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# 10 YEARS

*of* MAKING COLLEGE

# POSSIBLE

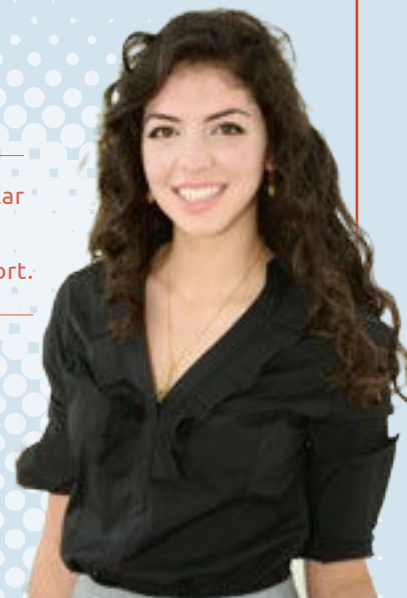


Denver Scholarship Foundation  
Community Report 2015-16

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## OUR MISSION

The Denver Scholarship Foundation inspires and empowers Denver Public Schools' students to enroll in and graduate from postsecondary institutions of higher education, by providing the tools, knowledge, and financial resources essential for success.

## OUR CORE VALUES

Equity

Innovation

Integrity

Leadership

Learning

Relationships

## Dear Friends,

Thank you for your continued support of Denver Scholarship Foundation! Our Scholars, Alumni, Board of Directors and staff are incredibly grateful for your dedication to our mission and programming.

Denver Scholarship Foundation was launched in 2006 with a simple yet vital directive to make higher education possible for students whose circumstances would otherwise hold them back. Our multi-faceted programming harnesses the promise of our scholarship as an incentive for students to challenge themselves to reach for goals beyond high school. Major gains in high school graduation and college enrollment rates validate that we are moving in the right direction.

We've changed the expectations for students in Denver. No matter what their background or financial situation, students and their families now understand that college is possible. Fueled by the achievements of our amazing graduates, we're more committed than ever to make college possible for all of Denver's students.

Denver Scholarship is making a strategic investment in the future economic vitality of our community. Every scholarship dollar is leveraged and positioned to influence additional support from our community partners. With a comprehensive continuum of support from Denver Scholarship our Scholars are persisting towards their college degrees, graduating, and entering the workforce as employable, proactive and self-sustaining citizens. Our Scholars work hard and love to give back to their community as volunteers and donors.

## *Our Scholars are our promise to Denver.*

We know this promise wouldn't be possible without your support. Your dedication is the action that collectively moves us closer to our mission of providing the tools, knowledge, and financial resources essential for success. We invite you to learn more about our Scholars and programs featured in this community report which overviews the 2015/16 fiscal year.

On behalf of Denver Scholarship Foundation, our Scholars and our Alumni, thank you for making our work possible! We are 10 years strong, with many more to come!

**Nathaniel Easley, Ph.D.**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Cathey M. Finlon**  
Chair, Board of Directors



Studies show that education is the backbone to a strong economy, lower poverty rates, and lower crime rates.



Denver is one of the nation's most thriving cities with a growing economy and diverse culture.



Denver Public Schools is the fastest growing urban school district in the country and it's imperative students are graduating prepared for life after high school.

