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# SPANISH EDUCATION FUND

2018-2019 ANNUAL REPORT













## **MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR**

#### TONI AI CANTAR

I am pleased to present to you the 2018-2019 SEF Annual Report outlining our financial and program statistics for the past fiscal year. We are purposeful in providing you, our stakeholders, a thorough overview of the program to review. Please contact me should you have any questions about the annual report or the intern program.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind families that the SEF Intern Program is 100% parent funded. The SEF does not receive any monetary support from the school district or schools. Our primary source of funding is through our Annual Contribution Campaign, when families are encouraged to make their contributions in the fall at Open House or online.

We had an awesome year with 12 amazing interns! I would like to personally thank our generous families who support the SEF and the International Intern Program each year by volunteering to drive, hosting an intern, being a buddy family, donating time to a committee, and to those of you who donate financially. Without your dedication and support, we could not have one of the largest and most successful intern programs enhancing the immersion education of all our children. An investment well worth the costs!

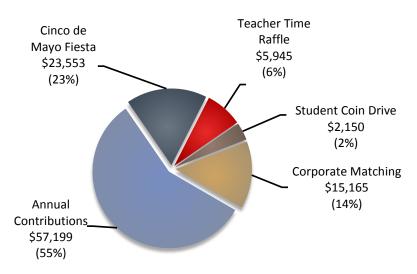
Toni Alcantar
2018-2019 SEF Chair

## EXPANDING OUR CHILDREN'S WORLD

## 2018-2019 FINANCIAL

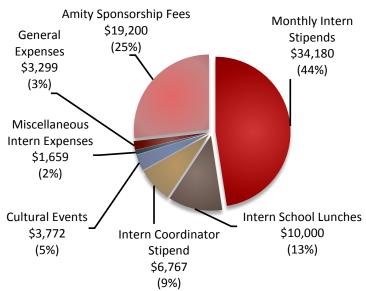
### HIGHLIGHTS REVENUE

The SEF raised \$104.047 this past school year primarily through the Annual Contributions Campaign, Corporate Matching, and the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta. The rest was raised through our smaller fundraisers; Teacher Time Raffle and the Student Coin Drive.



#### **EXPENSES**

SEF expenses include both Intern Program Expenses and General Expenses. Intern Program Expenses accounted for \$75,578 of the budget, while \$3,299 paid for General Expenses which included photocopies, postage, supplies, web site, fidelity bond, PayPal/credit card fees, and miscellaneous expenses. (Note: only 12 interns for '18-'19)



# EMPLOYER MATCHING AND WORKPLACE-BASED DONATIONS

Many companies match their employees' donations, doubling the gift. We are thankful for the matching donations these companies contributed to the SEF recently:

- Ameriprise
- AT&T
- Best Buy
- Cargill
- GF
- General Mills
- Honeywell
- Horn Enterprises
- Liberty Mutual Insurance Group
- Margaret Cargill Foundation
- Medtronic
- PJ Minnesota LLC
- Red Wing Shoes
- TCF
- UnitedHealth Group
- U.S. Bank
- Wells Fargo

Some families also supported the SEF through workplace-based giving campaigns organized by the United Way, PAC, Community Shares, Benevity Community Impact Fund, Truist, Network for Good, YourCause, University of Minnesota, Give with Liberty, Best Buy Charitable Trust, Honeywell International Charity Matching and W.R. Grace Foundation, Inc.

Overall, the SEF received \$15,165 in matching and workplace-based donations. That alone helps cover the costs of 3 interns!

We thank the companies and employees who made these matching donations possible!

## THANK YOU, DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS!

THE INTERNATIONAL INTERN PROGRAM WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE GENEROSITY AND COMMITMENT OF SO MANY PEOPLE. YOUR SUPPORT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT.







#### PROGRAM SUPPORT

The success of the SEF depends upon volunteers and donors. There are many ways to support the SEF and its intern program:

- Make your Annual Contribution
- Host an intern
- Be a buddy family
- Help with intern transportation
- Donate winter clothing for interns
- Join the SEF Board or a committee
- Help plan the next Cinco de Mayo Fiesta

To learn more about how you can help, go to www.spanisheducationfund.org.

#### BY THE NUMBERS

- **97** people were on the transportation email list, driving interns to the mall and other places.
- 24 families were buddy families.
- 14 families hosted interns.
- **12** full year interns from 3 countries assisted in classrooms at EHSI, CMS and EPHS.
- **15** people on the Intern Committee recruited host and buddy families, interviewed interns, arranged intern transportation, collected winter clothing and managed a million other details.
- **9** people served on the SEF Board.
- **10** people volunteered on the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta committee planning our annual year-end celebration.

#### SECONDARY LEVEL

This past school year, SEF interns again assisted teachers and students at CMS and EPHS to continue the positive impact of native Spanish speakers on immersion students at the secondary level.

CMS and EPHS each had one intern this school year. Valentina Canal from Colombia assisted in CMS Spanish Language and Cultures class. Andrés Marcos from Spain assisted the teachers of immersion at EPHS in their classes. He assisted with 9th-12th grade classes.

Valentina and Andrés taught students about their countries' cultures through presentations, games, and dance. They brought to the students' attention topics of high interest to engage the students and used their knowledge of their own culture to compare with what the students are interested in as teens and young adults. Strong connections were made and they made Spanish come to life.