



DALLAS CENTER-GRIMES  
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

2024

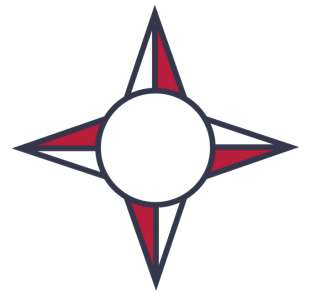
# ANNUAL REPORT



*The DCG Education Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization committed to supporting DCG students in their pursuit of higher education through financial scholarships generated in partnership with community philanthropic and fundraising initiatives.*

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Each year, I am humbled by the generosity, commitment, and heart of the Dallas Center and Grimes communities in supporting our mission and the futures of our next generation of community leaders. I am reminded of how powerfully this combination can shape the future — one student at a time.

The DCGEF believes in students. We believe in their dreams and their potential. Our belief is what fuels everything we do. We don't simply invest in students, we invest in the future of our communities, our workforce and our world.

In 2024, thanks to the incredible support of our donors, sponsors, and volunteers, we awarded 128 scholarships, totaling more than \$208,000 — our largest total yet! These dollars don't just help cover tuition, books or other materials, they open doors. They ease burdens. They remind students that their DCG community is cheering them on in their endeavors.

As a foundation, we continue to focus on growing our renewable RED Scholarship program, creating sustainable funding models and engaging new supporters. Every dollar we raise and every hour our volunteers spend is strengthening our mission and extending our reach.

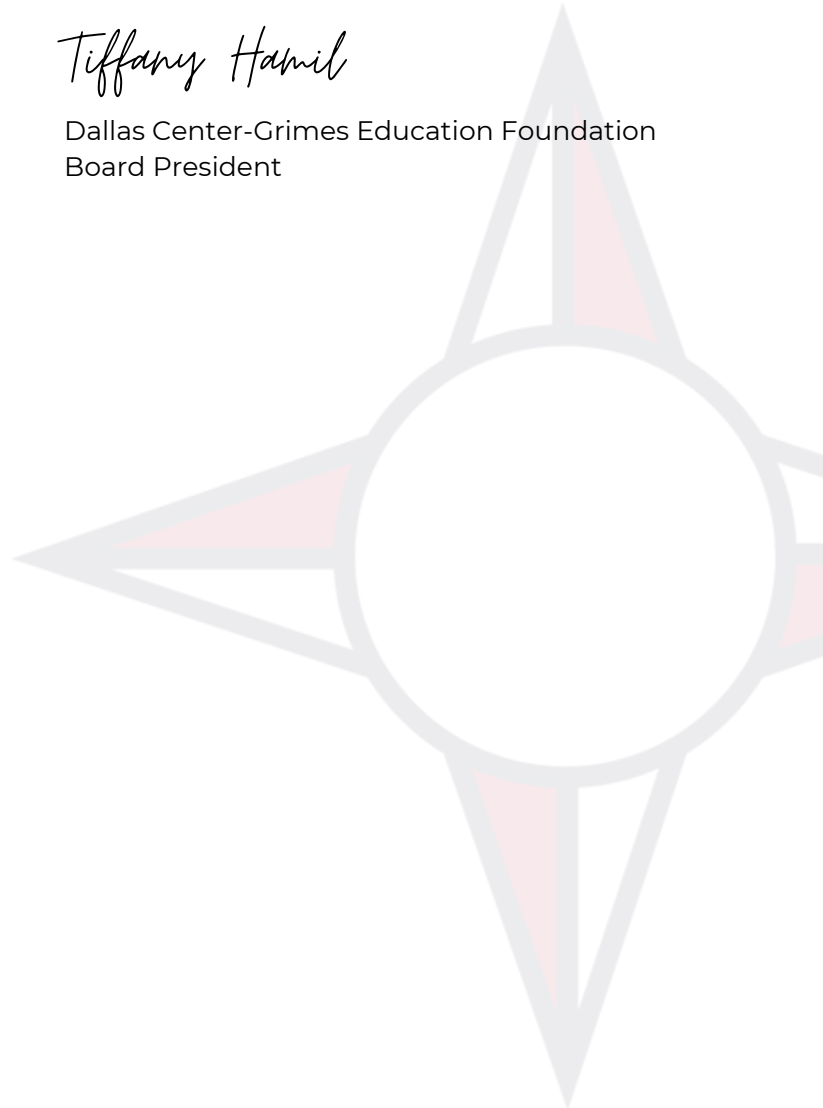
To those that have contributed in any way — THANK YOU! From donations to event attendance, committee service to doing your part to spread our mission, your impact is real and lasting.

