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**DALLAS CENTER-GRIMES EDUCATION FOUNDATION RAISES \$82,000
FOR DCG STUDENTS AND POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS**

Record-Setting Amount Raised During Annual RED Dinner & Auction Event

GRIMES, IOWA (November 27, 2023) - More than 200 members of the Dallas Center and Grimes communities attended the Dallas Center-Grimes Education Foundation's (DCGEF) 6th annual RED Dinner and Auction held on November 11 at Three Sisters Barn in Dallas Center. The RED event, which is an abbreviation for "Raising Education Dollars", raised more than \$82,000, a record-setting amount for their scholarship programs.

During the RED Dinner and Auction, attendees were treated to a delicious meal, live auction, silent auction, program, and entertainment. In-person attendees could bid on live auction items, while the silent auction was held online for the fourth year, and open to any community members without a ticket who wanted to participate.

"We are extremely grateful to our local community for their support of DCG students," said Tiffany Hamil, DCGEF board president. "From donors and sponsors to attendees and our amazing volunteers, DCGEF is making an impact. DCG students are the future difference makers, drivers of innovation, social change-makers, and economic impactors, and we want to give them all the best support possible to be successful."

DCGEF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, volunteer-run, and operated separately from the Dallas Center-Grimes school district. Its mission is to support DCG students in

their pursuit of higher education through financial scholarships generated in partnership with community philanthropic and fundraising initiatives.

During the program, former DCG student Tristan Bocook presented his experiences at Simpson College where he is a senior studying computer science, and expressed his gratitude to the audience for their generosity in supporting the dreams of students like him.

“I was a hard-working kid, working to save money for school,” said Tristan. “When I received news that I had been awarded the RED scholarship, it was one of the best moments of my life. It made my financial worry a little less. I am so grateful to the DCG community for their support.”

Last year, DCGEF awarded 124 scholarships totaling \$181,250 to the DCG class of 2023. These scholarships were a combination of DCGEF-fundraised and investment dollars and locally sponsored scholarships. Scholarships are awarded each May to the DCG graduating class.

Visit www.dcgeducationfoundation.org to view a list of RED event sponsors.

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About Dallas Center-Grimes Education Foundation

Dallas Center-Grimes Education Foundation (DCGEF), a 501(c)3 non-profit, works with local organizations, businesses, and community members to fundraise for and manage scholarship programs for students in the DCG school district planning to attend a trade school, college or university following high school. Since 2014, DCGEF has awarded more than \$810,000 in scholarships to DCG students and alumni. Learn more about DCGEF at www.dcgeducationfoundation.org.