

OUR INVESTMENT

Each sponsoring congregation provides at least one lay leader to serve on the leadership team and invests \$2,600 (20% of the projected operating budget) to conduct a CDF Freedom Schools® program to serve 50 vulnerable elementary school age children.

Pensacola's first CDF Freedom Schools® program is scheduled to launch in the summer of 2020, the 50th Anniversary Jubilee Celebration year of the Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast!

WE INVITE YOU TO INVEST WITH US!

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IN SPONSORING A
**CHILDREN'S
DEFENSE FUND**
FREEDOM SCHOOLS®
PROGRAM



Through the CDF Freedom Schools® model, we empower youth to excel and believe in their ability to make a difference in themselves, their families, communities, country and world with hope, education and action.

We believe in an intergenerational leadership model. That's why our program is staffed primarily by college students and recent college graduates, with a 10:1 child to adult ratio. As a result, many children and youth make significant gains in reading achievement and don't experience any summer learning loss.

70% of parents saw increased reading confidence in their children

84% of Scholars avoided summer learning loss

90% of parents were interested in engaging in social action with their children

OUR MISSION



CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND FREEDOM SCHOOLS®

Rooted in the Mississippi Freedom Summer project of 1964, the CDF Freedom Schools® program is a six-week summer literacy and cultural enrichment program designed to serve children and youth in grades K-12 in communities where quality academic enrichment programming is limited, too expensive, or non-existent. By partnering with schools, faith and community-based organizations, municipalities, colleges and universities, and juvenile detention facilities, we are able to offer this program in these communities at no-cost.



CDF Freedom Schools® students engage in a research-based, multicultural Integrated Reading Curriculum that supports them and their families through five essential components:

- 1) High quality academic enrichment
- 2) Parent and family development
- 3) Civic engagement and social action
- 4) Intergenerational servant leadership development
- 5) Nutrition, health and mental health

Students also receive two nutritious meals and a snack daily, as well as a book each week to build their home libraries.

