

UPWARD TRAJECTORY

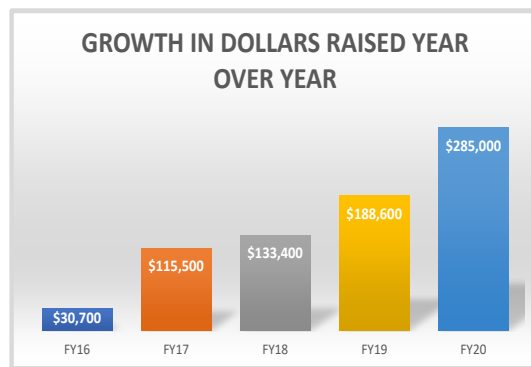
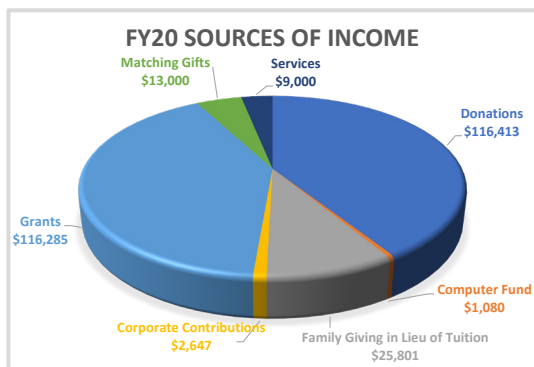
The Impact of Philanthropy at Math Circles of Chicago



2019-20 (FY20) was a record year in terms of philanthropy from foundations, major donors and annual fund supporters. We launched a “Family Giving in Lieu of Tuition” initiative that generated significant financial resources while dually serving as an indicator of perceived value from MC²'s core constituency base.

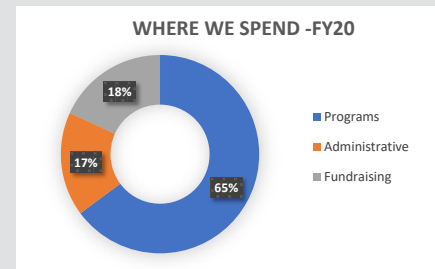
Our ambitious FY20 fundraising goals provided for broad program expansion and impact.

Investments such as yours allow MC²'s programs to be free for each and every student.



MC² strives to be thoughtful stewards of your investment, developing and delivering in-person and online programs with focus, dedication, and expertise. In short, your dollars count. They are meaningful, leveraged wisely, and always needed.

Your belief in our mission helped MC² end our FY20 more fiscally sound than ever before.

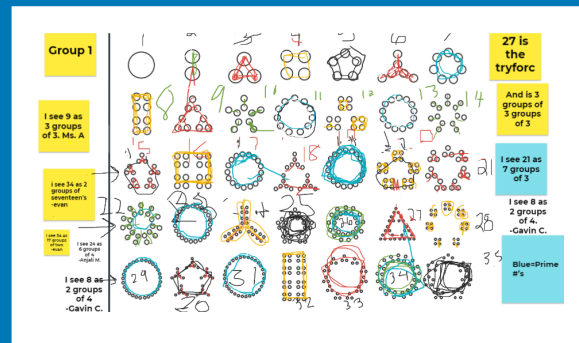


As this school year unfolds in the unprecedented era of COVID-19, MC² welcomes 500 students into robust and engaging online math circles. Beginning in late March, we have modified our models and developed lesson plans that help students thrive through online learning.

“I loved everything I learned and experienced! This was a very fun and exciting week; I hope I can do it again!” -Summer Camp participant

“I didn’t feel bad if I didn’t know something or if I got something wrong when I’m announcing it on zoom meetings.” -Online spring student

“This is so incredibly impressive. I bounced around the site a bit and it’s awesome what you have developed for the virtual learning. Thank you for taking the time to share this information. I have already enthusiastically shared it with my colleagues!” -Program Officer from The Brinson Foundation

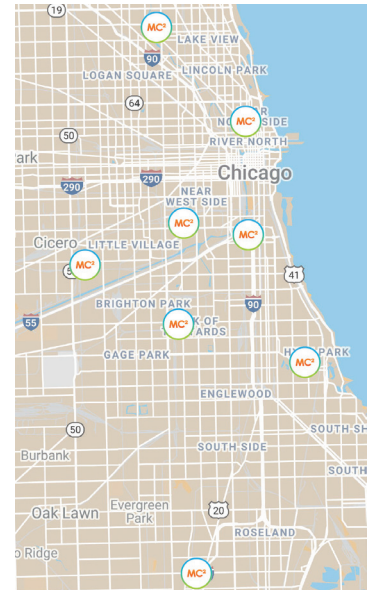


FY20 - A Great Year in Review

In FY20, 44% of MC² students qualified for free and reduced lunch, 43% were girls, 22% were African-American and 25% Latino. The 791 students served in FY20 attended 150 different Chicago Public Schools and represent nearly all of Chicago's 57 zip codes. Since its founding, Math Circles of Chicago has served over 3,250 Chicago students.

Key Accomplishments

- 36% increase in overall number of students served.
- 8th site launched in the Back of the Yards Neighborhood, serving nearly 70 students.
- 92% overall student strong satisfaction rate.
- 17 students (100% of requesting families) received complimentary computers for Summer Camp.
- Named the 2020 Excellent Emerging Organization by the Axelson Center for Nonprofit Management at North Park University. <https://tinyurl.com/mc2axelson>



FY21 - Looking Forward

21 online fall classrooms with **3** teachers per virtual classroom

+

34 classrooms when we return to in-person sessions

+

15 MC²iaB after school program classrooms*

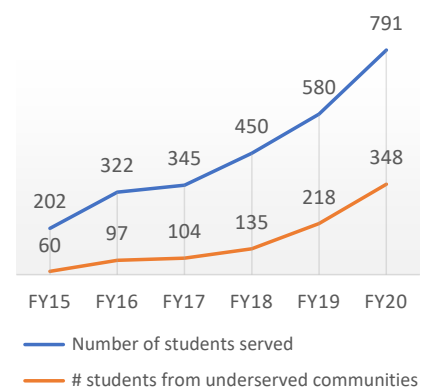
+

6 Summer Camps

=

1,200 children, a **50%** expansion over our pre-COVID work.

Student Growth Year Over Year



**A core goal moving forward is to strengthen impact solely into underserved communities, furthering the organizational ethos of "All Chicago. Every kid. Amazing math." Math Circles in a Box (MC²iaB) is a new model that gives schools access to MC² lesson plans for their own after school programs. Rolling out this model in Back of the Yards, Austin and Little Village will broaden our reach to the most underserved student populations and those least likely to access our traditional site model.*

Launched in 2010, Math Circles of Chicago provides free, unique math enrichment programs outside of regular school hours and across Chicago for 5th - 12th grade students of diverse backgrounds with the goal of equipping children to excel in STEM fields in college and beyond.

MC²'s curriculum is unique and scalable, with a fully developed two-year curriculum for five two-academic year program levels. Its curriculum, instructors, site partnerships and core organizational capacity are the building blocks to a systemic passion for math across Chicago's middle and high schools. MC² is uniquely positioned through its strong relationships with Chicago Public Schools and local universities to deliver high-quality, engaging math enrichment across the city.