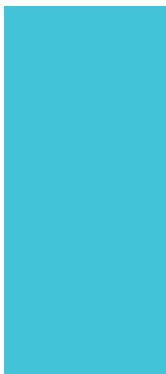




Success Foundation's 2025 Annual Report



A message from leadership

As we reflect on 2025, we’re energized by what’s possible when a community shows up for its students. The Success Foundation continues to be driven by a simple but powerful purpose: expanding opportunities, removing barriers, and making sure students and educators across Greeley-Evans School District 6 have the resources they need to succeed.

This year, that commitment showed up in inspiring ways across our schools. By funding and sustaining meaningful initiatives that are detailed in this report, we’re helping create learning environments where students can explore, grow, and see a future full of possibility. Thanks to the generosity of our donors and partners, we’re able to stay flexible, respond to real needs, and invest where it truly makes a difference.

Just as important as the work itself are the moments we come together to celebrate. Recognizing outstanding educators through our Success in 6 Awards remains one of our favorite traditions, and our annual breakfast continues to bring our community together around a shared commitment to students. Our partnership with District 6 for the Community Kickoff Celebration is another highlight, setting the tone each year by helping students and families start strong, connected, and ready.

This work doesn’t happen without you. Your support, your belief, and your willingness to be part of something bigger are what make our impact possible. Together, we’re not just supporting schools—we’re building momentum, creating opportunity, and shaping a stronger future for every student we serve.

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Our Vision

To enhance the success of District 6 students and educators by encouraging, enriching, & investing in strategic initiatives.

Our Mission

To build a strong and healthy community by bringing resources together in support of PK-12 education.

Our Methods

- Strong Partnerships
- Progressive Planning
- Diverse Collaboration
- Financial Support
- Advocate for District 6

A Success Story: A Journey in Music

Meet Lily, a student from Greeley Central.

Lily loves music, but she admits she had been losing her connection to it. She tried instrument after instrument, searching for something that truly sparked her interest, but nothing quite clicked.

Her journey back to music began when she was encouraged to play the bass clarinet. The instrument she received, however, wasn’t in great shape.

“When I first picked up that old, cracked bass clarinet, it was far from perfect. It had leaks. It struggled to hit high notes.”

Learning to play it wasn’t easy. Lily pushed through frustration and kept practicing, but the instrument itself held her back. At times, she even considered giving up or switching instruments. Still, as she describes it, something kept pulling her back to the clarinet.

Not long after, she received some exciting news: the Success Foundation had provided two new bass clarinets. Lily rushed to the band room to see them.

“When I assembled it... I felt something shift. It wasn’t just about the instrument anymore. It was about potential. For the first time, I could clearly hear what I was capable of. The limits I thought I had weren’t my limits at all, they were the older instruments.”

Lily’s story is just one example of impact. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, 355 new instruments have made their way into classrooms, helping students like Lily rediscover their passion and continue their musical journey.



Program Highlights

Career Exploration & Development

From funding student kits for CTE programs in welding, cosmetology, and electrical construction, to expanding internship opportunities, our community is making hands-on career exploration more accessible. We're also continuing to invest in early exposure through our SmartLabs, helping students start building skills and discovering interests earlier.



Fuel for learning: The Pantry

We're proud to partner with Nutrition Services in operating 33 school food pantries, helping ensure students and families have consistent access to nutritious food. This work is made possible by our donors, whose generosity keeps pantry shelves stocked with essential, shelf-stable items. Community support has also allowed for the expansion of food reclamation efforts. Through investment in improved packaging equipment, school kitchens can safely recover and redistribute healthy food that would otherwise go to waste.

Delia and John W. Haefeli Opportunity Fund

In 2025, the fund provided \$35,701 in direct support to students across Greeley-Evans schools, helping remove financial barriers and expand access to meaningful opportunities. Funding supported a wide range of needs, including home internet access, participation in dance and extracurricular programs, and engagement in leadership and career exploration experiences.



STEM Learning for All

We continue to support STEM learning across the district through the ongoing growth and evolution of SmartLab programming. These hands-on learning environments help students build creativity, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills. Donor support is also expanding district-wide robotics programs, along with gifts directed to specific schools to strengthen STEM opportunities. Together, these investments are helping students explore interests, build confidence, and develop skills for future success.

