Catholic Charities Youth Club at St. Francis of Assisi offers summer and after-school educational programs for second to fifth grade youth living in East Palo Alto. Low-cost tutoring, physical fitness, and technology and environmental education services provide a safe haven of learning and growth.

Through dedicated homework time and tutoring, the Youth Club improves language, literacy, math, and science skills in order to close the educational achievement gap. Youth Club children grow into healthy and self-sufficient adults who positively contribute in their community and the world.

**SERVICES**

- After-school programming, including homework support, individual tutoring, and nutritious snacks
- Enrichment activities, including art, physical fitness, reading, science and community field trips
- Staff from the community are role models and mentors
- Parent education and family support program
- Counseling, information, and referral to local agencies
- Partnerships with local organizations including Ravenswood School District, Sponsor Employment Program, Community Access Ticket Services, One East Palo Alto, Sacred Heart Preparatory, Stanford Haas Center, College Track, and Belle Haven Pool

**107 CHILDREN SERVED**

**IMPACT**

These results are based on the self-sufficiency matrix assessment tool completed for the head of household.

- 70% reading at or above grade level by the end of the school year
- 82% believe they understand math better as a result of the program
- 94% believe their reading is better as a result of the program
- 95% believe there is an adult who cares about them as a result of the program