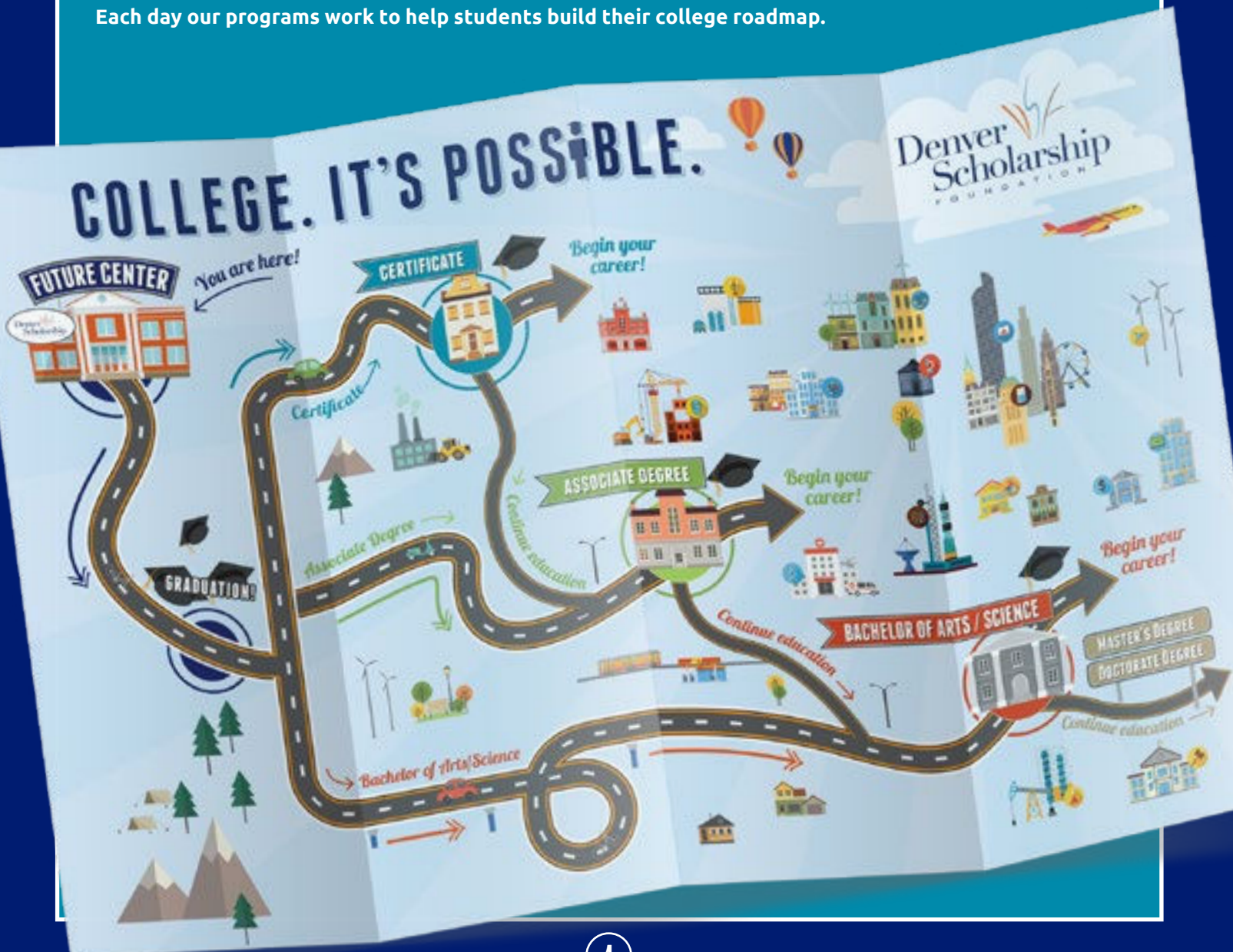


# *How* **COLLEGE** *is made* **POSSIBLE**

We won't stop until every Scholar can achieve to the best of his or her ability!

**The Denver Scholarship Foundation** makes college possible for thousands of Denver Public Schools' graduates each year. For many students in Denver, continuing their education beyond high school doesn't seem like a viable option. Most often, it's not low grades or lack of extracurricular activities keeping them from pursuing their dreams. There are thousands of intelligent, hard-working individuals facing the most intimidating barrier to college of all – they think it just isn't possible. But the Denver Scholarship Foundation is changing that. We're making a postsecondary degree possible for Denver's students.

