INVEST IN EVERY CHILD
Dear Friends,

We are delighted to share this report with you highlighting and celebrating the HISD Foundation’s impact in 2019.

The HISD Foundation, in partnership with our supporters and friends has remained steadfast in our commitment to the success of students in HISD. As shown in the report below, we continued to invest in programs and opportunities that expand students’ access to a world-class, life-changing education.

As you read and engage with the report, we invite you to join us in celebrating what we accomplished last year. We also urge you to join us in the next phase of our journey. As you know, the challenges facing HISD are tremendous. It is more important than ever for us to come together as a community to ensure our students’ success. Your support for the HISD Foundation in the year ahead will allow us to advance strategic priorities that will have a powerful, transformational impact on students, their families, and the community as a whole for many years to come.

We ask you to push forward alongside us in this most important work – and thank you again for everything you do to support HISD!

ANN SCOTT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
HISD FOUNDATION

LORI VETTERS
CHAIRMAN,
HISD FOUNDATION

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This year, foundations, corporations, and individuals came together to support more than 200,000 STUDENTS ENROLLED in HISD.

Approximately 75 PERCENT of the students attending HISD schools – or about 150,000 CHILDREN – are economically disadvantaged. Many of these children, and the schools they attend, have significant needs that go beyond what the school district’s budget can provide.

The HISD Foundation is dedicated to mobilizing the local community to improve outcomes for all students in the district.

Over the last decade, the HISD Foundation has supported the district with over $75 MILLION DOLLARS IN PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT that has had a significant impact on school and teacher performance, student academic success, family and community engagement.

The following stories provide a glimpse of what’s possible when the Houston community come together to transform the lives of the students, parents, teachers, and the community we serve by INVESTING IN EVERY CHILD.

LISA JACKSON

Lisa Jackson is the senior manager of Student Assistance Department. Lisa’s department is responsible for addressing the needs of students at risk for school failure due to non-academic indicators, including attendance, homeless assistance, and to ensure students in foster care receive the assistance they need.

In 2018, the HISD Foundation received a $420,000 grant from the Greater Houston Community Foundation through its Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund to aid the growing number of homeless students in HISD due to Harvey.

Through this transformative grant, Lisa Jackson, Senior Manager of Student Assistance and her team worked tirelessly to provide food, uniforms, bus passes, tuxedos for senior prom to over 650 families.

“The Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund recognized the potential for HISD to directly help many affected students and families. Offering support in the form of temporary housing, emergency financial assistance, and basic needs was aligned with the fund’s goal to serve Houston’s impacted and vulnerable populations. We are glad that Lisa and her team were able to coordinate these assistance efforts to families and students in need of recovery and thank them for their work.”

- ROBERT SEPEDA, GREATER HOUSTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.
“Thanks to the generosity of Direct Energy, students of the Stephen F. Austin were able to participate with a 1/1 ratio of students to instruments for the first time in years. Students were able to participate in football games, parades, competitions and even perform at the State Capitol because of the generous donation.”

- KEAVON RUNNELS

OUT 2 LEARN INITIATIVE

Out 2 Learn is an initiative funded by Houston Endowment with leadership provided by United Way of Greater Houston, Harris County Department of Education/CASE, Mayor’s Office of Education, Harris County Precinct 1 and Harris County Precinct 2 and the City of Houston’s Parks and Rec department. Out 2 Learn’s goal is to improve quality, access and connections for parents and providers of afterschool programs. HISD Foundation served as the fiscal agent for the grant.

The funded projects received a total of $150,000 from Out 2 Learn to benefit after school programming for youth from Austin High School and M.C. Williams Middle School. The Wraparound Specialists at M.C. Williams Middle School and Austin High School, Mr. Carlos Lairo and Ms. Marlen Rodriguez, led the effort of connecting community organizations to offer robust afterschool activities and professional development opportunities for campus staff.

Ms. Rodriguez from Austin High brought in Aurora Picture Show to teach animation, BakerRipley’s DiscoverYou program, Houston Center for Photography, the Maker to Inventor program from TXRX Labs, and Young Audiences Houston to provide several dance presentations.

“The greatest impact of the collaborative project this year has been in exposing students to new activities and networks that had not previously been available at Austin and encouraging more involvement in extracurricular activities on campus.”

- MARLEN RODRIGUEZ

DERRICK NGO

Derrick Ngo is a recent graduate from the Energy Institute High School heading to Harvard University with a full ride scholarship in the fall of 2019.

