



The Virgin Islands Children's Museum's Museum Inclusion Fund ensures that every child, regardless of financial circumstances, can experience the museum and its programs with their family or caregivers. In the US Virgin Islands, high poverty rates contribute to educational disparities, limiting access to quality education and opportunities for underserved communities. This hinders academic achievement and learning outcomes, highlighting the need to address these challenges for equitable educational success.

Access to interactive and engaging learning environments is essential in nurturing the intellectual curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills of children and families in the USVI. Through targeted fundraising efforts, we donate tickets annually to partner nonprofits, such as The Family Resource Center, Head Start, and Nana Baby Home, who utilize and distribute them to children in need. Early childhood literacy programs and outreach programs are offered at no cost to the underserved families they reach.



The Museum Inclusion Fund also provides scholarships for museum programs, offering children of various ages the opportunity to engage in memorable experiences with their peers. Furthermore, the museum actively participates in the Museums for All program, which offers reduced admission fees to visitors presenting an Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card or the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) card, ensuring that individuals facing financial barriers can access and enjoy the museum's exhibits and programs at a discounted rate, promoting inclusivity and accessibility for all.

Access to informal learning environments, exemplified by The Virgin Islands Children's Museum, is essential in not only bridging educational disparities but also in fostering a transformative educational experience that nurtures the intellectual curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills of children and families in the US Virgin Islands. By immersing individuals in hands-on educational activities and exploration, museums serve as dynamic platforms for experiential learning, sparking a lifelong love for discovery and knowledge acquisition through opportunities to Explore, Play, Discover.

Through your generous support, The Virgin Islands Children's Museum can provide essential resources, educational opportunities, and access to cultural enrichment for individuals and families facing economic challenges throughout the territory. The Museum Inclusion Fund has the potential to create lasting positive impacts by providing equitable access to educational resources, fostering a love for learning, and empowering underserved communities. This initiative can bridge educational gaps, promote holistic development, empower marginalized communities, and inspire a generation of lifelong learners, contributing to a brighter future for all.