**Each day our programs work to help students build their college roadmap.**



# FUTURE CENTERS

## Opening Minds, Opening Doors



**Our professional staff of College Advisors** work closely with school counselors, administrators, and faculty to inspire greater achievement in high school. At our Future Centers, students learn that college is possible, and they get the help to make it happen. Our College Advisors help students identify their college options, and support students throughout the college application process. This includes finding and applying for financial aid beyond the Denver Scholarship Foundation scholarship.



**Denver Scholarship works proactively with all Denver Public Schools' seniors at our Future Centers located inside DPS high schools.**

14K  
FUTURE CENTERS  
HIGH SCHOOLS

Together with our partners and Denver Public Schools, we reached about **14,000 students** and their families.

12  
FUTURE CENTERS  
HIGH SCHOOLS  
21

Denver Scholarship operated **12 Future Centers** that **serve 21 high schools**.

2900  
SENIORS

Denver Scholarship provided **intensive advising to 2,900 seniors**.

## TRIO TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM

The Denver Scholarship Foundation's TRIO Talent Search program inspires and empowers low-income, first generation students to complete high school and enroll in and complete postsecondary education. This free program serves 9th through 12th grade students, providing academic, career and financial aid advising and experiences to encourage education beyond high school. The TRIO Talent Search program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

Participants in the program are actively engaged in activities throughout the school year including: college visits, career experiences/exposure, cultural enrichment trips, access to tutoring resources, and more. Students also participate in workshops on financial aid, financial literacy, test preparation, self-advocacy and more.

# TRIO

Learn more at [denverscholarship.org/trio](http://denverscholarship.org/trio).



How **COLLEGE**  
is made **POSSIBLE**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## *Make it Possible*



**Denver Scholarship Foundation Scholarship** does more than pay for college. Our application and renewal process have evolved into an effective roadmap that guides students toward securing a complete financial aid package that makes succeeding in college possible. To qualify for our scholarship, high school students must apply for three additional scholarships or two scholarships and one student support program. Then they must apply for federal financial aid and follow up with their college to make sure they receive the maximum amount of state and federal support.

After they're enrolled in college, they must keep their grades up, and check in with us every semester in order to renew their scholarship for a maximum of five years. **Our donors understand that our scholarship is about more than money — it's a whole system designed to keep students accountable and help them succeed in school.** That's why so many individual donors choose to designate their gift to sponsor one or more of our scholars. In doing so, they are not just giving money for scholarships, they are making it possible for a student to succeed in college and transform their life forever.



In 2016, we awarded need-based scholarships up to **\$13,600 over four years to Denver Public Schools' graduates attending college or technical school in Colorado.**



In 2016, we awarded nearly **\$31 million in scholarships to over 5,000 students.**

## DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA) PROGRAM

In 2013, the Board of Directors opened scholarship eligibility to students who could confirm their lawful presence in the United States through the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

- **Since 2013, Denver Scholarship funded 204 unique DACA Scholars, awarding nearly \$1 million in scholarships!**
- **In fall 2016, Denver Scholarship awarded 124 DACA Scholars, our largest number ever!**
- **81% of our DACA Scholars are persisting or have graduated.**

### *Efrem Woldu*

High School: Thomas Jefferson High School, 2009 Degree: Construction Management

College: Colorado State University, 2013

Occupation: Project Engineer at Pinkard Construction

Growing up in Ethiopia, Efrem Woldu's parents always stressed the importance of education. Moving to the United States opened many doors, but not without his parents' sacrifice. "Their ultimate dream was to see us get an education," Efrem said of his parents.

As the middle child of five boys, family has always been important to Efrem. He recently bought a home in Denver for himself and his parents, and one day aspires to start his own construction company.





# COLLEGE SUCCESS

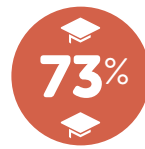
## *Joining the Community Together*



**Denver Scholarship Foundation** works collaboratively with our College Partners to ensure the success and completion of thousands of Scholars across the state. Our College Partners ensure that Denver Scholarship Foundation Scholars receive additional financial, academic and social support to help them succeed and graduate. College partners also provide critical support services, such as mentors, special seminars and tutors to help our scholars succeed.