To the students — we see you, we believe in you and we are so proud of you. As a community, let's continue this journey to support our students and their futures to build something extraordinary.

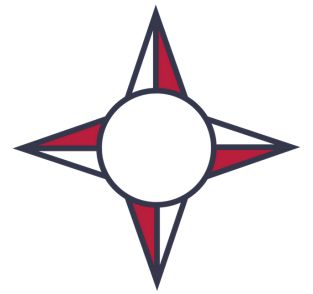
With gratitude and pride,

*Tiffany Hamil*

Dallas Center-Grimes Education Foundation  
Board President



# SCHOLARSHIPS



At the Dallas Center-Grimes Education Foundation, we believe every student deserves the opportunity to pursue their dreams—whether that means attending a university, community college, or trade school. Through a strategic, community-driven approach, we fund scholarships that ease the financial burden for DCG graduates.

Our scholarship program is powered by local businesses, dedicated sponsors, and passionate community members who come

together to make higher education accessible. Our balanced funding approach includes:

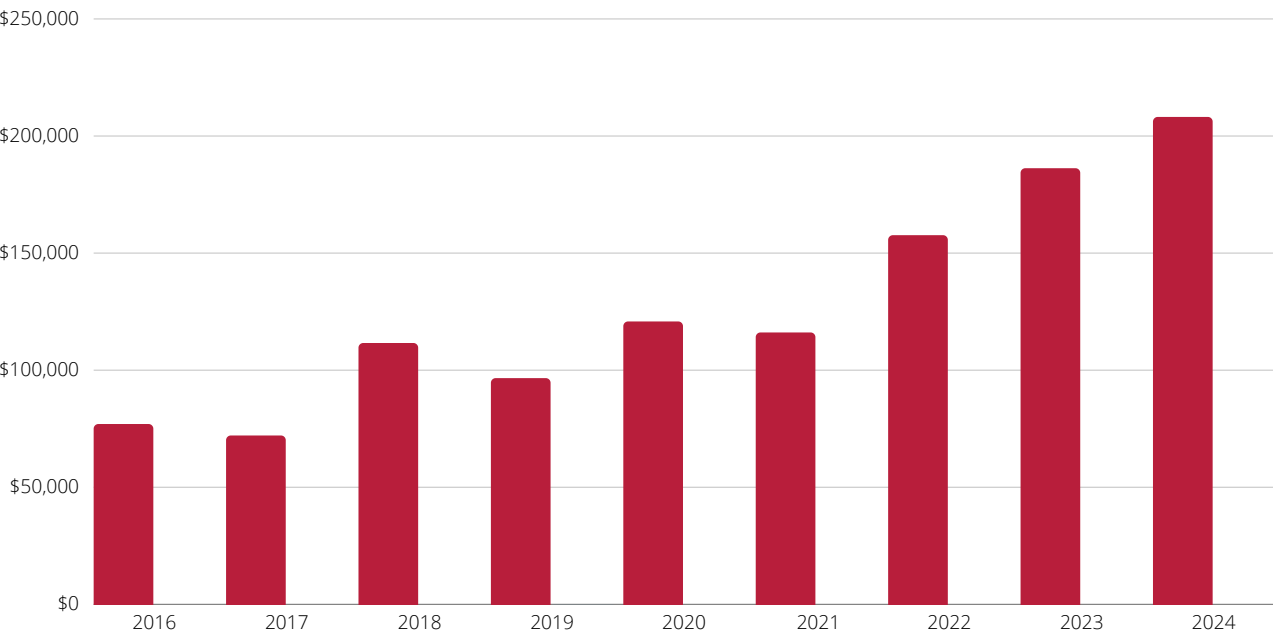
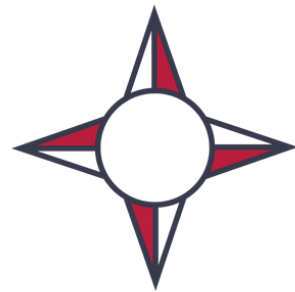
- Business & Organization Sponsored Scholarships
- Foundation-Managed Scholarships
- Community & Fundraising events

