

YOU MAKE GRANITE GREAT:
**CELEBRATING
30 YEARS**

IMPACT REPORT 2019

GRANITE EDUCATION FOUNDATION



CELEBRATING



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GRANITE EDUCATION FOUNDATION: CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

In 1988, when a group of concerned educators, business leaders and community members gathered together and created Granite Education Foundation, they likely could not have imagined all it would become. The faces and programs of the Foundation have molded and changed throughout the years, however, one thing remains the same — a commitment to helping remove educational barriers for Granite children and educators.

The 2018-2019 school year has been a celebration of each of the Foundation milestones and the rich history that preceded them. It has also been a year to look forward to a future with continued growth and lives changed.

See how Granite Education Foundation’s programs were created and developed over 30 years.



1988

Granite Education Foundation is created.

SCHOLARSHIPS

are created to help students improve their futures, many as first generation college students. The program awarded nearly \$60,000 last school year.

SANTA SACKS

and other holiday assistance programs begin for students in need. Last school year, 6,226 individuals and families were helped. (Valued at over \$311,300)

KIDS SHOP-A-THON

is started to help children prepare for the first day of school with a shopping spree. Last school year, over 200 students participated.

2018-2019

Granite Education Foundation continues to grow and change.

EXCEL AWARDS

begin recognizing excellence in Granite's dedicated educators by honoring the top ten teachers each year.

CLASSROOM GRANTS

are established to assist educators with much needed classroom resources. Last year the program awarded \$30,000 in grants.

FOOD PROGRAMS

are created to fulfill the needs of students and allow them to better concentrate in school. The programs have grown to 33 mobile food stops and 17 in-school food pantries.

STUDENT AID

provides life essentials like clothing, school supplies, eyeglasses, and bus passes to kids.

TOGETHER, WE'RE GROWING GREATER



Dear Friends,

For thirty years, we have evolved as an organization. Over three short decades we have continued to provide assistance and support to countless educators and students in Granite School District. A lot has transpired over the years but one thing remains constant, Granite Education Foundation is committed to open communication and transparency; we are passionate about those we serve; when faced with challenges, we adapt and grow — becoming stronger together in the process.

In everything we do, we strive to live up to our mission, vision, and goals. Furthermore, as we position ourselves for the next 30 years, we are critically reexamining our activities, programs and approaches to ensure our resources are directed toward our most important benefactors — our students and educators.

Granite Education Foundation continually finds itself in the spotlight for raising the bar and setting new standards in the public education foundation sector. The organization is renowned for being pivotal in securing

support and partnerships from a variety of sources. By working closely with schools and the school district, and in connecting with community leaders, other nonprofit organizations, local and national businesses, we've developed significant opportunities and support structures to help the most vulnerable.

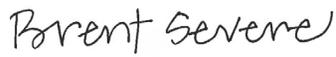
With our 'eye to the future,' we are keenly aware of the growing and changing needs within the communities of our schools. As an organization, we look forward to helping where we can, understanding that many of our schools struggle to find adequate resources to meet their needs. We recognize the countless challenges students face in having their basic needs met so that they can attend school ready to learn and on an equal level as many of their peers. It takes the collaborative efforts of an army of passionate and caring people to help mitigate the increasing risk factors affecting students today. We continue to be persistent and flexible in our efforts to find creative, workable solutions to lift those around us.

The support YOU provide the Foundation makes a critical difference. Thank you to our supporters, board members, donors, and volunteers for inspiring us over the past 30 years. Together, we are making great things happen.

In appreciation of YOU, and all that YOU do! YOU make GRANITE great!

With gratitude,


RANDY WOODBURY
 Board Chair


BRENT SEVERE
 Chief Executive Officer

GRANITE STORIES



When Lwel Htoo came to America with his family fleeing violence in Myanmar, the only two English words he knew were ‘yes’ and ‘no’. School was difficult and scary for him, but he was determined to work hard and do his best to make his father proud. Lwel was a recipient of a Granite Education Foundation scholarship after graduating from Granger High this year. He will be attending the University of Utah this fall.

“The education and life that I have now is all because of my father’s sacrifices,” explained Lwel. “Because of this, the decisions that I make I hope will be actions that my father can be proud of.”