For every **\$1 awarded** by Denver Scholarship to our scholarship recipients, our partner colleges **award an average of \$2 in additional financial aid.**



Since 2010, **73 percent of all Denver Scholarship Foundation Scholars have graduated** or continue to succeed in their program.

## COLLEGE PARTNERS

### Technical College

Emily Griffith Technical College  
Pickens Technical College

### Community College

Arapahoe Community College  
Colorado Mountain College  
Colorado Northwestern Community College  
Community College of Aurora  
Community College of Denver  
Front Range Community College  
Lamar Community College  
Otero Junior College

Pikes Peak Community College  
Red Rocks Community College

### Four Year College

Adams State University  
Colorado Christian University  
Colorado College  
Colorado Mesa University  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University  
Colorado State University - Global  
Colorado State University - Pueblo  
Fort Lewis College

Johnson & Wales University  
Metropolitan State University of Denver  
Naropa University  
Regis University  
University of Colorado Boulder  
University of Colorado - Colorado Springs  
University of Colorado Denver  
University of Denver  
University of Northern Colorado  
Western State Colorado University

## JoJo Zheng

High School: Emily Griffith High School, 2011  
College: Metropolitan State University, 2016

Degree: Hospitality, Tourism and Events  
Occupation: Desk Agent at JW Marriott

After her family emigrated to the United States, JoJo Zheng began working at her family's restaurant in Denver at age 14.

"Navigating two cultures was a challenge. I didn't always put my education first, but opportunities like Denver Scholarship helped me persevere," JoJo explained.

JoJo pushed forward and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality, Tourism, and Events from Metropolitan State University of Denver.

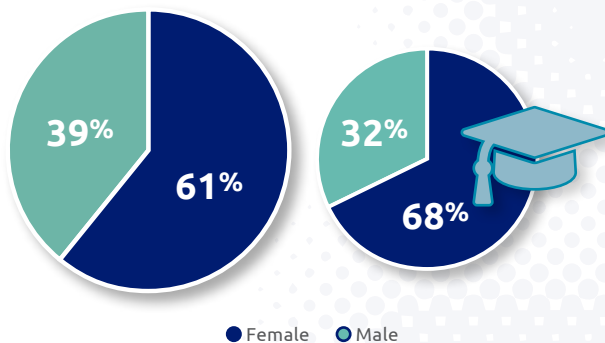


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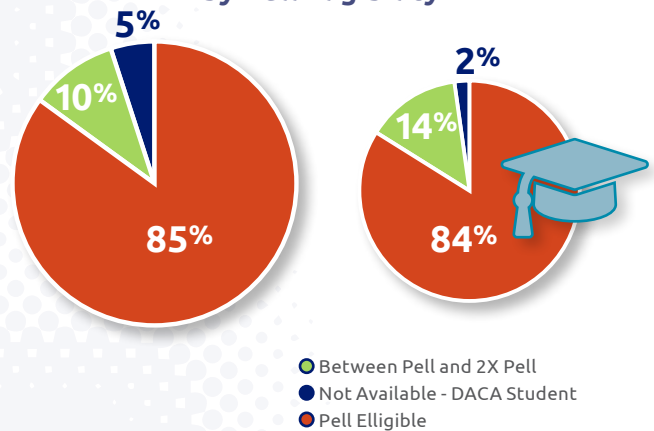
# OUR FUTURE

