

CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS



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OUR MISSION

To support and enrich educational opportunities for students in partnership with the district and community.



Volunteers at the 2018 Gallagher Fun Run & Walk for Literacy at Anoka High School.

AHEF helps each student connect with their interests and abilities so they do their best in school.

POWER OF COMMUNITY STRENGTH OF PEOPLE

Your AHEF Board of Directors



Members of the Anoka-Hennepin Educational Foundation (AHEF) are parents, community members and students who donate their time to support and enrich educational opportunities for Anoka-Hennepin students.

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STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Your donor impact is greatest in three strategic areas:

ENRICHING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

– so that our youngest learners get off to the best start possible.

Grants that provide updated curricula, books and toys, and opportunities for new parents and their little ones to go on field trips to learn how to leverage community resources.



ADVANCING TALENT AND OPPORTUNITY DEVELOPMENT

– so every student has the chance to develop her or his talents, interests and abilities.

Grants that bring artists in residency to schools, provide enrichment experiences, afford participation in after school activities like sports, theater and robotics, and put innovative technologies in the hands of students.

EXPANDING CAREER AND COLLEGE READINESS

– so that our students are prepared for the next chapter in their educational and life story.

Grants that expose students to life skills like teambuilding, problem-solving and risk-taking to job application and interview skills to testing grants for Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams to earn college credit.



Your impact reaches all students across the academic achievement spectrum.

PROGRAMS

Donor impact is realized through the work of district teachers and staff who receive grants that align with AHEF's mission and strategic priorities.

GRANTS ARE AWARDED ANNUALLY

MINDFULNESS STRATEGIES GRANT

Teaching elementary students strategies to better manage their emotions and behavior in the classroom and in life

Benefiting students at several elementary schools, donors like you brought mindfulness lessons and strategies to fourth graders. Designed to increase student mental health, teachers and students were taught how to use self-awareness and breathing techniques to better control their reactions and increase student attentiveness. These strategies worked to such a degree that most participating teachers felt it allowed them to get more teaching minutes in the day. In addition to the positive impact inside the classroom, students quickly applied the strategies to difficult situations outside of the classroom. Fourth grader Allysa said she used mindfulness strategies at home, "When I felt like punching my brother because I was angry at him, I went to a different place and breathed and that made me feel better."

THE GOOGLE EXPEDITION GRANT

Expanding student access and exploration with virtual reality goggles

Because of donors like you, our students and teachers have access to the latest virtual reality technology. All teachers and nearly 700 students at University Avenue Elementary School for Aerospace and Children's Engineering traveled virtually to the International Space Station and explored the planets this year. Mrs. Mary Moraczewski, a third grade teacher described the impact of the technology on her classroom, "Google Expedition immerses my students in the experience. I now have lessons with 100% engagement! Whenever I announce we will be going on an expedition, students' faces light up and cheers are heard."





“Thank you for giving us awesome comics to read that inspire students like me to feel like we can do anything.”

Jonah, eighth grader

DEVELOPING LITERACY SUPERPOWERS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Donors like you are empowering readers with graphic novels. This year teachers began using comic books to engage and excite students. Comic books that reflect the diversity of our students and affirm students' abilities to finish a book have led students to feel connected and to believe in themselves. Because of your donations, students like eighth grader, Jonah, wants to keep reading.

Above picture: Matt Van Zee, ELA teacher at Roosevelt Middle School with students who appreciate graphic novels.

CAPTURING THE SKY GRANT

Capturing the Imagination by Capturing the Sky

Because of donors like you, students visiting the Jackson Middle School observatory are able to see *and share* outer space. Using brackets that connect student mobile phones with the telescope, students are able to take high quality photos and share their experience with family and



friends via social media. The net effect is a highly engaged student experience that spurs conversations and excitement around astronomy and the learning experience.



AHEF is the only foundation addressing the needs of all students regardless of age, location and socioeconomic status.

ONGOING INITIATIVES

In addition to annual grants, donor funds support ongoing initiatives that the district is otherwise unable to fund

THE CHANCE FUND

Giving all high school students a chance to swim, play and act.

Michael is sixteen and **thanks to donors like you** he is an accomplished three sport athlete in Cross Country, Nordic Skiing and Track. With four siblings, Michael's parents didn't have the means to pay for all of his activity fees. But because of **generous support from donors like you**, Michael has been able to participate and excel in after school activities. Michael's mom even attributes his success in school to the sports teams he is involved in. **Thank you** for giving Michael and students like him a chance to play and engage in after school activities.



AHEF HONORS DISTRICT ATHENA AWARD RECIPIENTS

AHEF donors have stepped in to ensure the Athena Award recipient from each of our five high schools is able to attend the Athena Awards Banquet held each Spring in Minneapolis. The Athena Award honors an outstanding senior female athlete from each



2017-18 Athena Award Recipients

high school. Donors like you provide the student, her family and a mentor of her choice from the school the opportunity to honor, recognize and celebrate her accomplishments.

