



2021 Highlights- During COVID-19

- Delivered 400 Food Care Packages to local elementary schools with the community partnership of Sahara-Columbus
- Secured a micro grant of \$10,000 through VELA Education Fund
- Secured a sponsorship of \$3111.00 through The Erie Community Foundation
- Donated over 350 books to youth/ teens at community events during COVID-19
- Every Empower Up event families were given Safety kits filled with hand sanitizer, trash bags, hand soap, gloves and masks.
- Developed a Partnership with the Columbus Police Department - and collaborated with the Books & Badges community events over 100 attendees at events in June and July 2021
- Hosted 1st Dare to be Different Antibullying Fashion Show in June 2021 Erie, PA
- Hosted our 5th Annual Different Antibullying Fashion Show in August 2021 in Columbus, OH
- E.P.I.C Kids Summer./STEM program in Erie, PA 14 kids attended the camp The John F. Kennedy Center - low attendance due to COVID-19
- E.P.I.C Kids STEM literacy program Spring and Fall 2021 at the William H. Adams Community Center - 18 students attended the after-school program low attendance due to COVID-19
- Secure a micro-grant for website/marketing services to improve our website and new logo from 48in48
- Developed a Partnership with the City of Reynoldsburg to host community events
- Developed a Partnership with The Columbus Foundation to share our donation efforts on their “Giving Store” website.
- Continue to improve our EYOF website
- Continue to improve our “Giving Tuesday” We raised \$250
- Continue to improve awareness to the community, stakeholders about the work we do through our social media platforms and partnerships

- Keep our community connected during COVID-19 with website and social media updates, Zoom events/workshops, Virtual events