[Watch Lwel’s full story on our YouTube channel.](#)



Leah Wright always wanted to teach, but she didn’t pursue her dream until much later in life. After raising her children, she chased after her calling to be a teacher and every student she’s reached since at Gearld Wright Elementary is so grateful she did. Leah received a 2019 Excel Award after being nominated by fellow teachers and students.

“I became a teacher when I was old and I’ve loved it,” Leah said. “I love teaching. I love every part of it. Being an advocate for these students that need you so badly — it’s a wonderful profession.”

[Watch Leah’s full story on our YouTube channel.](#)

GRANITE STORIES



After hitting tough times, Dolores Lopez visited the in-school food pantry sponsored by Smith's Food & Drug at David Gourley Elementary. One day she offered to help move boxes at the pantry. That act of service eventually led to Dolores taking over as the volunteer pantry coordinator. She has created an atmosphere of happiness and service at the pantry that is contagious for all who visit it.

"You may say it's working for free, but to me it's not because there's too many rewards for me being here," said Dolores of her time at the pantry.

[Watch Dolores' full story on our YouTube channel.](#)



YOU make Granite great.

It is because of each of you — members of the Granite community, teachers, students, volunteers, business leaders and board members — that the Foundation succeeds. It is through you that we have the power to change lives. Thank you for making Granite great!

[To see how you can get involved visit granitekids.org.](http://granitekids.org)

2019: A TIMELINE



REDWOOD
BACK-TO-
SCHOOL DAY



INAUGURAL
KIDS
SHOP-A-THON



GRANITE PARK
FOOD PANTRY
OPENING



FOUNDATION
FOOD DROPS



THANKSGIVING
MEALS



DONOR
RECOGNITION
THANKS FOR
GIVING



POLAR EXPRESS
ADVENTURE

2019: A TIMELINE



HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE



EXCEL EVENING OF HONORS



TEACHER OF THE YEAR BANQUET

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

HARLEM WIZARDS



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SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT

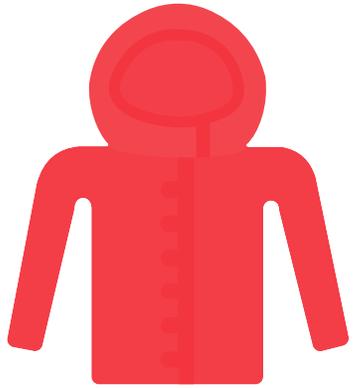


SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT

MORE TO COME



2019 BY THE NUMBERS



239

COATS
DISTRIBUTED
(VALUING \$10,755)

10,138

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT AID
REQUESTS COMPLETED
(VALUING \$303,860)



3,073

CLOTHING
REQUESTS FILLED
(VALUING \$35,740)

MORE THAN
50%
OF GRANITE'S
67,000
STUDENTS
LIVE AT OR BELOW
THE POVERTY LINE



208

SHOES GIVEN
TO STUDENTS
(VALUING \$5,200)



6,820

BACKPACKS WITH
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
DISTRIBUTED



833

STUDENTS GIVEN BUS
PASSES
(VALUING \$34,986)

FINANCIALS

Fiscal Year Ending June 30

2019

2018

PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUE

Contributions	\$950,815	\$903,074
Donated Goods/Services	\$3,539,852	\$3,363,353
Government Grants & Other Grants	\$290,041	\$134,800
Investment Income/Losses	\$174,158	\$91,046
Total Public Support & Revenue	\$4,954,866	\$4,575,385

PROGRAM SERVICES & EXPENSES

Program Services	\$3,790,124	\$3,276,934
Management & General	\$663,520	\$427,634
Development/Fundraising	\$93,144	\$466,126
Total Program Services & Expenses	\$4,546,758	\$4,170,694

NON-AGENT ACCOUNTS

Elementary Schools	\$345,222	\$260,650
Secondary Schools	\$78,282	\$53,862
Scholarships	\$156,581	\$143,151
Other Accounts	\$50,809	\$37,738
Total Non-agent Accounts	\$630,894	\$495,401

