

TELLING OUR STORY

GEF IMPACT REPORT 2023 - 2024


GRANITE
EDUCATION
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LETTER FROM BOARD CHAIR & CEO

Letter from
Board Chair
& CEO

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Dear Friends,

Wow! Another incredible school year in the books. We are excited to share with you what we have been up to over the past year. None of what we do would be possible without the ongoing support of every donor, partner, board member, volunteer, and staff member. To all of you, THANK YOU! So many students in Granite benefit from your amazing generosity.

At the Granite Education Foundation, we have the opportunity to work with over 80 schools and 58,000 students in the Granite School District. We get to cross paths with so many outstanding students and educators! This report will highlight the work being done to support students and educators in Granite using our 4 Pillared approach.

4 Pillars:

1. Access to Opportunity
2. Food Assistance
3. Student Aid
4. Educator Support and Recognition

We hope that you are as excited as we are about the work being done! We are more motivated than ever to support the Granite School District's outstanding students and educators.

Thank you again for all of your support!



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrie Johnson".

CARRIE JOHNSON

Board Chair



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jadee Talbot".

JADEE TALBOT

Chief Executive Officer

MISSION & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MISSION

Granite Education Foundation reduces barriers to learning while increasing access to opportunities for students in the Granite School District.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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



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GRANITE EDUCATION FOUNDATION



*"Reducing
barriers to learning
& increasing
access to opportunity"*

GRANITE EDUCATION FOUNDATION PILLARS

"Reducing barriers to learning - Increasing access to opportunities"

Program
Pillars

4

ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY



Absolutely Incredible Kid
* 19 students recognized
* \$3,900

UNIFIED SPORTS
* 9 Schools
* \$3,000 Transportation

SCHOLARSHIPS
* 51 Scholarships
* \$122,213.56

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES
* 86 Students
* \$2,910 fees

UTA Fare Pay Bus Passes
* 2,466 Passes
* 44,171 Trips

PRESCHOOL SERVICES
* 44 Preschools
* \$50,000

EDUCATOR SUPPORT



EXCEL Awards
* 10 Educators
* Teacher of the Year
* 1 Administrator
* \$16,500 + Prizes

TEACHER GRANTS
* \$230,000
* 920 Teachers

THANK YOU THURSDAY
* 38 Schools
* 2,550 Staff
* \$11,340 prizes
* \$315 per educator

NEW TEACHER STORE
* 165 New Teachers
* \$40,000
* \$215 per Teacher

Teacher Appreciation Fair
* 76 Unique Prizes
* 80 Pallets of items
* \$13,000 awarded

FOOD ASSISTANCE



Emergency Food Boxes
* 462 Boxes
* 1,720 Individuals
* 6,454 Meals

SCHOOL SNACK PICKUP
* 34 Schools
* 22,667 Students
* 56,841 Snack Kits

9/11 Day of Service
* 624 Volunteer Hours
* 437 Volunteers
* 23,373 Kits built

Student Weekend Kits
* 77,344 Kits
* 309,376 Meals
* 58,044 Students

STUDENT AID



STUDENT AID Distribution
* 136,124 Items
* \$1,872,742

Clothing & Bedding Items
* 1,680 Coats/Jackets
* 11,538 Clothing
* \$178,742
* 401 Bedding Items

SANTA SACKS PreK-12
* 6,789 Distributed
* \$407,340

Vision & Hygiene
* 133 Vision Vouchers
* 9,898 Hygiene items

BACKPACKS & School Supply Deliveries
* 16,480 Backpacks
* 56 Schools
* \$217,857

\$2,571,204

Given back
to schools
2023 - 2024

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GSD HANDY FACTS 2023-2024



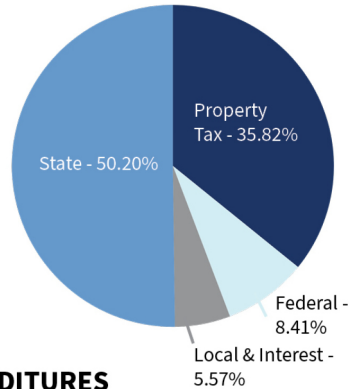
83 SCHOOLS	58,202 STUDENTS ENROLLED	47.9% OF STUDENTS ARE ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED
Elementary.....56	Elementary.....26,732	Utah Total.....31%
Junior High.....15	Junior High.....11,927	
Senior High.....8	Senior High.....18,950	
Specialty.....4	Special Programs.....593	

