

# Homework Centers and Reading Together

Library Board May 2025

#### **Homework Centers**

Homework Centers are comfortable spaces at the library where students of all ages can drop in and work on their homework independently or with assistance from volunteer tutors.



#### 2024 Stats

- 841- Individual students who found help at Homework Centers. (10% increase)
- 239 Volunteer tutors at Homework Centers. (55% increase)
- 4,640 Total hours of tutoring provided by Homework Centers. (7% decrease)



#### Resources

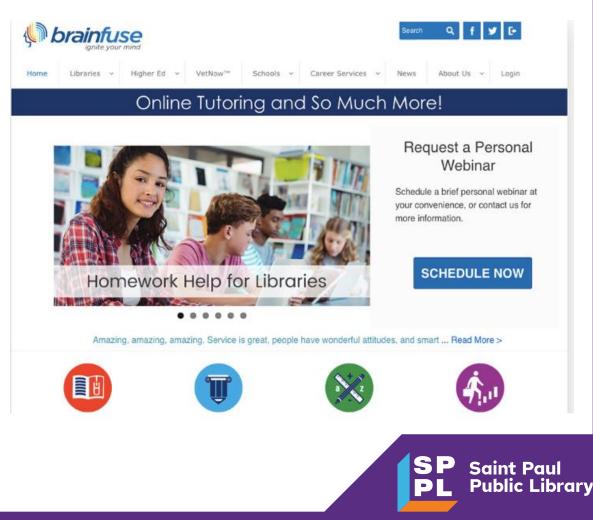
- Computers
- School Supplies
- Study Space
- Partners
- Trained Volunteers
- Library Staff

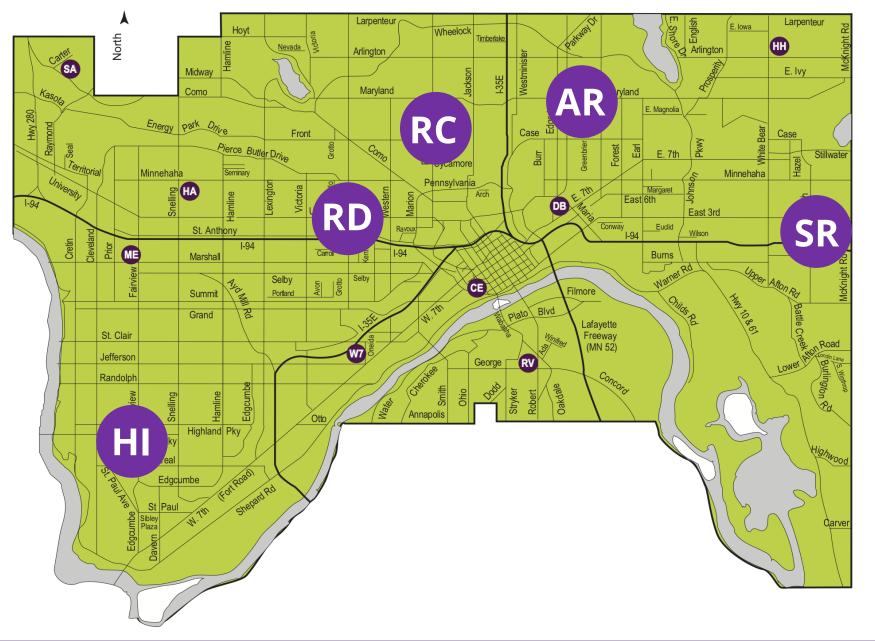




## **HelpNow Live Online Tutoring**

- Free with your library card
- Help from expert tutors.
- Available every day 1:00 pm – 11:00 pm.
- Available in English and Spanish.





