crossing
Leap into 9th Grade

Evaluation

Outputs

240 youth served

11% students of color

39% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”

24% qualified for free and reduced lunch

40 adults served

2352 people served in non-enrollment events
(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

75% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *

77% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *

Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was 95%

*due to changes in state testing these numbers are
not available for this year

SUN Spotlight

Since the opening of Home Forward's redeveloped Stephens Creek Crossing (SCC) in January 2014, SUN School has worked in collaboration with the SCC staff to help transition the youth and families into Robert Gray Middle School and the Hillsdale community. A new position at Neighborhood House, funded by Home Forward, is the Youth Outreach Specialist. This staff person has a strong partnership with SUN School and that helps connect the SCC youth to the schools in our neighborhood. The Youth Outreach Specialist collaborated with SUN School to host a break dancing competition at Robert Gray Middle School called Break Unity. The Break Unity event brought Stephens Creek Crossing, Robert Gray, and the dance community together for a positive experience break dancing. The SUN School and SCC break dancers did a performance, and professional breakers from Portland and Seattle shared their talents in a competition. The Break Unity event was a great way to highlight the talents of staff, youth, and our community. We hope to bring more events like this to Robert Gray Middle School!



SUN Community Schools are a collaboration of Multnomah County, the City of Portland, local school districts, nonprofits and community.

