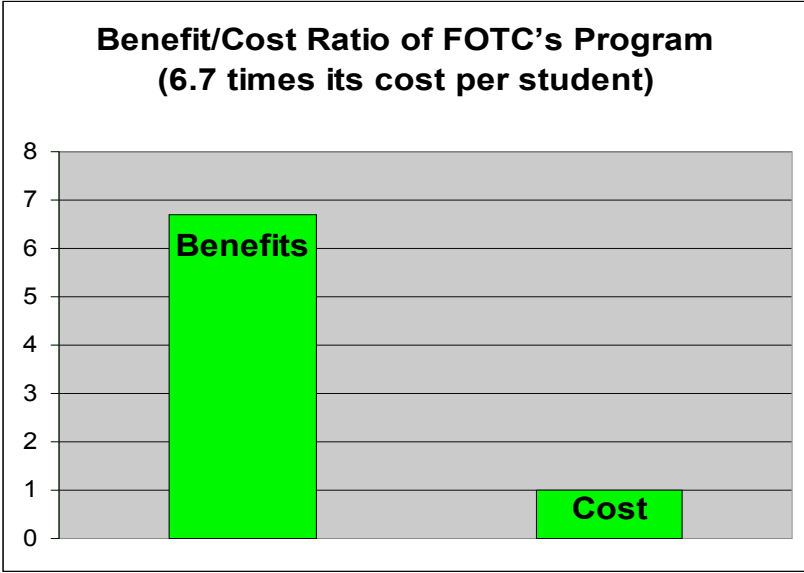




## *Friends of the Children* Return on Investment

*Friend's* return on investment model quantifies the benefits of our mentoring program and compares those benefits to program costs. The rigorous approach, developed with the Harvard Business School Association of Oregon, verifies the long-term value of *Friends*.

*Friends* benefits to children are calculated at 6.7 times program costs.\*



\*Comparison group: 18 year olds in Multnomah County, OR; economically disadvantaged, 70% black, 30% white

## By the Numbers

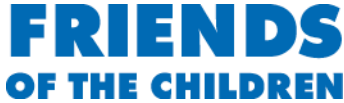
**90 Friends** serving **720 children** in **265 schools** in Boston, New York, Seattle and Klamath Falls, Sisters and Portland, OR

Attainment of HS diploma or GED: 28% higher for *Friends*

Avoidance of justice system: 21% higher for *Friends*

Avoidance of teen parenting: 62% higher for *Friends*

Program benefits accrue rapidly due to avoiding incarceration and parenting



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