Learn more about our strategic approach that allows us to grow the number and value of scholarships awarded each year on our website:

[www.dcgeducationfoundation.org/scholarship-strategy](http://www.dcgeducationfoundation.org/scholarship-strategy)

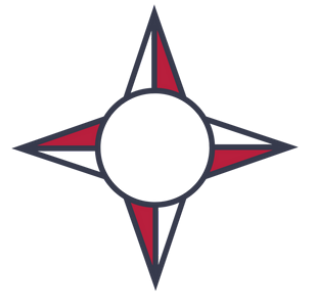


# SCHOLARSHIP HISTORY



Year	Dollars	Scholarships	Donors
2016	\$77,000	59	17
2017	\$72,100	70	24
2018	\$111,600	109	37
2019	\$96,600	99	41
2020	\$120,800	100	48
2021	\$116,100	120	45
2022	\$157,650	125	51
2023	\$186,250	124	47
2024	\$208,150	128	47

# TESTIMONIALS



**ALEX PRIES**  
DCG CLASS OF 2024

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#### TESTIMONIAL

I am very grateful to the DCG Education Foundation for supporting both me and my classmates after high school. Their scholarships have greatly helped me pursue further education, and I truly appreciate it.



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**WILL HARRIS**  
DCG CLASS OF 2024

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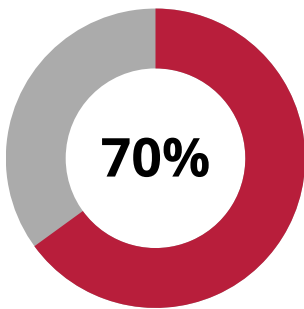
#### TESTIMONIAL

Thank you from the bottom of my heart to the DCG Education Foundation for awarding me the Grimes Chamber & Economic Development Scholarship. This gift will allow me to pursue my dream of attending the University of Iowa. I hope to make my community proud.



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## DID YOU KNOW?



By 2027, it's projected that 70% of U.S. jobs will require education or training beyond high school.

-Unlocking Career Success, U.S. Departments of Education, Labor and Commerce, 2023

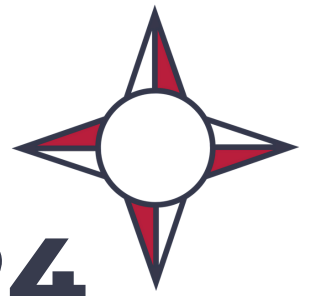


The average debt of 2023 college graduates is \$29,300

-SoFi, 2025

Studies continue to show the #1 reason college students leave school is financially based. While the cost for college education continues to rise, the scholarships provided by DCGEF and our communities can work to address these rising costs and allow more of our local students to pursue their post-secondary learning journeys.

# SCHOLARSHIP PARTNERS IN 2024

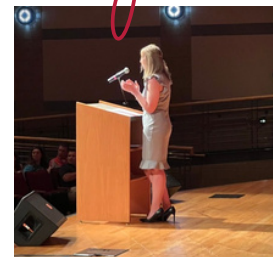


Thank you to these important sponsors and partners to the Dallas Center-Grimes Educational Foundation. Without their generous contributions we would not be able to provide the support and positive impact to so many individuals.

