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SHOWCASE

Cartwheel

Closing the Gap in Youth Mental Health Care



The youth mental health crisis is escalating nationwide, leaving families and schools struggling to find timely, affordable care. Anxiety, depression and school avoidance are on the rise. Though half of all mental health symptoms begin before age 14, most kids go untreated for more than a decade. This gap in care is one of the most urgent challenges in pediatric behavioral health.

By partnering with school districts, Cartwheel delivers telehealth mental health services that make care accessible where students already are.

Cartwheel is tackling this challenge by providing telehealth services to students and families by partnering with school districts to make mental health care more accessible and affordable. Cartwheel is eliminating barriers like long waitlists and insurance limitations to ensure that all students have access to care when and where they need it.

THE CHALLENGE

 Students face rising mental health needs and limited access to care

CARTWHEEL IMPACT

 **12K+** students supported

 **325+** school districts

 **16** states

Since its launch in 2022, Cartwheel has supported more than 12,000 students across 325+ school districts in 16 states. In the past year, Cartwheel introduced a School Avoidance Program to combat absenteeism linked to anxiety and depression, a widespread issue impacting academic success nationwide. They also achieved major milestones, including a successful Series B funding round and establishing statewide partnerships in Arizona and Georgia as well as with Boston Public Schools.

Recent backing from the Social Impact Funds is accelerating Cartwheel's growth by enabling expansion into rural and underserved communities and deepening impact in urban districts. This investment supports Cartwheel's vision of accessible, scalable mental health care for every student, in every community.

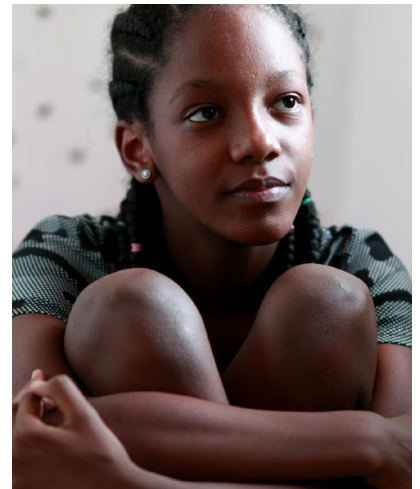
When schools, families and clinicians unite, solutions emerge and lives change. Cartwheel is proving that timely, coordinated care can transform not only mental health outcomes but also academic achievement and lifelong well-being, setting a new standard for collaboration to ensure every child thrives.

Explore the Breakthroughs Transforming Health and Opportunity for All.

Learn more about how the Social Impact Funds are catalyzing solutions that improve lives and communities.

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