Innovative Learning Grants

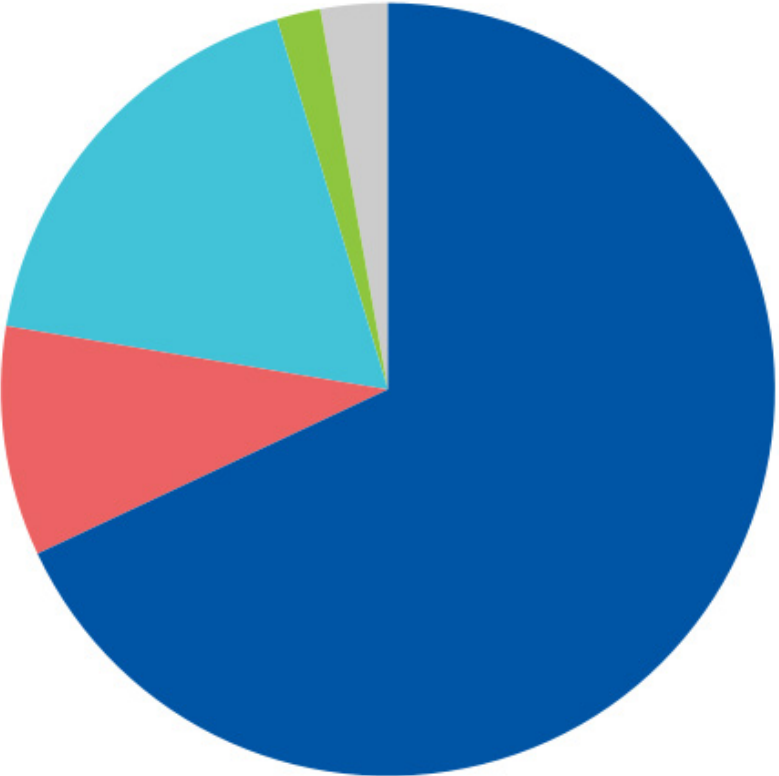
In 2025, our Innovative Learning Grants helped bring creative ideas to life, with \$35,681 awarded across two cycles. Teachers and staff used these funds to create meaningful experiences for students, supporting projects in the arts, literacy, inclusive sports, and hands-on learning. From "drawing with fire" through pyrography to producing a spring musical, these grants enriched learning and inspired student engagement.



Athletes of Tomorrow

We're proud to support after-school elementary athletics programs for 4th and 5th grade students, with more than 1,500 students participating in 2025. These programs help students build skills, confidence, teamwork, and perseverance while forming meaningful friendships and a sense of belonging. This early exposure is a key step in building a connected K-12 athletics system, introducing students to sports early and creating a clear path for continued participation and development through middle and high school.

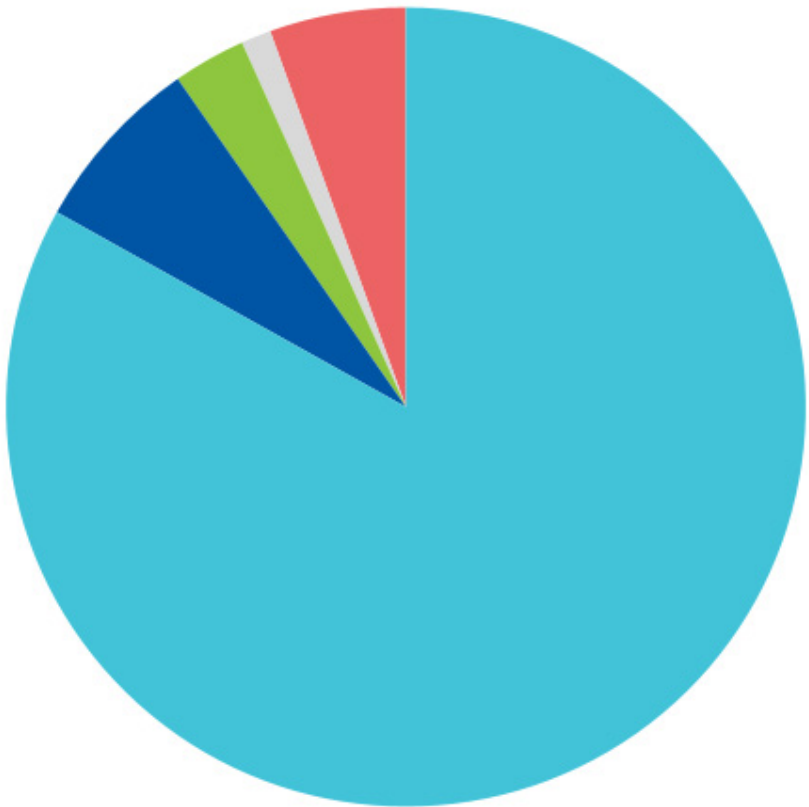
Revenue



- Designated Gifts/Grants- \$977,233.00
- Sponsorship- \$138,161.00
- Individual/Corporate Gifts- \$254,832.38
- Employee Giving Campaign- \$26,249.00
- Investment Earnings/Other Income- \$40,292.32

Total= \$1,436,767.70

Expenses



- Designated Gifts/Grants- \$1,255,441.51
- Payroll- \$109,142.73
- Operations- \$44,429.66
- Fundraising/Event Expenses- \$18,355.19
- Other Projects- \$83,265.91

Total=\$1,510,635

Donor Restricted funds to be paid out - \$135,761.64

Prior Donor Restricted fund expenses + \$361,037.30

Net Income \$151,408.36

Thank you to our Donors

Our donors are engaged individuals who care to see the Greeley-Evans Community thrive. In 2025, the Success Foundation received support from numerous individuals, businesses and organizations. Some of our donors have asked to remain anonymous and in honoring their wishes, are not listed in this report. We thank all donors for making a positive impact on the lives of our students.



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Looking to Volunteer?

The Success Foundation has many volunteer opportunities ranging in time commitment. So whether you've got a little time to spare, or a lot, we've got a place for you. Take a look at some of the opportunities below.

Opportunities include:

- Board of Directors
- Finance Committee
- Governance Committee
- Marketing Committee
- Idea to Action Committee
- Resource Development Committee
- Special Events Task Force

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