



PORTLAND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Annual Report 2015-2016

Our Mission

Portland Education Foundation, a private not-for-profit corporation, is committed to raising philanthropic support to enhance educational opportunities for present and future students in Portland's public schools. PEF's goals are Educational Enrichment, Classroom Innovation and Community Engagement.

PEF Teacher Grant funding enabled the Peaks Island Elementary School to welcome the Museum of African Culture as part of a mask making unit.

From the Director

Not too long ago, a group of community leaders came together to recommend ways to diversify and expand revenue sources in support of Portland's public schools. Portland Education Foundation (PEF) was born of that work.

PEF is here to garner support for public education from individuals, businesses and foundations. We seek support that may not otherwise be forthcoming.

We know that our community values strong public schools. We also know that so often it's the targeted investments in innovation, opportunity, or an experience that sparks interest, excitement and learning.

Portland is such a wonderful city to call home. Among the myriad assets, we have extraordinary public schools that educate an inspiring student body and knit together communities and generations.

Thank you to the many individuals, businesses and foundations that have supported PEF during our first year. Your support enables targeted investments that make a positive difference.

Kate Snyder, Executive Director



PEF Programs

Culture Club-Portland

Culture Club-Portland is a unique relationship between Portland Stage, Portland Ovation, Portland Symphony Orchestra, Portland Museum of Art, Portland Public Schools and PEF. The goal of the program is to provide access to world class arts programming every year, for every student in Portland's public schools. Culture Club-Portland is entering its fifth year. To date, Portland Public Schools has benefited from four years of private philanthropic investment totaling \$650,000.



FY16 Investment:

\$200,000

PEF Teacher Grants Program

PEF's Teacher Grants Program makes investments directly at the point of teaching and learning. PEF Teacher Grants empower teachers to expand and deepen learning for their students by providing funds needed to invest in supplies, technology, field trips, guest speakers, and other resources that are not funded in the annual operating budget.

FY16 Investment:

\$33,000

Casco Bay High School - \$1,600
Deering High School - \$4,550
PATHS - \$2,100
Portland High School - \$500
King Middle School - \$2,105
Lincoln Middle School - \$3,950
Lyman Moore Middle School - \$1,738
East End Community School - \$1,300
Hall School - \$2,000
Longfellow School - \$1,000
Lyseth School - \$3,465
Peaks Island School - \$300
Presumpscot School - \$1,128
Reiche Community School - \$6,261
Riverton Community School - \$1,000

Message from The Superintendent

Community investment in public education is important and appreciated. It's often what supports an educator's ambition to go beyond, innovate, and enhance learning experiences for students. In my brief time here, I have been impressed with the level of this community's commitment to supporting its public schools.

I look forward to serving as a board member of the Portland Education Foundation; a nonprofit education foundation dedicated to generating community philanthropic support for Portland's public schools.

I believe that the investments in the PEF Teacher Grants Program, Culture Club-Portland, and several other initiatives over the past year have made significant and positive impacts for both students and teachers. I look forward to working with my board colleagues and all of the Portland community to build on these successes.

Xavier Botana, Superintendent of Schools

FY16 Income and Expenses

INCOME

Designated Contributions	\$276,088
Unrestricted Contributions	\$40,942
INCOME SUBTOTAL	\$317,030

In Kind Contributions	\$11,800
IN KIND SUBTOTAL	\$328,830

EXPENDITURES

PEF Teacher Grants Program	\$33,000
Culture Club-Portland	\$200,000
Family Learning Guides	\$17,000
PEF Teacher Planning Grant	\$2,500
PEF Competition Grants	\$3,000
EXPENDITURES SUBTOTAL	\$255,500

ADMINISTRATIVE

Operation and Management	\$13,353
In Kind Contributions	\$11,800
ADMINISTRATIVE SUBTOTAL	\$25,153
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$280,653

Many thanks to our FY 16 Donors

Individuals

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Portland Public Library
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Rosemont Market
Alison & Steve Andreasen
Portland Sea Dogs



Message from the President

I am pleased and proud to present the Portland Education Foundation's (PEF) inaugural Annual Report. More than 100 household donors – in addition to foundations and businesses - have supported Portland Public Schools' (PPS) students and teachers with gifts to the Foundation this year. We are deeply grateful to every donor who helped support the Foundation's mission to enhance educational opportunities for present and future students in Portland's public schools.

FY16 can best be described as a year of building and growth. Since reorganizing and reconstituting our Board of Directors in partnership with PPS, we have hired our first staff member: Executive Director Kate Snyder. In addition to a significant amount of work that took place behind the scenes on our policies and procedures, PEF was out in the community raising awareness and seeking philanthropic support for our signature programs – the PEF Teacher Grants Program and Culture Club-Portland - as well as working closely with the school district to identify new areas where PEF support could make an impact.

In 2015-16, through our Teacher Grants program we awarded \$33,000 to support teacher-led classroom innovations to enhance learning experiences for students in PPS. The program, which draws applications from every school in the district, recognizes, rewards and supports teachers' work to inspire students and improve learning outcomes.

Through PEF's Culture Club-Portland collaboration, an anonymous donor provided funding for every student in Portland Public Schools to visit the Portland Museum of Art and experience performances by Portland Stage, Portland Ovarions and the Portland Symphony Orchestra. This investment makes possible the opportunity for all students to access Portland's world-class arts.

None of this success could have been achieved without the vision and dedication of those in our community who recognized the need for sustained private support for our public schools in Portland. I would like to recognize my fellow Board members for their wisdom, experience and commitment. I especially want to thank Kate Snyder for her superb leadership and tireless energy which has set us on a course to achieve much in the coming years.

With gratitude,

Mary Bennett

President, Portland Education Foundation

PEF in the Community

PEF has been out in the community meeting people and spreading the word about our mission. Many thanks to our house party hosts, all those who attended our Meet & Greet, to the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce for featuring PEF at Eggs & Issues, and the Sea Dogs for featuring PEF as a community partners at a game at Hadlock.



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PEF Staff

Kate Snyder

PPS Liaison to PEF

Chanda Turner

PEF would like to thank 2015-16 Interim Superintendent Jeanne Crocker for her work as a PEF Board Member. We are grateful for her commitment to the mission, and her critical support in year one.

Thank you!



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Make a difference with your donation. Please give to the Portland Education Foundation.

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