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ABOUT US

The El Paso Independent School District Education Foundation is a non-profit organization whose main purpose is providing grants for teachers to do innovative, active learning projects in their classroom and scholarships to graduating high school seniors in EPISD. The Foundation also is focused on providing grants for teachers and campuses in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Fine Arts and Athletics. Since its inception in 1994, our organization has provided more than **\$1.7 million** for these programs thanks to the commitment and investment of dedicated employees and community partners.

MISSION

The mission of the El Paso ISD Education Foundation, in collaboration and alignment with the El Paso Independent School District's goals, is to provide opportunities for excellence in education, promote innovation in teaching, and partner with the community to enhance the quality of education for all students.

Dear EPISD Education Foundation friends:

In the 2015-16 school year, the EPISD Education Foundation proudly gave **\$115,000** back to the students and teachers in the El Paso Independent School District. These grants and scholarships were made possible thanks to the generosity of our more than **260** employee donors and community partners.

The **\$115,000** included **\$28,000** in grants to fund innovative projects that enhance EPISD's active learning initiatives. We also awarded **\$75,000** in scholarships to support the district's college readiness initiative by helping make higher education more accessible for our graduating seniors.

We were grateful to the Hospitals of Providence and Sally Hurt-Deitch for being our Honorary Chair for



our Community Campaign for Excellence. Sally is the Market CEO of the Hospital of Providence and a proud Burges High School graduate.

The Hospital of Providence's **\$25,000** contribution kicked off our corporate giving campaign to fund scholarships and grants. The Foundation also granted funds for projects in fine arts, athletics and Science Technology Engineering and Math.

Another notable contribution was \$10,000 from Texas Gas Services. The grant funded a STEM project for Irvin High School's Rocket New Tech students to use two 3-D printers for real-world applications.

The contributions from our community along with proceeds from our first EPISD 2020 Luncheon allowed us to provide more scholarships and grants back to EPISD than we had in recent history.

We are thankful for your contributions and support of the EPISD Education Foundation. Know that your contribution goes directly back to the classroom and truly impacts our students and teachers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell J. Wiggs". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Russell Wiggs
Board President

BENEFIT LUNCHEON

Superintendent Juan Cabrera presented the guiding principles educators in EPISD will use in the next five years to help students reach their academic and life goals during a special presentation to civic and business leaders in March.

“EPISD 2020: Creating Global Learners,” which benefitted the EPISD Education Foundation, gave Cabrera an opportunity to address more than 300 community leaders and share his vision for the future of EPISD.

“Much of our future work requires us to think outside the box and take

risks,” he said. “In the long run, we know this will result in innovative teaching and learning that will better prepare our students for life after high school.”

EPISD 2020 focuses on three general areas:

- Broader Aims
- Engaging, Challenging and Active Learning
- Future Focus

Broader Aims means the District will no longer only focus in providing instruction to students. Rather, EPISD will move toward offering programs

that provide career readiness, character building and social and emotional learning opportunities.

Instruction in EPISD will no longer be in the form of passive, sit-and-get lectures. Teachers will be trained to create lessons that challenge and engage students, and also offer them the opportunity to learn an active, hands-on manner

The event raised more than **\$35,000** for the EPISD Education Foundation.

ONE GAS

The One Gas Foundation contributed **\$10,000** to the EPISD Education Foundation to provide two 3-D printers for the Irvin High School Rocket New Tech program. New Tech schools create a rigorous and engaging high school experience that features Project-Based Learning (PBL), a seamless use of technology, and a positive and empowering school culture. The 3D printers allow students a deeper learning opportunity for real world project-based learning.



SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS

EPISD Education Foundation awards \$76,000 in scholarships to the Class of 2016

The EPISD Education Foundation this spring awarded the **Class of 2016** with **77** scholarships totaling **\$76,000**. The awards also include scholarships sponsored by the Irvin High School Alumni Association and Renaissance Learning. All scholarships are **\$1,000** with the exception of two **\$500** scholarships from Renaissance Learning. The company sponsored **\$5,000** in scholarships for students at Bowie and Jefferson high schools. Board members visited campuses and senior assemblies to surprise recipients with their scholarship award.

