



SOAR DETROIT CEO: RUSSELL HARRIS JR.

Soar family,

I'm overjoyed at what we've collectively been able to accomplish over the past year. In a world where nonprofits are closing their doors every day, God has continued to make a way for us to thrive. Over the past 365 days we've seen the number of students enrolled in our program nearly double. Our mentors have dedicated *thousands of hours to our mission of improving reading proficiency in the city. This was our first year piloting a paid mentor model which we believe will solve our mentor shortage gap, thus allowing us to serve more students long term.

Financially, Soar is soaring! Last year we raised nearly 1 million dollars from a diverse development portfolio of foundations, individual donors, corporations, and local church donations.

Soar partnered with more community-based organizations this school year, allowing us to share more about Jesus with young people. We are thankful for our lasting school partners and the tremendous support from our Grace Community Church partner, to name a few. Our Eagle sports program had an incredible year, serving over 1,500 students. We are now gearing up for fall soccer which is our bread-andbutter way of teaching young people about Jesus.

This year Soar Detroit will serve over 400 students while broadening our program to include more diverse ways of engaging students. This is no easy challenge and will not happen without your support. Please continue to pray, offer time, and invest in the lives of our Detroit. They need us more now than ever.

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Numbers of partners including colleges, universities, churches, and corporations.

Number of mentors who tutored Soar **Detroit students** both remotely and in person

Students who received literacy support from Soar Detroit.

Hours in which students received one-on-one tutoring.

SOAR PARTNERSHIPS



BIGNEWS...

In 2022, we partnered with Detroit Public Schools Community District's Career Readiness Program to reintroduce our High School Mentorship Program.

High School students from Academy of the Americas and Western International High School were trained as reading tutors and were paid for their work with elementary students in Southwest Detroit.



#SOARWORKS

"We watch our students get excited about meeting with their individual tutors and many have developed a love for learning."

- Principal Simpson, DPSCD





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learn about

Jesus.

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