## *The Students We Serve*

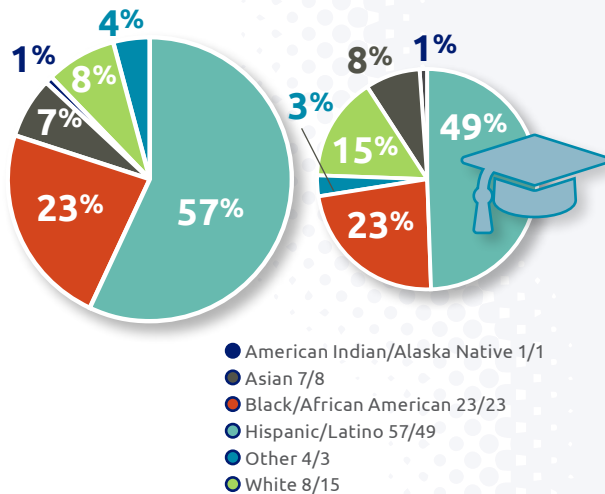
All DSF Scholars & Graduates  
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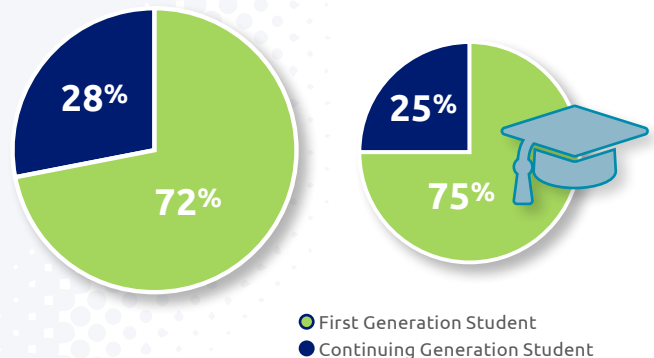
All DSF Scholars & Graduates  
by Pell Eligibility