15 Hands Real Estate  
Aaron Plaskes, Inspire DSM Financial  
Andrea Sabus State Farm Agency  
Anne and Aaron Enderlin  
Beta Sigma Phi  
Bill Ellerman Family  
Brian J. Soukup Memorial  
Buck Bauman Memorial  
Burnett Memorial  
Celebrating Unsung Heroes: Ann Rolow  
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City State Bank  
CleanWorks Autowash  
Dallas Center Rotary  
Dallas Center-Grimes Education Association  
Dallas Center-Grimes Self Storage  
Dave Crawford Real Estate  
DCG Baseball Club  
DCG Education Foundation  
DCG Education Foundation - RED  
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Glen Brewer Memorial  
Grimes Chamber & Economic Development  
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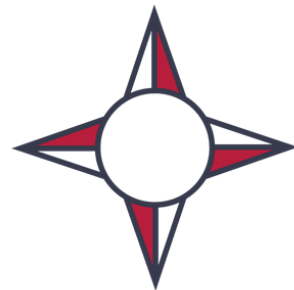
Kids Station  
Kramer Wealth Advisory  
Luke Sigler Memorial  
Mann Orthodontics  
North Ridge School Age Child Care  
Pink Couch Wellness  
Premier Insurance Group  
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Ron and Jodean Rosenberg Memorial  
Scott & Diane Kruse  
Seidl Services  
Shade Tree Auto - Adam Dreezen Memorial  
Shaffer's Auto Body  
Shindler, Anderson, Goplerud & Weese, P.C.  
Steve Keller Memorial  
The Overcomer Award - Kacy Webster  
VisionBank

*Thank you!*





# EVENTS



Annually, the DCG Education Foundation hosts RED (Raising Education Dollars) events designed to provide the local community opportunities to support the foundation's mission.



## RED DINNER AND AUCTION

The annual formal dinner and auction is designed to engage the community by providing an opportunity to socialize, enjoy great food, bid on unique and compelling auction items, and have an entertaining and enjoyable evening experience.

In 2024, through the amazing support of the Dallas Center and Grimes communities, the annual RED Dinner & Auction, raised \$79,000 toward DCG scholarships!

This event is scheduled directly ahead of the holidays and provides a great opportunity to socialize with friends, work on your holiday shopping list, and invest in the future of the students of the DC-G School district.

A special thank you goes to our sponsors and partners supporting our annual fundraising effort.

## RED DINNER AND AUCTION SPONSORS

<https://www.dcgeducationfoundation.org/2024-red-event-recap>

## OTHER EVENTS

- Grimes Governors Days Parade
- Dallas Center Fall Festival Parade



## HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

- Attend the dinner and auction — bring a group of friends
- Donate an item from your business or personally
- Volunteer
- Make a direct donation
- Email:

[dcgeducationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:dcgeducationfoundation@gmail.com)

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY



Public Support & Revenue	2023	2024
Scholarship Contributions	128,059	165,940
Fundraising Income	74,926	61,139
Grants	5,000	5,000
Investment Income/Loss	33,685	55,397
Total	241,670	287,476

Program Services & Expenses	2023	2024
Scholarships	186,250	208,150
Management & General Expense	6,794	8,564
Fundraising Expense	14,315	17,300
Total	207,359	234,014



# THANK YOU



Would you like to learn more about how you can make an investment that pays the BEST interest?

## TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS ACCEPTED BY MAIL OR ONLINE

PO Box 945  
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### 2024 BOARD OFFICERS

Tiffany Hamil, President  
Mary Tjeerdsma, Vice President  
Ryan Caddell, Treasurer  
Tyler Eason, Secretary

### 2024 BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

Becky Bonefas  
Ben Chiochon  
Rebecca Falk  
Jason Kerndt  
Jeanine Cloyd-Voelker  
Chris Watkins  
Gary Wilgenbusch  
Dr. Scott Blum, DC-G Superintendent -  
(School Representative)

### 2024 COMMITTEE LEADS

#### Finance

Chris Watkins  
Ryan Caddell

#### Marketing

Tiffany Hamil

#### Scholarships & Grants

Jeanine Cloyd-Voelker

#### Events & Fundraising

Becky Bonefas

Along with these valuable committee leaders and board members, we have numerous community members that volunteer their time and talents - contributing to the success of all communications, events and activities.

We would not be able to fulfill our mission without these volunteers from our community. Please consider sharing your time and talents with DCGEF. Email: [dcgeducationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:dcgeducationfoundation@gmail.com).

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