This list represents scholarly research into the impacts of place-based scholarship or “Promise” programs.¹ The emphasis is on studies that use a methodology that can assign causation; other information about program outcomes may come from administrative data, descriptive studies, policy papers, institutional research units, or dashboards compiled by Promise programs or outside evaluators. Most of the research included here focuses on locally based Promise programs, but some general literature is included.


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¹ Note to researchers: If you have carried out or know of research that should be a part of this bibliography, please send bibliographic information to miller-adams@upjohn.org.

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