



EDUCATORS FOR FAIR CONSIDERATION

*Empowering undocumented young people in their pursuit of college, career and citizenship*

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## **GRANTS AWARDED TO SUPPORT COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS**

*Year 2 of E4FC's "Invest in the Dream" initiative will offer matching funds to community-based scholarship providers in ten states*

**SAN FRANCISCO** – Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC), a San Francisco-based non-profit that empowers undocumented young people to pursue their dreams of college, career and citizenship in the United States, today announced that it will award a second round of matching grants to expand educational opportunities for undocumented immigrant students.

Through its "Invest in the Dream" initiative, E4FC will award \$250,000 to scholarship providers in ten states. The grantees include community foundations and other non-profit organizations that award scholarships or financial aid to undocumented students. Five of the organizations received "Invest in the Dream" grants last year, while five others are first-time recipients.

Each of the ten grantees has secured an equal amount of local funds from other sources to match the E4FC grant. Grantees will use these funds to support undocumented students attending accredited, non-profit, two-year and four-year colleges and universities in the United States.

Grantees and grant amounts are:

### **Berks County Community Foundation**

Reading, Pennsylvania

<https://bccf.org>

\$10,000

### **College Now Greater Cleveland**

Cleveland, Ohio

[www.collegenowgc.org](http://www.collegenowgc.org)

\$30,000

### **Equal Chance for Education\***

Nashville, Tennessee

[www.equalchanceforeducation.com](http://www.equalchanceforeducation.com)

\$30,000

### **Golden Door Scholars\***

Fort Mill, South Carolina

[www.goldendoorscholars.org](http://www.goldendoorscholars.org)

\$35,000

### **Heritage Fund - The Community Foundation of Bartholomew County\***

Columbus, Indiana

[www.heritagefundbc.org](http://www.heritagefundbc.org)

\$25,000

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**Isac Amaya Foundation**

Phoenix, Arizona

<http://isacamayafoundation.org>

\$15,000

**The Oregon Community Foundation**

Portland, Oregon

[www.oregoncf.org](http://www.oregoncf.org)

\$30,000

**Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis\***

St. Louis, Missouri

[www.sfstl.org](http://www.sfstl.org)

\$35,000

**Tulsa Community Foundation\***

Tulsa, Oklahoma

[www.tulsacf.org](http://www.tulsacf.org)

\$20,000

**U-Lead Athens**

Athens, Georgia

<http://uleadathens.org>

\$20,000

(\*Renewal grantees)

Katharine Gin, co-founder and Executive Director of E4FC, said, *“Given continuing anti-immigrant sentiment across the country, we are excited to partner with this committed group of scholarship providers, most of which are located in states with policies that discourage immigrant integration, including restrictions on in-state tuition and public financial aid. These scholarship providers understand the enormous challenges that undocumented students face, recognize the tremendous potential they represent, and will use our grants to leverage additional support for undocumented students.”*

“Invest in the Dream” is a pilot initiative funded by the Heising-Simons Foundation. E4FC will determine whether to extend the program for a third year after assessing its early results.

**About Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC):**

Founded in 2006, Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC) empowers undocumented young people to pursue their dreams of college, career, and citizenship in the United States. We address the holistic needs of undocumented young people through direct support, leadership and career development, community outreach and education, and advocacy. Our programming is designed by and for undocumented young people with support from committed allies. We are a fiscally-sponsored project of Community Initiatives.

For more information on the “Invest in the Dream” initiative, visit <http://e4fc.org/investinthedream.html>.

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