

# **LEND A HELPING HAND**

Without our dedicated volunteers, sponsors, and contributors, much of what we accomplish wouldn't be possible. There are many ways you can support the Dreaming Zebra® Foundation and the youth we serve.

#### **Get Involved**

- Establish a donation center in your home or business
- Host an art or music supply drive
- Sponsor an artist or classroom
- Volunteer

#### Donate

In addition to donations of materials and time, cash donations are vital to the mission of Dreaming Zebra®Foundation. Funds to cover shipping, storage, and other administrative costs are needed throughout the year. Your donation is tax deductible and supports art and music education for disadvantaged youth in the community.

To become a volunteer or sponsor please visit **www.dreamingzebra.org** or call **(503) 206-6400**.

"When I first heard about the foundation I knew it was one I wanted to be part of... Knowing that art materials and musical instruments are going into the hands of the kids... makes it quite easy and very satisfying to be a volunteer."

- Richard Jones, Volunteer Portland, OR The Dreaming Zebra\*Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charity providing support so that children and young adults are given an equal opportunity to explore and develop their creativity in the arts.



Dreaming Zebra® FOUNDATION

Every child has a dream.

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Art & Music Supplies for Kids





## THE DREAMING ZEBRA<sup>®</sup> FOUNDATION

The Dreaming Zebra<sup>®</sup>Foundation was incorporated in Portland, Oregon in the interest of promoting greater access to the arts for children and young adults. Our founders recognized a pressing need in many communities for the promotion of charitable donations of art and music supplies to support individuals, schools, and other nonprofit organizations serving youth and the arts.

Core to our identity is the belief that all children, regardless of their financial circumstances, should have access to art education. As a public charity powered by volunteers, this belief drives all that we do.

The Dreaming Zebra<sup>®</sup>Foundation's supporters share a common passion for education, the environment, and community, and as such, we are able to connect the synergies between those who support the arts and those in need.

"Thank you for the great art materials that your organization has provided for us.... Whenever I mention 'Art Activity' the kids immediately light up. Thank you for helping to make this possible."

Caitlin Matthews Harvey Scott Elementary School, Portland, OR





# **HOW WE HELP**

Research has shown that art education has a tremendous impact on the developmental growth of every child and has proven to help level the learning field across socioeconomic boundaries. Yet all too often art and music are the first areas affected by budget cuts, leaving children and young adults without the resources necessary to participate in these education enriching programs. By providing art and music materials free of charge to schools and community organizations, the Dreaming Zebra®Foundation is instrumental in increasing access to the benefits of art and music education for thousands of children across the country.

### **ART SUPPLIES**

We welcome donations of any art supply that can be used creatively, whether new or used, from recycled items to glitter, paints, sewing materials, pottery wheels and kilns, craft items, photography, and theatrical supplies. Visit our "wish list" at www.dreamingzebra.org to view a list of specific items that students are in significant need of today.

### MUSIC

Band instruments, keyboards, and guitars are requested by the majority of our recipients in underserved areas. The Dreaming Zebra®Foundation also accepts instruments in need of gentle repair, and collaborates with community sponsors and volunteers to bring them back to life in the hands of local students.

To donate art or music supplies call **503-206-6400** or contact **donations@dreamingzebra.org** 

## COMMUNITY ART RECYCLING PROGRAM

Our foundation is unique in that we provide an art recycling program that is free to the public. Reusable art & music supplies that would otherwise be discarded, along with new or unsold materials, are donated by individuals and businesses and matched to recipients who have requested those materials for arts education purposes in the community.

Our recipients frequently include schools and community centers, at risk and homeless youth, mentoring groups, art therapy and special education programs, and other nonprofit organizations in need, with an emphasis on diverse populations of vulnerable youth in underserved communities.

### SIMPLE MATERIALS CAN INSPIRE KIDS

Many individuals and business owners are surprised to learn that basic secondhand materials can be recycled to create an art class for children in need.

