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2018 FOUNDATION REVIEW

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Bob Fletcher
President & CEO

Dear Friends,

This annual review once again gives me the great joy of celebrating your ongoing support of United Methodist students. In 2018, your generosity allowed the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF) to award over \$2.3 million in scholarships. These funds helped 1,040 students attend United Methodist-related colleges, universities, and seminaries.

In addition to scholarships, your gifts also allowed students to stay connected to the church during their education, minimize or eliminate educational debt, and study in faith-based communities as they discerned callings of service and leadership within The United Methodist Church.

As you read the notes of gratitude from a few UMHEF scholarship recipients found within this report, join me in giving thanks for the reach of your generosity shown in the figures. You are a vital part of our community of donors that makes an amazing difference in the lives of many.

Thank you for supporting United Methodist students and being a part of the amazing UMHEF family.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Fletcher". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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NAMED ENDOWED PROGRAM

\$404,719 to 239 Students

UMHEF's Named Endowed program manages and distributes over 120 named funds established by various donors. These scholarship funds are often created in memory of a person or are an ongoing legacy created with estate plans.

UM LEADERSHIP SCHOLARS

\$20,000 to 2 Students

UMLS supports eligible students with the mission of fostering leadership within the United Methodist Church.

FOUNDATION MERIT

\$220,000 to 100 Students

UMHEF distributes Foundation Merit Scholarships to eligible students selected by their schools.



PORT

UM DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS PROGRAM

\$1,713,000 to 699 Students

This unique scholarship program starts with a \$1,000 scholarship gift from a student's local church. UMHEF matches, raising the award to \$2,000. Participating United Methodist schools of higher education may also award, bringing the scholarship to \$3,000. Lastly, participating UM Conference Foundations may provide matching funds, bringing the scholarship up to a \$4,000 award.



SCHOLARSHIP BREAKDOWN:

- > 312 QUADRUPLE SCHOLARSHIPS
- > 336 TRIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS
- > 51 DOUBLE SCHOLARSHIPS



WHO PARTICIPATED:

- > 531 UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
- > 699 STUDENTS
- > 20 UM CONFERENCE FOUNDATIONS
- > 83 UNITED METHODIST-RELATED SCHOOLS



2018 *GIVING & DISTRIBUTION*

UMHEF ASSETS

\$49,721,050

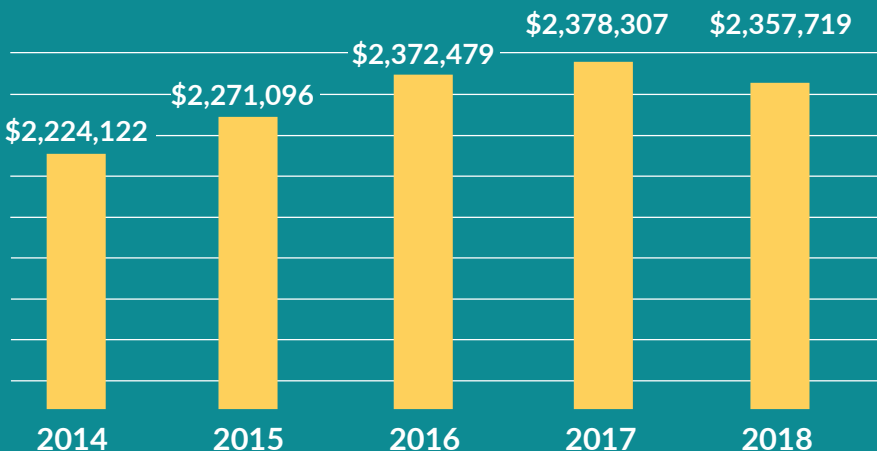
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS RAISED

\$ 1,346,376

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS
DISTRIBUTED

776 to Undergraduates
255 to Seminarians
9 to Other Students

SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTION OVER THE YEARS



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Jesse brings a strong commitment to education, having served on the AZ State Board of Education, with the AZ Department of Education, and with many other civic and religious organizations.



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Vicky is a third-generation UM pastor and has served as Director of Connectional Ministries in the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference of The UMC since July 2015.



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Boulder, CO

Sherron comes to the UMHEF Board with a long career in higher education, having taught many years at Westark College (now University of AR, Fort Smith).



LORENE WILBUR

Timouth, VT

Lorene has served The UMC in many official capacities. She is currently serving her second quadrennium as the New England Conference lay leader and is a delegate to General Conference.

GIVING THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Your support of United Methodist students through UMHEF scholarships really does secure a solid foundation for the future of the church, our communities, and the world. That's giving that makes a difference. Meet some of UMHEF's scholars and read about how your support has directly impacted their lives.



ANNIE KATE

Emory and Henry College

Annie Kate graduated this May with a B.A. in Civic Innovation with a Minor in Religion from Emory and Henry College. In 2020, she will serve as a Resident in Mission through World Methodist Evangelism in New Zealand.

"I would like to sincerely thank the UMHEF for the scholarship support that has been provided to me during my time in school. I am so grateful and very excited to start this new chapter of my life!"



DARALYN

Dillard University

This May, Daralyn graduated as the first female physics major from Dillard University. She plans to pursue a Doctorate and begin a career as a Biomedical Engineer.

"Thank you to all of the UMHEF donors for believing and having faith in me, and contributing to the success of my education."



CALEB

Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University

Caleb is pursuing a Master of Divinity and a calling into ordained ministry. He also works part-time in youth ministry at Grace United Methodist Church in Dallas. UMHEF scholarships also helped Caleb attend Southwestern University for his undergraduate studies.

"With your help, I have been able to take care of seminary expenses and reduce stress concerning potential school debt. This is helping me succeed both in my classroom and in my ministry."

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