SPENDING SUMMARY

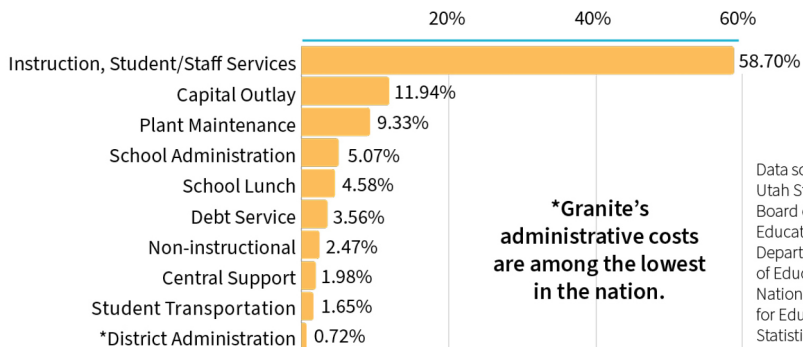
Average per pupil expenditure	Nation \$15,633	Utah \$13,780	Granite \$14,543
*Average teacher salary	Nation \$69,544	Utah \$67,976	Granite \$72,946
**Student-teacher ratio	Nation 15.7	Utah 20.9	Granite 19.6

*A larger pool of veteran teachers increases averages.
**Actual class ratios are dependent on a number of factors.

REVENUE SOURCES



BUDGETED EXPENDITURES



***Granite's administrative costs are among the lowest in the nation.**

Data sources: Utah State Board of Education, U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics

ASSESSMENTS

American College Testing (ACT)

Composite scores from 2023

Granite	18.4
Utah	19.9
Nation*	19.5

*All Utah high school students take the ACT, as opposed to roughly 57% nationally. Of states that test all students, Utah has the highest average composite score.

Advanced Placement (AP)

5,325 Exams were taken in GSD

Percent of exams passed:

Granite	62%
Utah	68%
Nation	60%

State Exams

Readiness Improvement Success Empowerment (RISE)
Proficient or Highly Proficient (Grades 3-8)

English Language Arts	33.2%
Mathematics	31.2%
Science (Grades 4-8)	38.1%

Utah Aspire Plus

Proficient or Highly Proficient (Grades 9-10)

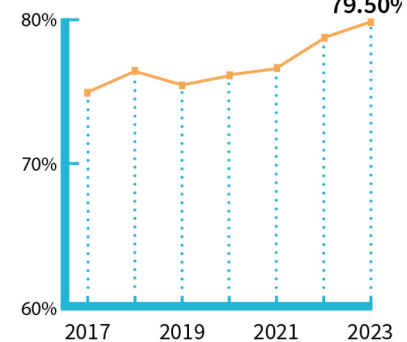
English Language Arts	31.4%
Mathematics	16.8%
Science	23.8%

ETHNIC MAKEUP

American Indian	0.7%
Asian	3.8%
Black	3.6%
Hispanic/Latino	35.7%
Pacific Islander	3.6%
White/Caucasian	48.8%
Multiple Races	4.4%

25% of students are English language learners

GRADUATION RATE



TEACHERS & STAFF

Teachers	3,352
-Elementary	1,604
-Junior High	696
-Senior High	952
-Special Programs	100
Specialists/Counselors	335
Paraeducators/School Support	1,808
Psychologists/Social Workers	145
Service Workers/Skilled Crafts	2,916
Preschool	328
Substitutes	900

PILLAR: Access to Opportunity

"Addressing access gaps for students in Granite"

UTA Fare Pay Cards

2022 - 2023 School Year	2023 - 2024 School Year
1,381 Cards Given	2,469 Cards Given
22,813 Trips Taken	44,884 Trips Taken



56%

**Increase
in Need
2023-2024**



"I have a senior who received a bus pass all year. His mom works nights and does not get home until after his school bus would leave in the morning. The student had to stay home because he had to watch his siblings, a baby and a two year old. He was missing a lot of school because of the logistics involved. We provided a bus pass so he could come late when he wasn't able to catch the bus in time. He has met the requirements to graduate this year!"