All DSF Scholars & Graduates  
by Ethnicity



All DSF Scholars & Graduates  
by Generation to College



In 2015/16

OVER  
**\$31** MILLION in  
Scholarships

**73%** PERSISTENCE  
RATE



**31** COLLEGE  
PARTNERS

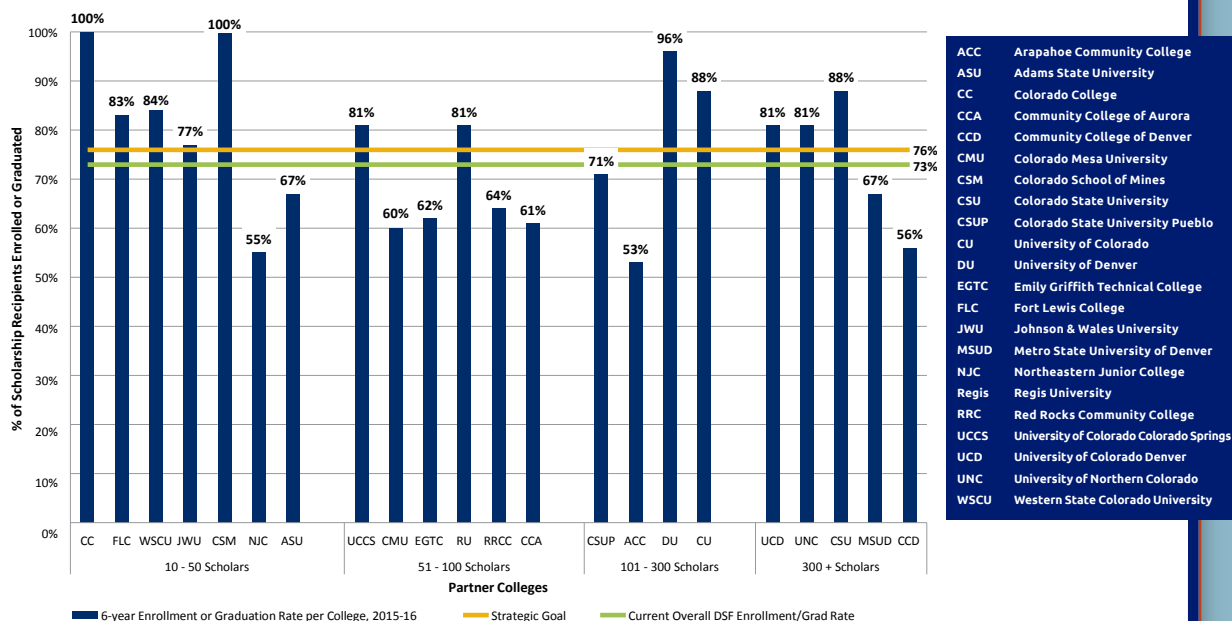
**1,500**  
graduates



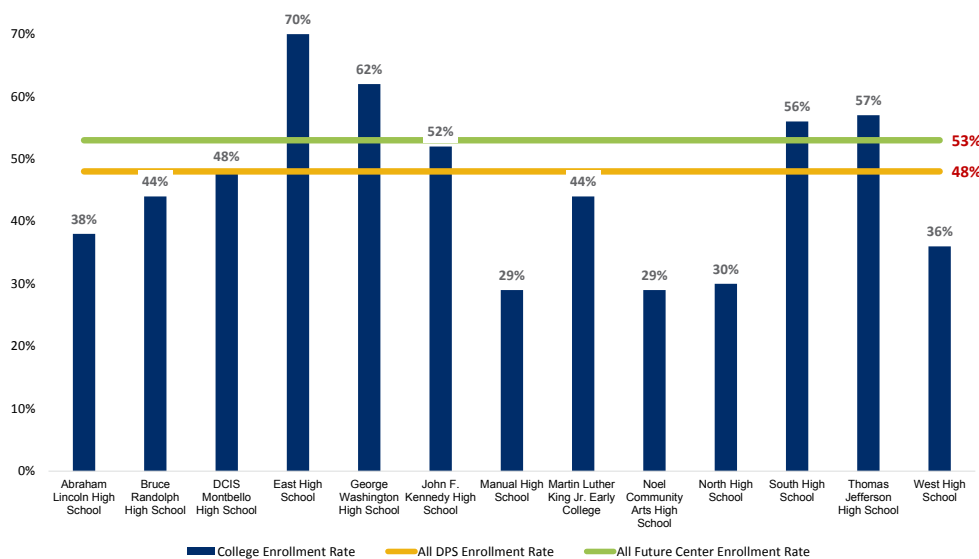
# OUR IMPACT

*"We are proud to be the catalyst for massive systematic change – making Colorado's workforce more diverse and homegrown!"*

## ENROLLMENT & GRADUATION RATES PER COLLEGE 2015-16



## 2015 COLLEGE ENROLLMENT RATES BY FUTURE CENTER HIGH SCHOOL



**5,000+**  
**SCHOLARS**

**100%**  
of our Scholars qualify for  
scholarships on the basis of  
income and academic performance

**14K**

DPS students and  
families offered  
college-going  
assistance

# 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA

*raises* **\$1.2 MILLION**

Presenting  
Sponsor:  
**Patty and Mike  
Starzer**

## *Honoring Governor John Hickenlooper*

Denver Scholarship Foundation honored one of our founders, Governor John Hickenlooper, and the visionary promise he made ten years ago that has helped make college possible for over 5,000 students today.

Back in early 2006, then Mayor John Hickenlooper set out to visit every school in the Denver Public Schools system. Academic achievement was low, and high school dropout rates were high. Mayor Hickenlooper found those standards completely unacceptable, and in his own inimitable style, he decided to do something about it.

He envisioned that every college-qualified graduate from Denver Public Schools should have access to a college or technical school education no matter what their financial circumstances and socio-economic background. He led the effort to establish the Denver Scholarship Foundation and secure its future with the generous assistance of our founding benefactors, Timothy and Bernadette Marquez and other generous philanthropists who joined them in the effort.