Derrick is one of six children and the first of his siblings to go to college. He attended 12 different schools between kindergarten and 8th grade, his mom was incarcerated, and he was often living alone.

The HISD Foundation received a $13 million dollars multi-year grant from the Houston Endowment that enabled students like Derrick access high quality college readiness programming. The grant also provides postsecondary access to programming in middle schools, college transition programming and support, and EMERGE expansion.

Because of the investment of Houston Endowment and the partnership with EMERGE, Derrick had access to high quality test prep, resume development training, college tours, and college advisors.

“Emerge changed my life, and I hope it will continue to change the lives of students from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds.”

- DERRICK NGO
INNOVATION FUND

BY THE NUMBERS

5,465
STUDENTS IMPACTED

26
SCHOOLS

$220,000
AWARDED

256
TEACHERS

1,480
PARENTS REACHED

HISD Foundation’s Innovation Fund provides teachers and schools with grants to develop innovative programs that make learning dynamic and engaging while preparing students for graduation and beyond.

FUNDING FOCUS

- Lead to inspire students, teachers, and parents to think differently about school
- Enhance the student experience and lead to improved academic outcomes
- Implement district initiatives in innovative ways
- Find new solutions to combat barriers of success for students

1. Students learning about coding on the Raspberry Pi
2. Austin High School student built a 3D printed mouthpiece for his trumpet
3. Baylor College of Medicine at Ryan students learning about healthy food choices
4. Berry Elementary student enjoying their school’s makerspace
5. Sharpstown students preparing for their garden
The Innovation Fund grants made all these possible:

**RECIPIENTS**

- Booker T. Washington High School
  STUDENT DESIGNED INTERACTIVE DRONE COMPETITION
- Bellaire High School fully funded by Alliantgroup
  WATER WORKS, A COMMUNITY AND GLOBAL WATER QUALITY PROJECT
- Stevens Elementary
  INCORPORATING STEM IN FASHION DESIGN
- Holland Middle School
  PERCUSSION IN THE DIGITAL AGE
- Baylor College of Medicine Academy at Ryan
  CAMP MED: A BRIDGE SUMMER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE
- Dogan Elementary School, fully funded by BP
  TRANSFORMING COMPUTER LAB TO STEM LAB
- Sharpstown High School and Sugar Grove Academy
  COMMUNITY GARDEN
- Berry Elementary School
  KINDERGARTEN MAKERSPACE
- Twain Elementary School
  AFTERSCHOOL CODING CLUB
- McReynolds Middle School
  ROBOTICS, LITERATURE & CODING PROJECT
- Attucks Middle School
  EXPANDED PARTICIPATION IN ROBOTICS CONTEST
- Sharpstown High School
  STORYTELLING PROJECT ON STUDENT DIVERSITY
- Baylor College of Medicine at Ryan
  INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT HEALTH OCCUPATIONS OPPORTUNITIES
- Energy Institute High School
  EXPANDED AUDIO ENGINEERING OPPORTUNITIES
- Harvard Elementary School
  LAUNCHED OUTDOOR WELLNESS PROGRAM
- Roosevelt Elementary School
  IMPLEMENTED FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM
- Horn Elementary School
  STEM LAB FOR STUDENT COLLABORATION
- Parker Elementary School
  OFFERED STUDENTS IMMERSIVE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE THROUGH TECHNOLOGY
- Sinclair Elementary School
  INTRODUCE PROGRAMMING TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS THROUGH RASPBERRY PI
- Austin High School
  MOBILE 3D PRINTING MAKERSPACE THAT SUPPORTS ENGINEERING
- Cook Elementary School
  ASSISTIVE TOOLS AND TRAINING FOR DYSLEXIC STUDENTS
- Durham Elementary School
  CREATED INNOVATIVE LEARNING SPACES
- Community Services K-12
  STEM-IN PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN ALTERNATIVE SETTINGS
**Financial Reports**

The HISD Foundation believes in transparency and committed to being fiscal responsible.

**Statement of Financial Position**

**Assets**
- Unrestricted Checking: $418,421
- Restricted Checking: $1,614,666
- Paypal: $11
- Pledges Receivable: $8,276,750
- Pledge Discount: $211,668
- Prepaid Expenses: $6,197
- Fixed Assets: $14,750

**Total Assets**: $10,119,127

**Liability & Equity**
- Accounts Payable: $260,319

**Total Liabilities**: $260,319

- Unrestricted Net Assets: $355,677
- Temporarily Restricted Net Assets: $550,825
- Opening Balance Equity: 0
- Retained Earnings: $14,517,555
- Net Income: $-5,555,248

**Total Equity**: $9,858,809

**Total Liability and Equity**: $10,119,127

**FY 19 Sources of Support**

- Foundations: $943,428
- Individuals: $81,369
- Other: $292,117
- Corporations: $638,326

**Total**: $1,955,240
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LOOKING AHEAD

WHOLE CHILD

Every student deserves to be healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged at school.

