



Academic and Government Partnerships in Action: The Seattle University Youth Initiative

Governing for Racial Equity
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Seattle University is dedicated to educating the whole person, to professional formation, and to empowering leaders for a just and humane world.

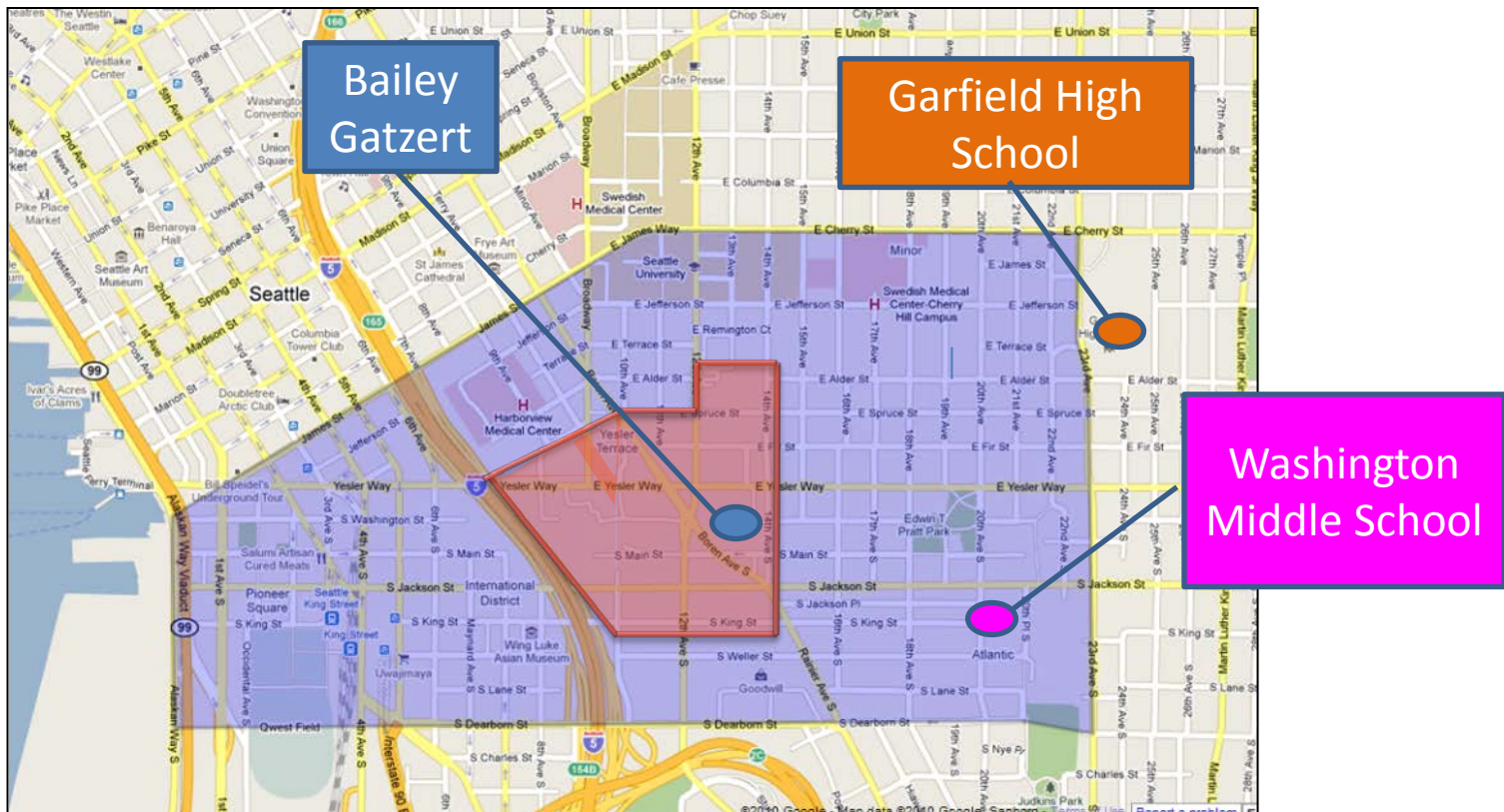




The Seattle University Youth Initiative unites Seattle University and the wider community to improve the academic achievement of low-income youth living in the Bailey Gatzert neighborhood while strengthening the education of Seattle University students and expanding professional development opportunities for faculty and staff.