AHEF Selected as the winner of the 2017 Excellence in Business Award for Non-profits by the Metro North Chamber of Commerce

AHEF was chosen as the non-profit of the year based on impact, organizational growth, and investment in our communities. AHEF is a member of the Metro North, the Ham Lake Area and the Anoka Area Chambers of Commerce. AHEF recognizes the value of strong partnerships with area business and community leaders, many of whom donate and volunteer their time and talent to our students and schools through AHEF.

DONOR IMPACT

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K-12 STEM FAIR GRANT

Supporting STEM education for all district students.

Every year more students participate in the district-wide K-12 Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Fair. This year, over 2,000 students presented their projects to volunteer judges. Hosting the state's largest STEM fair is possible in part because of generous support from donors like you.

DENNIS CARLSON SCHOLARSHIP

for Music and the Arts

The Dennis Carlson Scholarship for Music and the Arts was established to honor retired Anoka-Hennepin School District Superintendent, Mr. Dennis Carlson. This is a district-wide, endowed scholarship for students pursuing post-secondary education in music or the fine arts. The \$2,000 scholarship is made possible by donors to the Anoka-Hennepin Educational Foundation.

Photo on right: First year recipient Emily Gieger



AHEF Has Earned the Charities Review Council Seal of Approval

Did you know AHEF meets the Charities Review Council's Accountability Standards in transparency, governance, financial activity, and fundraising? By meeting these standards, AHEF demonstrates that responsibility, integrity and good stewardship are who we are. You can learn more at www.smartgivers.org.



ANOKA-HENNEPIN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION VALUES



Compassion

We keep students at the core of all we do.



Equity

We benefit all students in our district.



Integrity

We are honest and forthcoming in every interaction and we do what's right.



Impactful

We make a difference in student success.



Collaboration

We realize that our best work involves others.



Social Responsibility

We believe that better students make better communities, and that better communities make a better world.



Resourcefulness


We are thrifty and responsible stewards of our resources and resources of our funders.



Champlin Park High School students performing at the Northern Stars Celebration

Situated in the Northwest corner of the Twin Cities, the Anoka-Hennepin Educational Foundation serves the more than 37,000 students (pre-K through Adult Basic Education) and 5,000 staff in the Anoka-Hennepin School District. AHEF serves students in Hennepin and Anoka counties and communities that are urban, suburban, exurban and rural including Andover, Anoka, Blaine, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Coon Rapids, Dayton, Fridley, Ham Lake, Nowthen, Oak Grove, and Ramsey. Our students are increasingly diverse, with 29 percent students of color and 35 percent qualifying for Free or Reduced Lunch.

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ANOKA-HENNEPIN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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Income

Certificate Sales	\$ 38,600
Fundraising	\$ 126,925
Grants	\$ 5,500
Donations	\$ 110,222
Administration fees	\$ 4,021
Interest	\$ 64
Other income	\$ 300
Total Income	\$ 285,632
Cost of goods sold	\$ 37,485
Gross Profit	\$248,147

Expenses

Fundraising	\$ 30,297
Grants	\$ 88,851
General & Administrative	\$ 126,405
Depreciation	\$ 1,584
Total Expenses	\$ 247,137

Net Income **\$ 1,010**

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash	\$ 365,541
Accounts Receivable	\$ 10,397
Pledge Receivable	\$ 1,000
Inventory	\$ 4,488
Fixed Assets	\$ 1,047
Total Assets	\$382,473

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 79,872
Directed Accounts	\$ 109,267
Total Liabilities	\$ 189,139
Equity	
Temporarily restricted net assets	\$ 49,225
Unrestricted net assets	\$ 143,099
Net Income	\$ 1,010
Total Equity	\$ 193,334
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$382,473

UPCOMING EVENTS

Northern Stars Celebration
Saturday, February 9, 2019

Gallagher Memorial 5k Fun Run & Walk for Literacy
Saturday, April 27, 2019

60th Annual "Putt-ing" Kids First Best Ball Scramble Golf Tournament
Saturday, September 7, 2019



THANK YOU SPONSORS

Your charitable gifts directly address priority needs for Anoka-Hennepin students and staff



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Navigating Your Financial Future

- Advanced Planning Technology
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- Wells Fargo Private Bank

THANK YOU DONORS

AHEF donors fill the gap between where public funds end and student and classroom needs continue.

AHEF INSPIRES



25 PERCENT OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS ARE STUDENTS

64 COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE PARTNERS

2,200 VOLUNTEER HOURS WORKED IN 2017-18

9,167 GALLAGHER MEMORIAL 5K FUN RUN AND WALK FOR LITERACY RUNNERS AND WALKERS SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE 5K IN 2003



50 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GIVEN THE CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES **91** MIDDLE SCHOOL

857 DISTRICT TEACHERS AND STAFF DONATE TO AHEF



58 "PUTTING" KIDS FIRST GOLF TOURNAMENT 58 CONSECUTIVE YEARS (PREVIOUSLY CALLED THE "BOOKMEN'S CLUB TOURNAMENT")

3,000 DICTIONARIES GIVEN TO STUDENTS ANNUALLY



2,000



STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE K-12 STEM FAIR



DISTRICT STAFF HONORED

13 ABOVE & BEYOND AWARD RECIPIENTS THIS YEAR

360 HONORED OVER THE PAST 20 YEARS (ABOVE AND BEYOND AND TOPS AWARDS)