FUNDRAISING PRIORITY

Mental Health and Wellness Initiative
$1,000,000
- HISD Foundation will fund Social Work Manager to oversee UH Graduate Social Work students to provide counseling to neediest HISD campuses
- Series of deep dive trainings for HISD Wraparound Specialists, administrators, and educators on topics that include: crisis, trauma, abuse, and suicide prevention
- Yoga and mindfulness training through VYASA Houston, an organization dedicated to education, research, and services through yoga to promote health, happiness and peace in society
- Partnership with We-Wellbeing for Mental Health Conference
- Partnership with The Menninger Clinic on specialized training for parents and wraparound specialist. Access to consultation and both inpatient and outpatient services

Enhance Fine Arts Programming at 37 Campuses
$1,000,000
- Support 37 campuses with new fine arts program at the campus level by providing supplies and needed instruments and materials for general music and visual arts

Total 2019-2021 Investment
$2,000,000
As we wrap up our 25th anniversary, the HISD Foundation is proud to continue working to identify resources in the Houston community that will strengthen the outcomes of HISD. In return, our community’s most treasured asset, our youth, will be better prepared to take on the challenges and opportunities that lay ahead for our city. We are grateful to work alongside our many partners who believe in the value and importance of a quality public education for all.

The HISD Foundation is launching a three-year fundraising campaign to raise over $15 million dollars to ensure all students in HISD have access to high quality public education. We are committed to educating the whole child, expanding college and career opportunities for students, and providing resources for innovation in the classroom.

**COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS**

We must do more to help students on the path to the college and career of their choice.

**FUNDRAISING PRIORITY**

**College and Career Success**

$5,500,000

- Support HISD to fund a college and career success advisor at every high school campus. Key data show that advisors working one on one with students increased overall financial aid by 21% and doubled scholarships received.

- Provide Khan Academy platform to over 200,000 students in HISD with a personalized practice plus actionable data and support for teachers and administrators

**HISD EMERGE**

$5,500,000

- HISD Foundation working in partnership with the district and EMERGE will secure funding to sustain the EMERGE program in HISD. EMERGE prepares low income students to attend nation’s top colleges by providing a holistic, developmental college readiness curriculum.

**Improve Academic Rigor**

$500,000

- Fund additional campuses interested in International Baccalaureate, which prepares students to think critically and independently

**Scholarships**

$500,000

- HISD Foundation will raise funds to offer full ride scholarships, industry and subject specific scholarship and supplemental college funds to cover airfare dorm supplies, and books

**Total 2019-2021 Investment**

$11,700,000

**INNOVATION**

We must provide the resources that students and schools need to turn new ideas into reality

**FUNDRAISING**

**Innovation projects developed by schools and educators**

$500,000

While HISD is currently able to support select innovation projects across the district through general operating budgets, the HISD Foundation will expand these opportunities to more schools and more students. School groups and individual teachers will be invited to submit proposals for their most ambitious and innovative projects. A panel of community volunteers will select and fund projects based on a defined set of criteria.

**Total 2019-2021 Investment**

$500,000
MISSION
The Houston ISD Foundation is dedicated to mobilizing the local community in support of innovative priorities in HISD to improve outcomes for all students in the district.

VISION
The Houston community is invested in every child’s success and demonstrates this dedication by advocating for and funding critical initiatives in public education through HISD.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Friends,

The Houston Independent School District greatly values its partnership with the HISD Foundation and generous donors who have invested in the lives of our students over the past year. Their partnership and philanthropy has empowered HISD to make a difference in the lives of all of the students we serve.

The Foundation has provided support for the Strategic Vision of the district, helping fund initiatives, from innovative projects in the classroom to college and career readiness programs. Connecting the resources of our community, businesses, and government entities creates a ripple effect throughout our city and builds a network of strong and robust support for public education.

With our donors’ help, we are creating a more prosperous future - not just for today’s students, but for tomorrow’s students and our community’s future. When we pool our resources and work together, we create access to opportunity for an even greater number of our children.

DR. GRENITA LATHAN
INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT, HISD

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