**AR:** Arlington Hills

**HI:** Highland Park

RC: Rice Street

**RD:** Rondo Community

SR: Sun Ray



## Funding

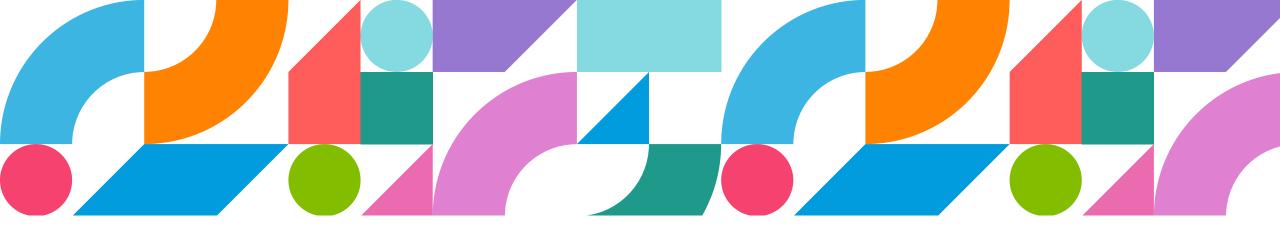
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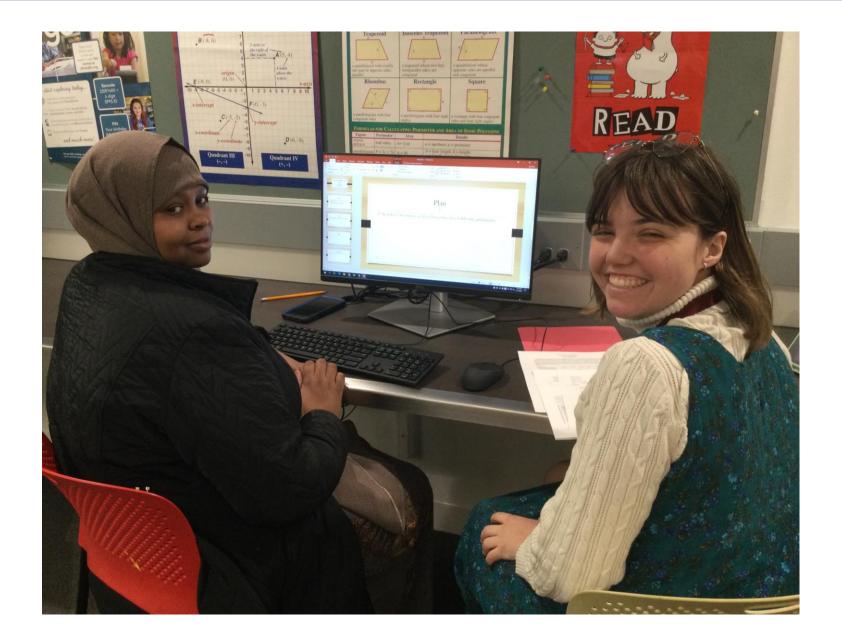