- Counselor in GSD

Access to
Opportunity **6**



Preschool Services



IMPACT

- \$50,000 Preschool Grant
- 44 GSD Preschools



Unified Sports



IMPACT

- 8 High School Networks
- 3 Sports
 - Soccer
 - Track & Field
 - Basketball
- Regional Tournament
- 2 State Tournaments
- Bus Transportation



7 Access to Opportunity

PILLAR: Access to Opportunity

"Addressing access gaps for students in Granite"

Absolutely Incredible Kid



"Absolutely Incredible Kid is a heartwarming initiative where Granite School District in partnership with the Granite Education Foundation identifies students at each high school who have overcome significant personal challenges. Each of the students stayed on track to graduate despite the varying challenges that they faced in their personal lives. These challenges have included losing both parents, overcoming significant health issues (physical and/or mental), experiencing homelessness, among many others. Each year 15 to 20 of these students are recognized with \$50 gift cards and the one who is chosen as the Absolutely Incredible Kid of the Year receives a large, personalized gift basket that includes a new computer and scholarship money."

**- Jadee Talbot, CEO
Granite Education Foundation**

Access to
Opportunity

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WINNER GIFTS

- \$1,000 Scholarship
- VLCM Laptop
- \$1,500 in college supplies and gift cards
- One Remarkable Student

RUNNERS UP GIFTS


- \$50 Amazon Gift Cards
- 18 students

Scholarship Programs



IMPACT

- 9 High Schools
- 51 Students
- \$122,213.56 in Scholarships Districtwide



9 Access to Opportunity

"Thank you for helping me further my education"

-GSD Student

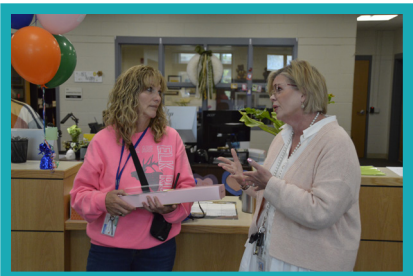
PILLAR: Educator Support

"Celebrating & Recognizing Excellence in the Classroom"

Thank You Thursday



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Thank You!



RECOGNITION

36 Educators
36 Schools

- Personalized Plaque
- Balloons
- Crumbl Cookies
- Dinner Gift Card
- \$200 Classroom Grant
- Candy Bars for all Staff



Educator Support **10**

Teacher Appreciation Fair

"I felt seen, appreciated, and valued! I loved running into so many friends from other schools! The positive energy there was amazing, especially for being at the end of the year! The material I was able to get from the sweep will benefit my students in many ways - projects, assignments, prizes, and more."

- Teacher Fair Attendee



IMPACT

300 Educators
80 Schools

- 80 Pallets donated items
- 76 Prizes given
- 10 \$100 Gift cards
- 2 \$1,000 teacher grants
- 40 \$250 teacher grants

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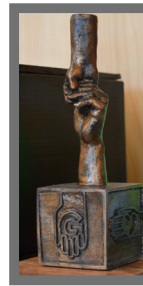





PILLAR: Educator Support

“Celebrating & Recognizing Excellence in the Classroom”

Excel Educator Award Program



Teacher of the Year

IMPACT

- Public Recognition
- Highlighting & Elevating the Teaching Profession
- Monetary Award
- Service Ambassadorship



“Being from a family of refugees, the Excel program has given me the incredible opportunity to bring recognition to my family’s name for the greater good. The support and recognition have instilled in me a profound sense of responsibility to rise to the occasion and be a steward of the teaching profession. I am forever grateful for the trajectory this experience has set me on.”

- Seyyed Sharifi, Excel Winner & Teacher of the Year

EXCEL AWARD WINNERS

2023-2024



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Rock Frampton
HUNTER HIGH SCHOOL

Nathan Smith
HARRY S. TRUMAN ELEMENTARY

Adam Wilkins
COTTONWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Seyyed Sharifi
HARTVIGSEN SCHOOL

Brandon Moore
ROBERT FROST ELEMENTARY

Alejandra Mena Arellano
WEST KEARNS ELEMENTARY

Prema Chruthoti
LINCOLN ELEMENTARY

Susan Wiley
UPLAND TERRACE ELEMENTARY

Shae Bunker
SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL

Iliana Gomez
STANSBURY ELEMENTARY



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NOMINATION - APPLICATION - EVALUATION - OBSERVATION - RECOGNITION - CELEBRATION

2,204

Nominations

910

Educators

104

Applications

32

Observations

11

Winners

1

Teacher of the Year

13 Educator Support

PILLAR: Educator Support

"Celebrating & Recognizing Excellence in the Classroom"

New Teacher Store



The average teacher spends over \$860 per year - out of pocket to meet the needs of their students.