VOLUNTEER HOURS

TOTAL

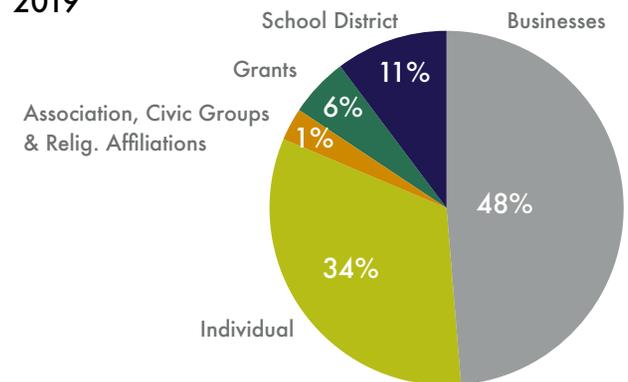
VALUING

13,536.50

\$338,277.13

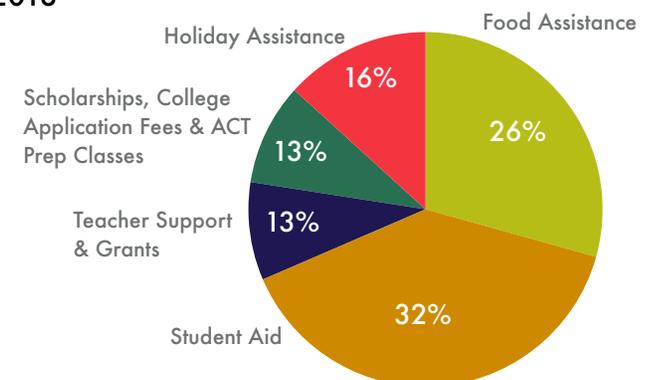
REVENUE BY SOURCE (INCLUDING IN-KIND)

2019



SERVICES PROVIDED

2018



DONOR SPOTLIGHT:

DISCOVER FINANCIAL SERVICES

For years, Discover Financial Services has been an invaluable supporter of Granite Education Foundation. However, in the last year Discover has gone above and beyond to serve Granite students and teachers. Discover employees live their mission of promoting volunteerism and doing the right thing. Discover is a corporation that actively engages and cares for the community. We are so grateful for the relationship we share.

We spoke with Rich Simon, Director of Consumer Lending Bank Operations about their experience over the years working with Granite Education Foundation. In 2018-2019, they made a brand new program possible, Kids Shop-A-Thon, a day where 200 of students with the most critical needs went on an all expense paid, back-to-school shopping spree.



Q: Why does Discover continue to choose Granite Education Foundation?

A: Rich: Discover is committed to improving the communities in which we work and has a long tradition of supporting organizations, such as the Granite Education Foundation, that provide education and financial literacy. Beyond these common interests, Granite Education Foundation excels in providing important partnership support and leadership as well as creativity in solving fundamental problems.

Q: How has being involved with Granite Education Foundation made a difference for Discover?

A: Rich: Volunteerism and Doing the Right Thing are two of the values that help shape Discover's culture and guide the company's actions.

Discover's partnership with Granite Education Foundation has helped its employees live these values. Whether it be supporting the assembly and delivery of back-to-school backpacks and food pantry packs, interacting with kids during Junior Achievement lessons in the classroom, or buying clothing for the most at-risk kids at the Kids Shop-A-Thon, the opportunity for Discover employees to directly make a difference in the lives of children in the community leave all of us better as well.

Q. Why did Discover choose to support the creation of Kids Shop-A-Thon?

A: Rich: Discover has a history of innovation and even with all our successes, we felt we could do more. Employees were challenged to submit ideas that would allow Discover to provide an even more meaningful impact than what we were already providing. After exploring many possibilities, we narrowed our focus to the basic needs of children in order to allow their education to fully enrich their future. We believe by helping these kids become more like their peers in confidence and in self-image, they will be more successful in their educational pursuits resulting in a brighter financial future.

Q. Any other thoughts about Granite Education Foundation?

A: Rich: Discover is very proud of its partnership with Granite Education Foundation and the work we've done together to support the district's students and their families. We look forward to continuing to build this relationship in the future.



MISSION & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Governed by a volunteer board of directors, these individuals give of their time in assuring that the organization fulfills its mission.

MISSION

To improve educational outcomes by strengthening the Granite School District community.

This is accomplished through the engagement of business and community partners in the support of Granite School District and the academic achievement of all its students.

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