“We are pleased to be able to provide more than **\$76,000** in scholarships to our graduating seniors,” said Foundation Board President Russell Wiggs. “We appreciate the support of the EPISD community, which has made it possible to give our seniors more opportunities to continue their education beyond high school.”

Scholarships provided through the EPISD Education Foundation are made possible through the generous support of corporate donors through the Community Campaign for Excellence, the EPISD Employee Giving Campaign and the participants of foundation events. The Hospitals of Providence, the Community Campaign Honorary Chair for the 2015-16 school year, kicked off the campaign with a **\$25,000** contribution.

The following students received Foundation scholarships:

Andress High School

Bryn Birdwell
Audrey Bell
Meagan Smith
Alexis Pacheco

El Paso High School

Diana Lara

CCTA

Angela Ornelas

Austin High School

Suhey Avena
Amado Quiñonez
Karina Diaz
Jaime Andrade
Jennifer Santoyo
Jordan Jones

Burges High School

Luisa Herrera
Matthew Salazar
Jonathan Castro
Jordan Steyer

Bowie High School

Cynthia Gomez
Stephanie Hernandez
Marco Martinez
Graciela Lopez-Villa
Rosa Ramirez
Karen Hernandez

Coronado High School

Sheel Patel
Jung Woo Lee
Haley DuPlessis
Vanessa Chapman

77 SCHOLARSHIPS

Franklin High School

Ayla Lopez
Christian Munoz
Lauren Blumenfeld
Amerika Jayme
Sebastian Archard

Irvin High School

Erick Dominguez
Daniel Bueno Jr.
Idaly Sifuentes
Isaiah Navarette
Azsa Marilyn Ruiz

Jefferson High School

Juan Hernandez
April Palomino
Erin Portillo
Luis Arnal Ortiz
Mario Porras
Jacqueline Salas
Marlen Negrete

Chapin High School

Andrew Batts
Diego Contreras

Transmountain EC HS

Vanessa Rico
Jaqueline Burnett

Silva Health Magnet HS

Aiyana Ponce
Patsy Chaparro
Brenda Ramirez
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HOSPITALS *of* PROVIDENCE

The Hospitals of Providence announced its commitment of **\$25,000** to the EPISD Education Foundation on Tuesday and served as 2015-16 Honorary chair for the Campaign for Excellence. The **\$25,000** contribution supports the mission of the Education Foundation to provide scholarships to deserving high school seniors and Classroom Impact Grants to enhance the education for all students.

“There is nothing more important in our region than the health and education of our children,” said Sally Hurt-Deitch, Market CEO of The Hospitals of Providence. “We are proud to be the 2016 Presenting Sponsor for the EPISD Foundation and know that our commitment will directly affect and enhance the quality of education for our students.”

Board President Russell Wiggs thanked the Hospitals of Providence for their contribution and commitment to education.

“We are grateful for the Hospital of Providence’s corporate gift and the opportunities it means for our students, Their support of the EPISD Education Foundation shows their strong commitment to education and the future of our students.”

— Russell Wiggs

EPISD Education Foundation President





The Hospitals of
ROVIDENCE

Feb. 23, 2016

EPISD Education Foundation

\$25,000

Twenty-Five Thousand

Dollars

ships & Classroom grants

Sally Hurt-Deitch

Market CEO

CLASSROOM IMPACT GRANTS

Grant Title

Growing a sense of Wonder with Multi-Intelligences and Strengthening Reading/Language

Improving Writing Through Digital Storytelling

STEM in the Classroom

A Strong Foundation!

Active learning in a dual learning classroom

Engagement is Key!

Engagement Through Tech

Enhancing Career & Tech Education

Yo Quiero Leer: I Want to Read

They Say, I Say: Joining the Global Conversation

Lego Robotics

Hart Soccer and Reading Club- We Are Authors!

Literary Internet Cafe

Physical Fitness Improvement

Wonder Workshop

The Impact on the Fitness Level of 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade P.E. Students using an Intramural Sports Format

Improving Literacy Skills with Robotics

STEM: Building Bridges

Inquiring Minds

From Science to STEM

Access to Active Learning

Exploring Makespace

Embodied Cognition: Movement of the Body While Influencing the Mind

Computer Engineers in the Making!