- 23-24 Annual Report Adopt-a-Classroom

IMPACT

- 165 New Teachers
- Classroom Supplies
- Copy Paper
- Pencils, Crayons
- Markers, Highlighters
- Tissues, Bandages
- Folders, Glue Sticks



"I needed all of those items! It gave me a lift when I needed it. I was wondering how I was going to afford those very things. Tight budget, high bills, and debt have made everything a struggle for me. My heart is so full of gratitude. ALL new teachers NEED this at the beginning of the school year. You have alleviated a lot of anxiety for new teachers in one fell swoop!"

- New Teacher, Granite School District

Special Thanks...
Anonymous Donor

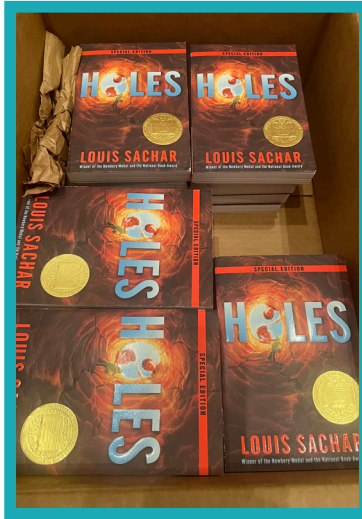


Elementary Classroom Grants



"I am so grateful for the teacher grant I received! I bought these tablets my students have loved! We use them whole group and small group. They make writing a little more fun! Plus, they are easy to pass out and collect. I am hoping they will last for several years. I also bought a bunch of snacks and treats to go with our end of year alphabet countdown. This adds some anticipation and enthusiasm to the end of the year and we get to review the alphabet one more time."

- Harry S. Truman Elementary Teacher



Teacher Grants generously made possible by:



13 Educator Support

IMPACT

- 933 Elementary Teachers
- 566 Classroom Grants of \$250
- 194 Donor's Choose Projects
- 68 Class Fieldtrips
- 40 Schools

\$230,000

Thank You!



PILLAR: Student Aid

"Providing clothing, school supplies, & supportive materials to students"

Distribution



ITEMS

- Coats/Jackets
- Clothing
- Backpacks
- Shoes/Boots
- Laundry Detergent
- Hygiene Kits
- Beds
- Vision Vouchers
- Gift Cards
- Santa Sacks



"On behalf of my family, I just wanted to say thank you so much for all the items and services you blessed and provided for our family. My children have been sleeping on the floor for almost five years before you blessed them both with a soft, comfortable bed to sleep on. As a veteran family, we have a lot of anxiety and stress and just a lot of mental health problems to deal with, and it just feels wonderful to not stress about one more thing. We hope to one day be able to bless others just as you blessed our family. I've used the bed as an example for my children to help those less fortunate or in need. I hope my children [continue] this great tradition of giving."

- Granite Park Jr. Family

Back - To - School



IMPACT

- BACKPACKS:**
- 16,480 Backpacks
 - School Supply Kits
 - 16,480 Students
 - 56 Schools



- BEDS & BEDDING:**
- 133 Student Beds
 - 401 Bedding Items

- VISION & HYGIENE:**
- 139 Vision Exams
 - 139 Glasses
 - 4,142 Hygiene Kits



15 Student Aid

PILLAR: Student Aid

"Providing clothing, school supplies, & supportive materials to students"

Shop-A-Thon



IMPACT

- 368 Students
- 425 Volunteers
- 8 Hours
- \$250 shopping spree
- Super Heroes
- \$24,131.51 in Kohl's Cash

Due to the generosity of DISCOVER, their employees, and several partners, we celebrated the 5th annual Shop-a-thon. A special day for up to 425 students to receive a \$250 shopping spree, haircuts, dental and vision checkups, pillows, food, and more!

This coming together of community is an inspiring look at a major impact. Students who would otherwise have no opportunity to pick out their own outfits rejoice on Shop-a-thon day!

Student **16**
Aid



Thank you to all our partners who put on this magnificent event.



Santa Sacks PreK-12



"The real magic of Santa Claus is a lesson in Love and Sharing"



IMPACT

- 5,089 Elementary Students
- 1,700 Secondary Students
- 57 Schools



"I just wanted to share with you a great interaction I had with a mom today. We had a mom pick up the Santa Sack for her student and she wanted to come back and thank everyone for putting their name on the list. She was in tears so grateful that her student could get a sack with socks, a gift card, and other small items. She wanted to make sure everyone knew how much these small things meant to her and her family especially this time of year."

