



The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, St. Louis Chapter (AAFA-STL) serves those affected by asthma and allergies of all types through education, support and resources.

Asthma is a chronic disease that affects your **LUNGS**



Asthma causes frequent periods of wheezing (a whistling sound when you breathe), chest tightness, shortness of breath, and coughing.

Effective asthma care is expensive



2 in 5 uninsured people with asthma can not afford their prescription medicines

Locally, **1 in 5** kids has asthma



St. Louis childhood asthma rates are more than **2x** the national average

\$400

average monthly cost for preventative asthma medication- without insurance

In St. Louis, asthma is the **#1** reason:



children visit the ER



kids miss school



kids are hospitalized



Bridging Resources to Encourage Asthma Treatment & Health

AAFA-STL's comprehensive asthma and allergy management program provides prescription assistance, asthma equipment, education, and support to eligible children.

2,243

Asthma and Allergy Prescriptions Filled

597

Allergic Durables & Encasings provided

461

Children Served

\$590

Average Cost per Child in the BREATH Program

\$95,100

Amount Spent on Children's Prescriptions



Resources for Every School Confronting Unexpected Emergencies

AAFA-STL's school nurse asthma equipment program that provides school nurses the vital tools necessary during asthma emergencies.

284

Schools Served

21,268

Asthma Diagnoses in RESCUE Schools

87%

of kids were Able to Return to the Classroom after using a piece of AAFA-STL equipment during an emergency

3,592

Incidents when AAFA-STL equipment was used on campus

\$333

Average Cost per RESCUE School

2,902

People reached through AAFA-STL's community outreach efforts

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Community Outreach & Education Events