Coding With Ozobots

Managing My Money Room

Creating Transformative Agents

We-Do Robotics

DNA Fingerprinting

Stanton Stallion Robotics

Science and Math Hands On Explorations Through Literature and Tools

Active Learning Area

| Campus | Recipient | Amount |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Bonham Elementary School | Cathlene Chapman | \$934.22 |
| Burnet Elementary School | Naomi P. Delgado | \$676.06 |
| Charles Middle School | Benford, Kimberly | \$990.77 |
| Coldwell Elementary School | Michele Aduino | \$903.96 |
| Collins Elementary School | Gabina Valadez | \$994.75 |
| | Denise Ortega | \$939.00 |
| | Brenda Southern | \$905.96 |
| Coronado High School | Renee Aguirre | \$997.61 |
| | Jennifer Wilhite | \$328.25 |
| | Jennifer Wilhite | \$750.00 |
| Fannin Elementary School | Jenni Pilant-Rey | \$894.89 |
| Hart Elementary School | Simon Chandler | \$720.00 |
| Henderson Middle School | Luis Castaneda | \$915.85 |
| Irvin High School | James Sumpter Jr. | \$906.46 |
| Kohlberg Elementary School | Hazel Lundeen | \$998.00 |
| | Stephen Bonscher | \$999.81 |
| Lee Elementary School | Emma Balansay | \$960.00 |
| Logan Elementary School | Sarah Matthews | \$685.39 |
| Mesita Early Child Development Center | Jeannine Jaramillo | \$874.85 |
| | Heather N. Lewis | \$994.94 |
| | Lourdes Minton | \$1000 |
| Moye Elementary School | Juli Porflit | \$976.14 |
| Nixon Elementary School | Christine Miles | \$852.00 |
| Polk Elementary School | Gloria Zafiro-Salazar | \$1000 |
| | Elaine Myers | \$1000 |
| Roberts Elementary School | Kathleen Garcia | \$551.36 |
| Ross Middle School | Analiese Barnes | \$338.37 |
| Rusk Elementary School | Alma Sanchez | \$994.82 |
| Silva Health Magnet | Guadalupe Tapia | \$1000 |
| Stanton Elementary School | Felicia Wilkinson | \$867.80 |
| Travis Elementary School | Elizabeth, Prestwood | \$1000 |
| Western Hills Elementary School | Lisa Schoenbrun | \$999.20 |

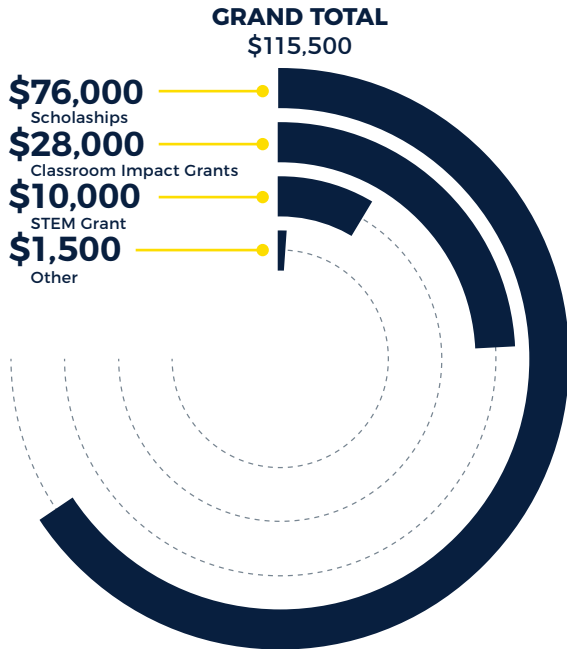
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FINANCIALS