"Thanks for all the hard work you guys do! Our families really appreciate everything you do for them."

- Social Worker from Cyprus High School

PILLAR: Food Assistance

"Feeding students in school, on the weekend, and in emergencies"

Student Weekend Meal Kits



Vivint Gives Back

40,000 kits built by **Vivint**

IMPACT

STUDENT WEEKEND KITS

- 77,344 Kits Distributed
- 71 Schools
- 309,376 Meals
- 5.33 meals per GSD Student
- 58,000 Students



"I worked with a particular family, single dad, three kids. Dad worked long hours and struggled with providing meals when students were not in school. Giving kits to the family helped reduce stress in the home and improved parent-child relationship."

- GSD Social Worker



School Snack Pick Up



IMPACT

SCHOOL SNACK KITS

- 56,841 Distributed
- 405,398 Individual Snacks
- 34 Schools
- 22,667 Students
- 7 Snacks per GSD Student



19 Food Assistance

Emergency Food Boxes



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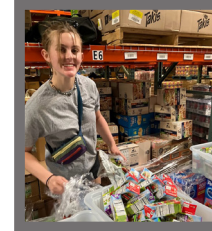
EMERGENCY FOOD BOXES

- 482 Distributed
- 1,720 Individuals
- 315,410 Total Meals

PILLAR: Food Assistance

"Feeding students in school, on the weekend, and in emergencies"

9/11 Day of Service



SEPTEMBER 11
National Day of Service & Remembrance

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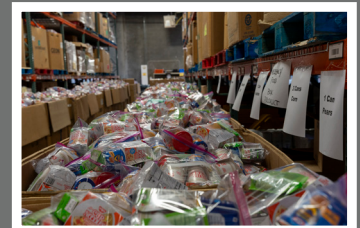
- 437 Volunteers
- 624 Hours
- 12,923 Meal Kits
- 10,450 Snack Kits

Total Kits Built: 23,373





"A family recently lost their family member that provided financial stability. The family was struggling to provide food for a very large family. The students and parent thanked me for having one less thing to worry about in a very difficult time."

- GSD Social Worker



Souper Bowl of Caring



Wasatch Junior High  \$47,053.38	Churchill Junior High  \$45,007.67
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IMPACT

- 830 Donations
- 9 Schools
- 8 Businesses
- \$55,616 In-Kind
- \$144,474 Monetary
- \$11,700 BSA



Scouting For Food



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- 12 Stores
- 13 Pallets
- 7 Scout Troops
- 3 Battalions



VOLUNTEER FACTS

Volunteer Support



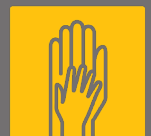
IMPACT

- 5,474 Volunteers
- 7,525 Hours Donated
- 3,133 Hours at Home
- 2,164 Month Record
- Value =
4.26 Full-Time Positions

\$239,312.49



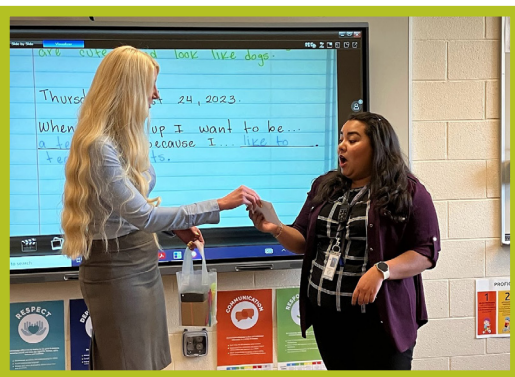
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Community Support



*Making
a
Difference!*



THANK YOU

We couldn't run our programs without the help of numerous volunteers and community partners.

Thank You! to all who give of their time to help us reduce barriers to learning and increase access to opportunities for the students at Granite School District.

You are making a difference, and you are appreciated!