Ten years after the promise was made, there are astounding results to be celebrated. Thank you Governor John Hickenlooper for your dedication and ongoing commitment to Denver Scholarship!

**\$1.2m**



Together, members of the community contributed over 1.2 million dollars in support of the Denver Scholarship Foundation Scholars and programs!



Patty and Mike Starzer



Anne Trujillo





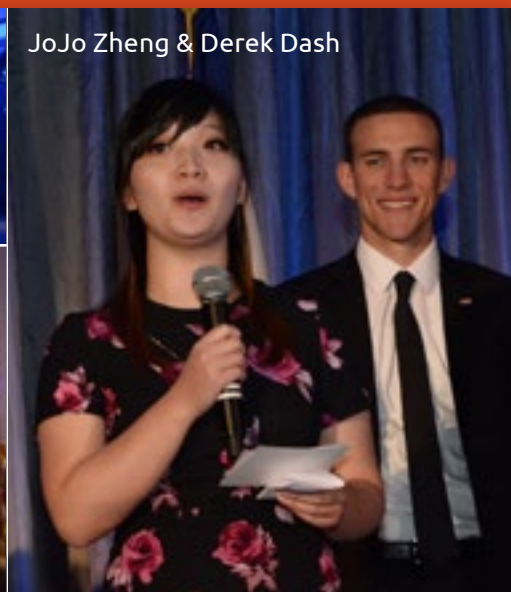
Jayne Ford &  
Cathey M. Finlon



Montbello Drum Line



JoJo Zheng & Derek Dash



*Demi Hudson*



*Derek Dash*



*Efrem Woldu*



*Erica Clemens*



*Hoc Vu*



*JoJo Zheng*



*Joey Arora*



*Jose Campuzano*



*Lacey Den Hartog*



*Mena Hashim*

## HONORING *Ten* INSPIRING SCHOLARS

Denver Scholarship Foundation Scholars are an inspiration to many – their siblings, relatives, neighbors, friends, teachers, and to us, the Denver Scholarship staff. Having succeeded despite the challenges they face, our Scholars excel in various career paths: science and education, healthcare, public policy and government service. They are our future as attorneys, electricians, plumbers and construction managers, as beauticians and barbers, military captains, engineers and more. Our Scholars exemplify talent, drive, confidence and the courage to overcome their challenges and achieve their life's goals. They work hard, contribute to our economic vitality as a state, and give back to their community as volunteers and donors.

At the tenth anniversary gala we honored and celebrated Ten Inspiring Scholars that represented graduates of Denver Public Schools who have continued their college education, thanks to the scholarship awards and mentoring provided by the Denver Scholarship.

## Save the Date

An evening with Jamie Dimon, hosted by Kent Thiry.  
Presented by JPMorgan Chase, DaVita and Patty and Mike Starzer: Hyatt Regency Denver at the Colorado Convention Center.

Sponsorship information available on  
our website, [denverscholarship.org](http://denverscholarship.org).





# 3<sup>RD</sup> annual GOLF CLASSIC nets \$137,000



More than 100 guests attended the 3rd Annual Golf Classic! All proceeds from the event funded scholarships to make college and technical school possible for Denver Public Schools' graduates. But that's not it! Because of a generous matching gift challenge provided by the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative, the net proceeds were matched! Therefore, making college and technical school possible for more of Denver's students!



## THANK YOU TO THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION!

Thanks to the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative (COSI), golf proceeds were **DOUBLED** dollar for dollar.

Learn more at [denverscholarship.org](http://denverscholarship.org) 



## Save the Date

Fourth Annual Golf Classic: July 10th, 2017 | Colorado Golf Club, Parker, CO  
Sponsorship information available on our website, [denverscholarship.org](http://denverscholarship.org).



# CAREER CONNECT

## *A Career and Technical Education Strategy*

**In 2016, Denver Scholarship Foundation launched a comprehensive strategy to engage Denver Public Schools' high school students interested in exploring skilled trade certifications and career paths.**

A growing number of students seek postsecondary options other than a college degree, but it is hard to find out about alternatives.