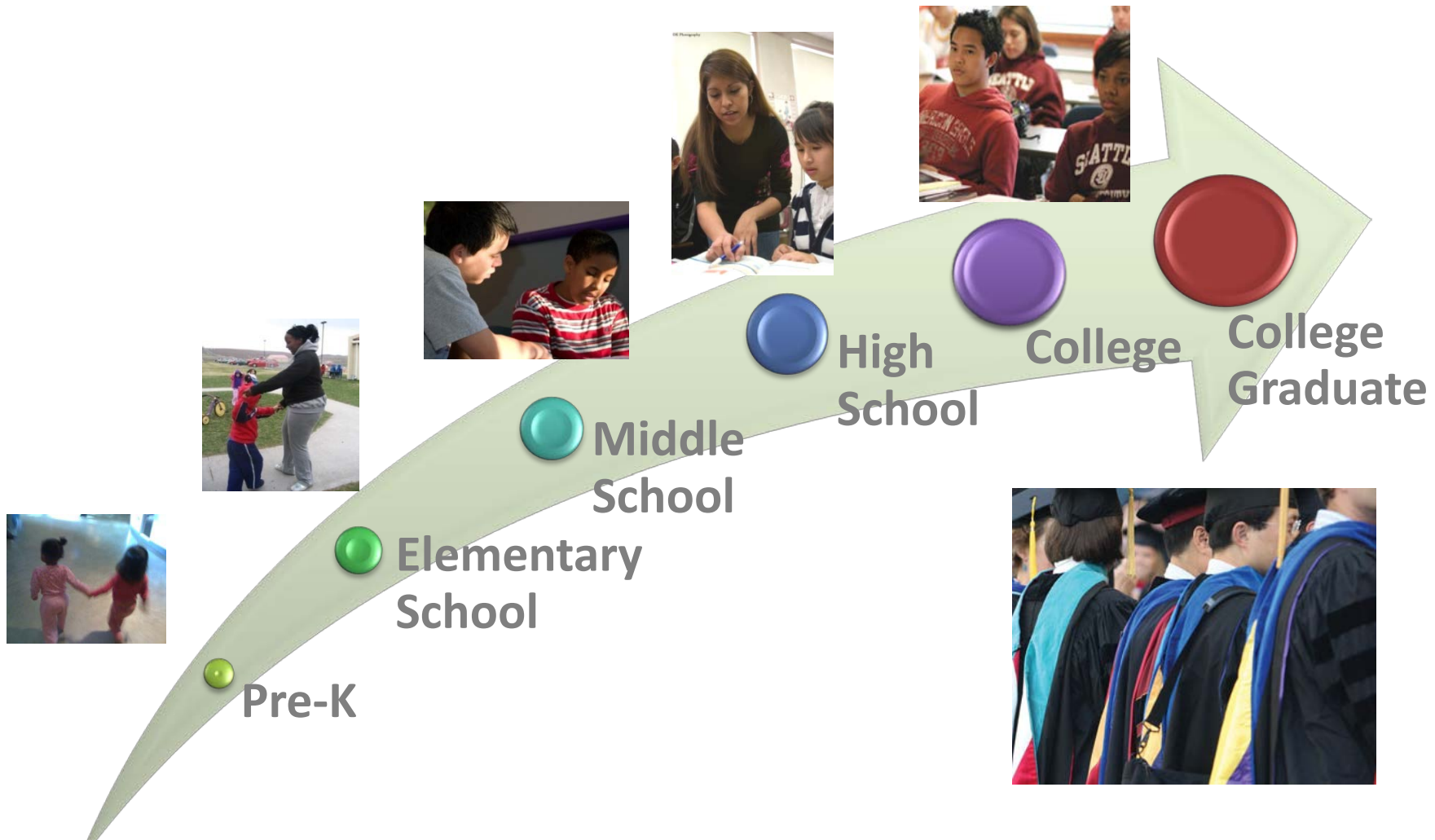
Scope

Create a seamless web of support for the children living in Yesler Terrace and the larger Seattle University Youth Initiative neighborhood.



Vision

Strong education from cradle to college and career



Core Partners

- Seattle University
- Seattle Housing Authority
- Seattle Public Schools
- City of Seattle
- Also:
 - Catholic Community Services
 - College Success Foundation
 - Neighborhood House
 - United Way of King County
 - YMCA
 - And over 40 other organizations

Strategy

1. Academic support at school, home and community sites.
2. Parent and Family Engagement
3. Support community-based organizations
4. Engage the University

[SUYI Video](#)

Emerging Opportunities

Connect education goals/partners to other areas such as health, employment, and safety.