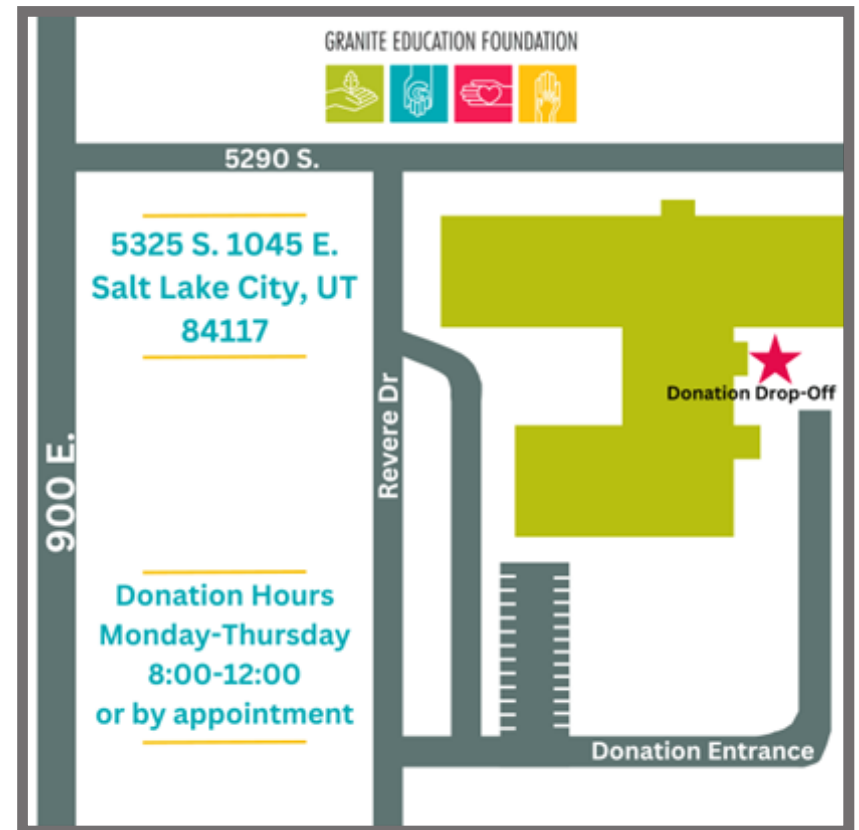


NEW LOCATION

DONATION & DISTRIBUTION CENTER



Thank You!



NEW
Location **24**

We've moved our warehouse to:
5325 S. Revere Dr. (1045 E.) SLC, UT 84117

FINANCIALS FROM AUDIT 2022-2023

GRANITE EDUCATION FOUNDATION



Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 2023* TOTAL

REVENUE SUPPORT & GAINS

Grants	\$716,044
Contributions	\$995,903
Fundraising Events	\$86,652
In-Kind Contributions	\$2,486,152
Net Investment Gain	\$151,626
Net Assets released from restrictions	\$154,154
Total Revenue & Support	\$4,590,531

PROGRAM SERVICES & EXPENSES

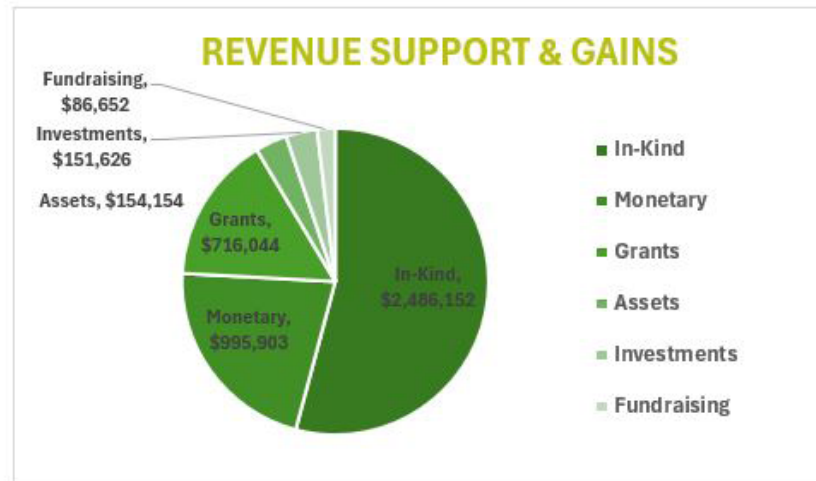
Program Services	\$3,788,910
Management & General	\$295,542
Fundraising	\$132,938
Total Expenses	\$4,217,390
Change in net assets without donor restrictions	\$373,141

NET ASSETS

Contributions	\$32,136
Net assets released from restrictions	-\$154,154
Change in net assets with donor restrictions	-\$122,018
Change in Net Assets	\$251,123

Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$2,922,438
Net Assets, End of Year	\$3,173,561

* (From Audited Financial Statements 2022-2023 FY)



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"Thank You for making a Difference!"

Champion of Education



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**Santa Sack
Volunteer Hours:**

**Kathy Newton
Sandy Clayton
& the Santa Sack
Elves**





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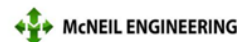
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