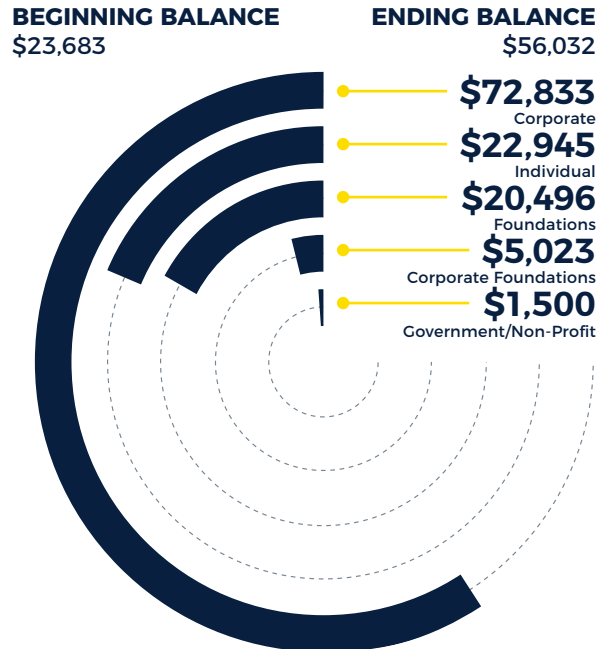
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AND GRANTS



GRANTS / SCHOLARSHIPS



REVENUE



GRANTS

The EPISD Education Foundation made visits to **24** campuses in the fall of 2016 to surprise **31** teachers with **\$28,000** in Classroom Impact Grants.

The grants combined with the **\$77,000** in scholarships awarded to the Class of 2016 in the spring and a special **\$10,000** STEM grant for Irvin High School means **\$115,000** in contributions that the Foundation has given back to the District this year.

“We are pleased to be able to provide EPISD with **\$115,000** in funding to promote innovation in teaching and enhance the overall quality of education for EPISD students,” Foundation President Russell Wiggs said. “It’s a joy to see the surprised looks on teachers and students’ faces when we announce their names for grants and scholarships. We know the funding makes a difference to them.”

Polk Elementary School on Tuesday, where **\$2,000** was received for Gloria Zafiro-Salazar and Elaine Myers. Like all grants awarded this year, Myers’ grant embraces active learning. The campus’ Active Learning Leader will be purchasing Ozobots to assist with teaching Science Technology Engineering and Math.

“Ozobots use a language of color coding and it makes it very inviting for children in elementary schools,” Myers said. “They will use critical thinking and problem solving skills through Active Learning. We would like our students to be one step ahead with new careers that are being created every year in this field.” Coronado High School also received a Wilhite grant.

The Foundation scheduled visits throughout September and early October to award the grants and give teachers an opportunity to talk about what the funding will be used for in their classroom in front of their peers.

“Employees are becoming more aware of the Foundation and what we do to benefit teachers and students in EPISD,” Wiggs said. “We are grateful for the contributions made by EPISD employees.”

EPISD Education Foundation in the spring awarded **\$77,000** to graduating seniors, which included two scholarships provided by the Irvin High School Alumni Association and six scholarships provided by Renaissance Learning. Texas Gas Services also provided a **\$10,000** grant to purchase a 3D printer for Irvin High School’s Rocket Tech.

Grant proposals will be accepted online beginning in April 2017. A notice will be sent to all EPISD teachers to inform them of the grant process.

“Any teacher with a new idea should try for a grant. It really didn’t take that much time once I had the idea, a little research in the area I wanted to target was a huge help in writing the grant.”

—Myers





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| Wet-N-Wild | \$11,500 |
| Hunt Family Foundation | \$10,000 |
| One Gas Foundation Inc. | \$10,000 |
| Prologic Technology Systems, Inc. | \$5,000 |
| Renaissance Learning | \$5,000 |
| TCG Group Holdings | \$5,000 |
| Wells Fargo Foundation | \$5,000 |
| EPISD Education Foundation | \$4,118 |
| Wet N Wild Waterworld* | \$3,500 |
| ADP, llc | \$2,500 |
| L & F Distributors LLC | \$2,500 |
| Teachers Federal Credit Union | \$2,500 |
| Chevron Federal Credit Union | \$1,750 |
| Blanco Ordonez Mata & Wallace , P.C. | \$1,000 |
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