

Help Grow Our Kids

Make a Difference in the Life of a Child

HELP GROW OUR KIDS. Give a child the precious gift of discovery by being a *Friend of Evergreen* and making a contribution to the Evergreen Heritage Center (EHC) Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity dedicated to changing lives through hands-on learning experiences.

The EHC Foundation, located in Allegany County where 75% of elementary school children qualify for USDA's Free and Reduced Meal program, provides **award-winning education programs** designed to help overcome poverty. The Foundation currently serves over 8200 children & families annually.

Based at the historic 130 acre Evergreen Heritage Center in Mount Savage, the EHC Foundation offers quality hands-on field trips and in-school programs (all aligned with the Maryland State Curriculum). These enrichment programs create learning excitement, enable active exploration of science and the arts, and **increase student science and art literacy by 25 to 50% per class.**

Although grants and partner contributions help, many grants require matching community dollars. As a *Friend of Evergreen*, 100% of your **tax deductible donation provide those matching funds** that can make a difference in the life of a child. *Friends of Evergreen* are also eligible for discounts on EHC programs including its popular summer camp.

Whether you sponsor one child (\$25), four children (\$100), or ten children (\$250), **your contribution will Help Grow Our Kids.** You can also honor or remember a loved one or animal companion with a *Friends of Evergreen* donation in their name.



Kindergarten students investigating seeds from tomatoes they harvested from the EHC Children's Discovery Garden

Friends of Evergreen donations made by **December 31st** will be **matched dollar for dollar** by our Foundation Board, enabling your contribution to help **twice as many children!**

To learn more about the EHC, visit www.evergreenheritagecenter.org.

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