



Mid-Valley Prelude Sinfonia  
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Dear Friend,

Thanks to donors like you, Mid-Valley Prelude Sinfonia (MVPS) has been providing orchestra music instruction to school-age students for ten years. MVPS has grown from one class of eight students to a multi-school program teaching over 170 young people to play the violin, viola, cello and most recently, the upright bass.

MVPS now has beginner and intermediate classes in five elementary schools, and a Junior Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra for middle and high school musicians. Students perform two concerts during the school year, with an additional summer concert following summer classes. We play music for the community at events such as iCelebrate Kids, the Albany Christmas Parlour Tour, and the Boys & Girls Club's Celebration of Trees. We ensure tuition is affordable and accessible by offering scholarships to those families in need of financial assistance (this year, 42% of our 172 students are receiving scholarship assistance!), and expanding our inventory of low cost rental instruments. Our goal is to make orchestra instruction possible for all students in Albany.



As MVPS enters its second decade, our goal is to ensure the program is sustainable over the long term. For the last 10 years, we have counted on many dedicated volunteers to register students, raise funds, and administer the program, but as enrollment approaches 200 students, volunteer administration is no longer feasible. This year, MVPS's fall fund drive goal is to raise funds to hire a part-time Executive Director who can develop administrative and financial stability as the program continues to grow.

Your donation of any amount will help us foster the continuing gift of music for our community's children. As a 501(c)(3) registered non-profit, your donation is also tax deductible.

If you would like additional information, please visit our website at [AlbanyStrings.org](http://AlbanyStrings.org) or email us at [Nancy@AlbanyStrings.org](mailto:Nancy@AlbanyStrings.org). Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

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*Mid-Valley Prelude Sinfonia Board of Directors*