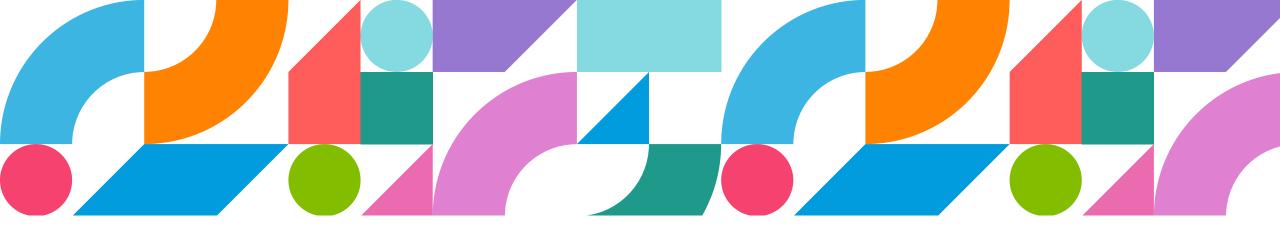


## "Helps me focus and feel secure in my work!"

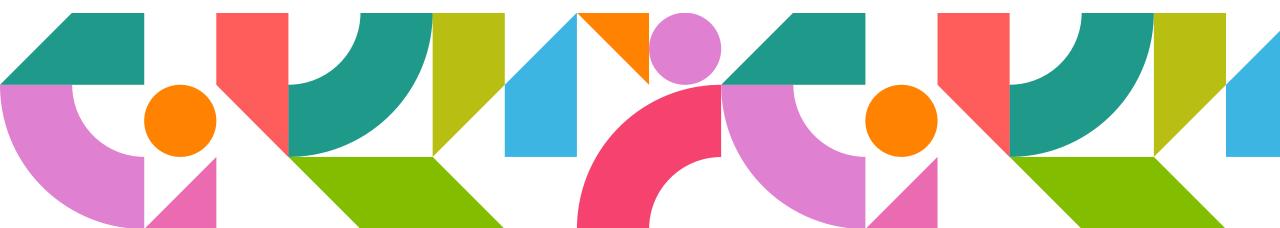








# "Helped me prepare for a test for work"



#### **Reading Together**

Reading Together is a weekly program that pairs youth in 1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade with a volunteer mentor. Youth practice reading, connect with books they love, and play games to help boost literacy skills.



#### 2024 Stats

- 131- Learners who participated in Reading Together (5% increase).
- 110 Volunteer Mentors (74% increase)
- 1,473 Total hours of mentor/mentee engagement (127% increase)

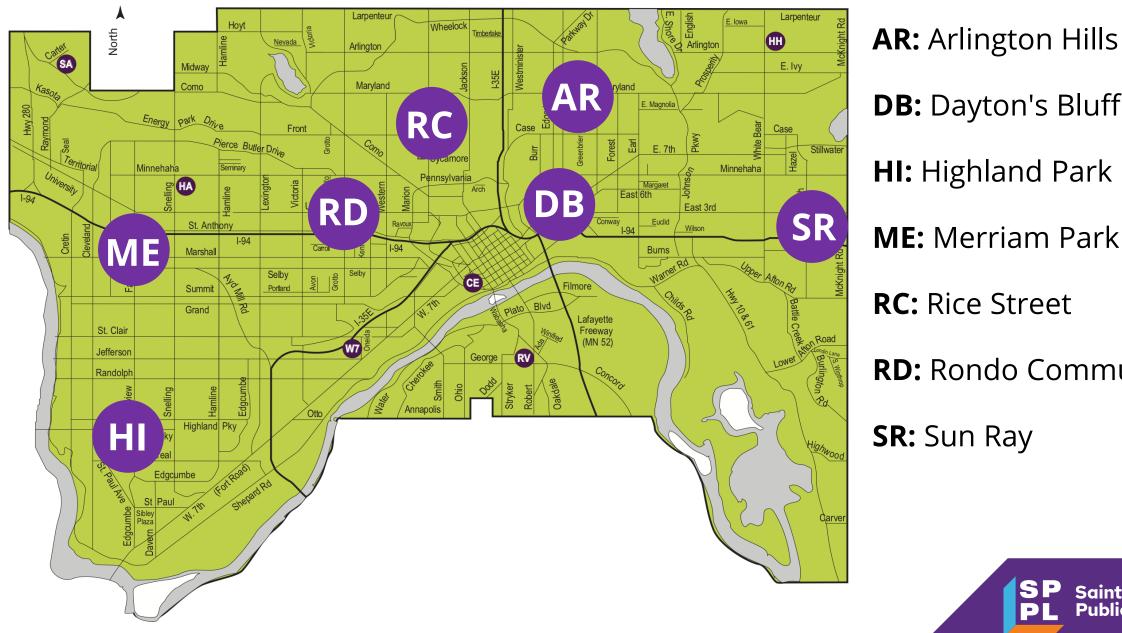


#### Resources

- Free Books
- Literacy Games
- STICKERS
- Partners
- Enthusiastic Volunteers
- Library Staff







