



Sheridan Youth Assistance Program

ANNUAL REPORT 2025



A Year of Transition

2025 saw SYAP reach 10 years as an organization in Sheridan. A celebration was held in April to mark this milestone and celebrate the retirement of Lisa Samuels, our founding Early Intervention Advocate. The Lisa Samuels Scholarship was established as an annual scholarship for a Sheridan High School graduate who has had involvement with SYAP.



OUR MISSION

The Sheridan Youth Assistance Program (SYAP) strives to build a healthy community for tomorrow by extending a helping hand to the youth of today through the coordination of services, family assistance, tutoring and mentoring.



Beth Sabelhaus was hired as the Early Intervention Advocate for SYAP in July of 2025. Beth has almost 20 years of experience working with youth serving nonprofits. She has been the SYAP Mentor Coordinator overseeing the community mentoring program and Blackhawk Buddies since January 2021. She looks forward to continuing to serve Sheridan youth.

Who are the youth of Sheridan Youth Assistance?

- **188 individual students received case management services in 2025**
- **64 youth were new referrals to SYAP**
- **84% of case management clients received free or reduced lunch**
- **16% of Sheridan Community Schools 2024-2025 students had case management services**
- **20% of Sheridan youth were served through SYAP community programs**

Direct Supports and Programs Listing

Pro-social Activities

10 Youth attended summer camps

23 Youth participated in SYAP supported Camptown programs

40 Youth attended Noblesville Boys and Girls Club in summer 2025

89 Youth supported in Sheridan Rec Sports or other community activities

35 Youth supported in school sports

4 Youth supported in fine arts aid

16 Youth supported in school events/trips

Investment in the Future of Youth

11 Teen youth participated in the SYAP summer employment program

2 Career days offered to all Sheridan students grades 7-12

6 Youth supported by purchasing cap/gown or support for career programs

Childcare Support

5 Youth were supported with financial support for Blackhawk Care daycare

Family Emergency Support

32 Families received emergency support for clothing, food, housing, auto repairs, auto fuel, eye glasses, or utilities

Support and Programs Listing, cont.

Academic Support

140 Youth supported with after school SYAP tutoring
4 Tutors met with students for extra support during the school day

Mental Health Support

21 Youth received financial support for therapy services through grant funding
35 Students were connected with one-on-one therapy
247 One-on-one check ins with mental health coordinator/social worker
17 Youth participated in small groups led by therapists
15 Youth participated in programs with Ben's Ranch

Mentoring Support

10 Youth were supported by community mentors
49 Youth were supported by a Blackhawk Buddy peer mentor



Community Programs

- 138 Families served through Sheridan Holiday Assistance Program in partnership with Sunflower Pantry and Mama's Cupboard
- Over 190 youth received school supplies, shoes, backpacks and more through the Sheridan Back to School Program in partnership with Sunflower Pantry, Mama's Cupboard, and Six Points Church
- 34 Families registered for the Groceries 2 Go program with Gleaners Foodbank
- 40 Sheridan elementary youth received weekend food through Backsacks Program with Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank
- 23 Sheridan family needs met through the Care Portal, a collaboration of Hands of Hope ministry and local Hamilton County churches

2025 Impact Snapshot



- SYAP provided **\$107,513** of direct assistance or program assistance to Sheridan families/youth in 2025
- Year 2 of a Lilly Endowment Grant provided **\$97,862** for SYAP mentoring and tutoring programs in 2025

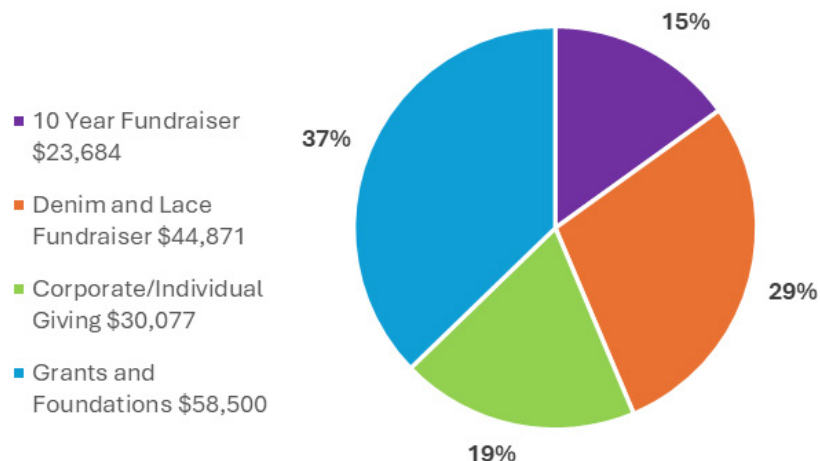
"Well financially they have helped but in so many other ways as well. I like the programs they have to offer to help keep the kids occupied and that is important to me. It's helped all of my kids keep busy not only during the school year but during the summer. It opens up relationships, the kids personalities to others.... I have friends that have teens worried about their kid sitting home all day on the phone or not being interactive with others and I don't have to worry about that. Raising teens is hard and as the generations grow, it's getting harder especially when you are an 'old school' parent. "

-SYAP Parent Testimony

2025 Funding Snapshot

*not including Lilly Endowment Funds

2025 Funding for SYAP



SYAP 2025 Supporters

Thank you to the following organizations, businesses and families for making 2025 SYAP programs possible!

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Hamilton County Youth Assistance Program



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