In close collaboration with DPS CareerConnect and CareerWise, students are being exposed to and prepared for middle-skilled jobs that require credentialing beyond high school, but not a four-year college degree. These jobs offer economic security and prosperity for Colorado's workers.

*Middle-skills jobs are essential to Colorado's health, infrastructure, and economic growth. Many of these jobs are local, hands-on jobs, meaning they are unlikely to be outsourced. By enhancing our advising to include multiple career paths, we can help students to find and access their best fit.*

Throughout the DPS system, many students are unaware of career-focused certifications and shorter-term technical degree paths or are influenced by social attitudes that consider technical pathways to be a second-rate choice that does not qualify the student as successful. For them, going to a four-year college and obtaining a baccalaureate degree is the definition of success.

Denver Scholarship is focused on providing an educational strategy that provides young people with academic, technical and employability skills. Thanks to our generous community partners, we are currently piloting technical pathways advising in two Montbello area schools, and John F. Kennedy High School with plans to expand in the 2017-18 school year.



## *Donor Spotlight:*

Thank you to the Daniels Fund for providing key financial support through a two-year grant, and to JPMorgan Chase Foundation and the LARRK Foundation for building a pipeline from education to workforce!



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*Superintendent  
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*Chief Executive Officer  
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## Joey Arora

High School: George Washington High School, 2009

College: University of Colorado Boulder, 2012

Degree: Business Administration

Occupation: Captain for the United States Air Force, Entrepreneur

As a first generation college graduate, Joey Arora credits his success to both his ambition and the supportive community around him. With a vision of using his degree to give back, Joey served four years in the Air Force upon graduation and soon after established Startup Alerts in 2012.

His experience with Denver Scholarship, CU Boulder and the Air Force have poised him to make a positive impact on the world.

"My goal is to inspire people," Joey said, "to build communities, grow entrepreneurship and improve the human condition across the world."





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## \$1 MILLION+

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Denver Public Schools

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Otten Johnson is dedicated to supporting students at Dora Moore. The Named Scholarship is an extension of a six-year partnership which has included school supply drives, coat and hat drives, volunteer paint days, and much more.

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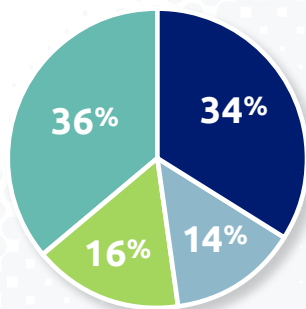
Mena Hashim's passion for cultural understanding through medicine didn't just happen by chance. As a refugee whose family emigrated from war-torn Iraq, Mena's experience with doctors in the U.S. led her to realize something was missing.

"I noticed that patients were treated as identical, and cultural differences were not respected or acknowledged," Mena explained.

As a peer mentor and a research assistant on the CU Anschutz Medical Campus, Mena now works to integrate cultural understanding into her practice of compassionate medicine.



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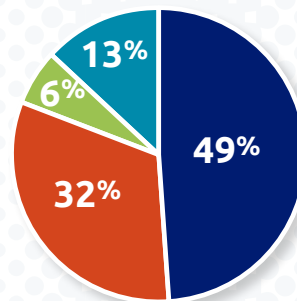


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- 14% special events revenue (net) - \$1,212,056
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- 16% release from temporary restricted - \$1,380,878
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- 32% College access and success services- \$2,404,097
- 6% General and administrative- \$438,709
- 13% Fundraising- \$967,192



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Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$2,878,881
Pledge receivables.....	\$358,065
Investment .....	\$24,744,976
Fixed assets (net).....	\$77,234
Other assets.....	\$115,763
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$28,174,919</b>

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#### LIABILITIES:

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Unrestricted .....	\$2,153,635
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