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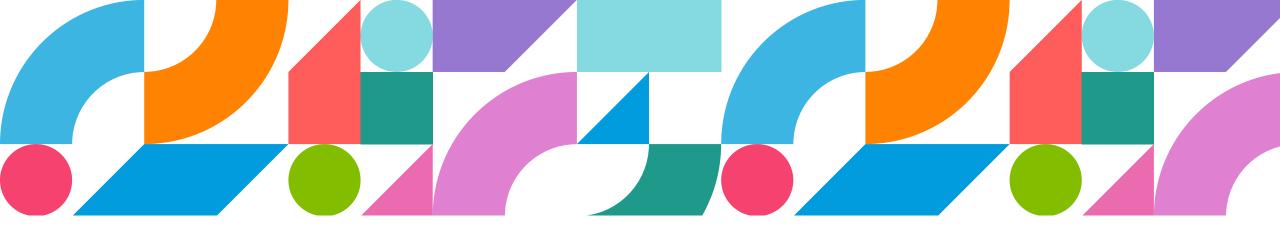
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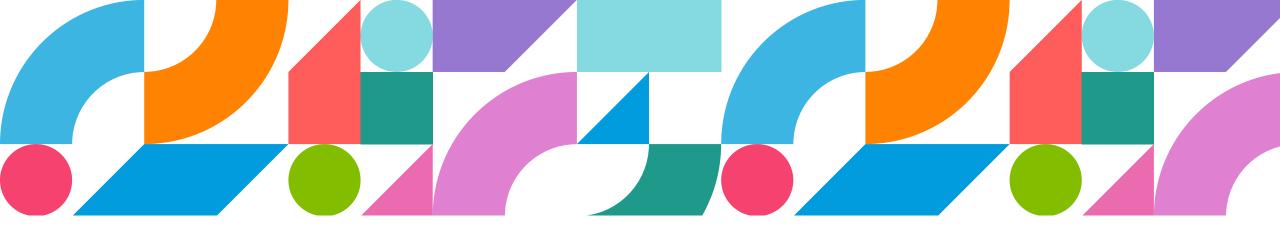


## "I like drawing pictures about what I read"

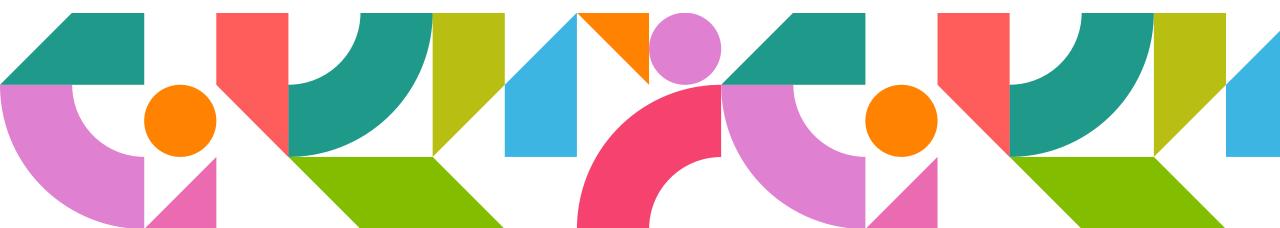


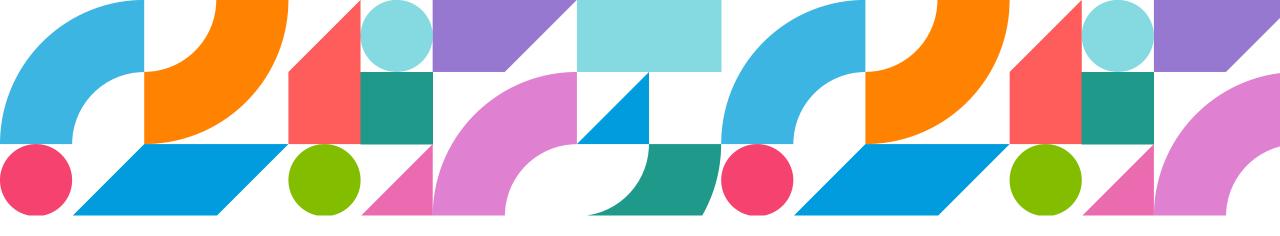






# "I'm proud of myself for becoming a better reader"





# Thank you! Any questions?

