



# Portland Education Foundation

ANNUAL REPORT  
2017–2018

## Vision

Our vision is to strengthen Portland Public Schools through community investments.

## Mission

Our mission is to raise philanthropic support to enhance educational opportunities for present and future students in Portland's public schools.



# PEF becomes the Foundation for Portland Public Schools!

The Foundation's Board of Directors, along with Portland Public Schools (PPS), is pleased to announce the transition of our organization's name to the Foundation for Portland Public Schools. We believe this name change better articulates our alignment with PPS and our work to generate philanthropic support for PPS programming.

We are also happy to report that after three years of establishing our presence while cultivating and making investments in PPS, the Foundation Board has adopted a three year Strategic Plan (FY19–FY21) that will guide our growth, sustainability, and communications.

Portland is our beloved city for so many reasons! We deeply appreciate our community's generous support for the public school system that anchors, inspires, and invests in both our youth and adults.

Mary Bennett & Kate Snyder  
*Board President & Executive Director*



Mary Bennett



Kate Snyder



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**PORTLAND**  
**PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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# About Us

The Foundation for Portland Public Schools is an independent nonprofit organization committed to generating philanthropic and community support for Portland Public Schools.

We believe that revenue diversification is more important than ever as our school system faces declining state revenues and competing priorities for local funds. We also believe that, like private schools and even public universities, we can generate meaningful support for education through coordinated and aligned fundraising efforts with Portland Public Schools. In fact, we know we can!

Thank you to the network of community members who are helping to build a legacy of giving in support of Portland Public Schools.

## 2017–2018 BUDGET AT A GLANCE

### INCOME

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Restricted            | \$359,921        |
| Unrestricted          | \$50,903         |
| <b>Subtotal</b>       | <b>\$410,824</b> |
| In Kind Contributions | \$42,889         |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>  | <b>\$453,713</b> |

### EXPENSES

#### INVESTMENTS IN PPS

|                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 2017 Teacher Grants               | \$74,000         |
| Culture Club–Portland             | \$175,000        |
| Summer Innovation Grants          | \$15,000         |
| Maine Audubon Grants              | \$10,000         |
| PreK-5 Literacy Resources         | \$50,000         |
| PPS Middle School Summer Academy  | \$24,615         |
| PPS Families in Crisis Fund       | \$6,500          |
| Support for PPS Hourly Applicants | \$630            |
| <b>Investments Subtotal</b>       | <b>\$355,745</b> |

#### ADMINISTRATIVE

|                                |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Operations & Management        | \$15,235         |
| Gifts In Kind                  | \$42,889         |
| <b>Administrative Subtotal</b> | <b>\$58,124</b>  |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>          | <b>\$413,869</b> |

## Message from the Superintendent

I continue to be impressed with Portland's commitment to quality public schools. One of the best examples of that commitment is the work of the Foundation. The Foundation Board understands what the Portland Public Schools need to succeed and works tirelessly to bring resources to support our work and spread the news about the good things happening in Portland Public Schools. Working with me and my team, the Foundation has made tremendous contributions this year and is poised to become even stronger as an organization and valuable PPS partner in coming years.

Xavier Botana  
*Superintendent of Portland Public Schools*



## MANY THANKS to Unum for their continued generosity in support of Portland Public Schools



### In FY18 Unum made the following DIRECT INVESTMENTS to the Foundation

Financial Support for PPS Middle School Summer Academy

1:1 Matches to Employee Gifts

Contribution to the Annetta Weatherhead Fund for Reiche School

Corporate Sponsor for the 2018 Spring for Teachers Event

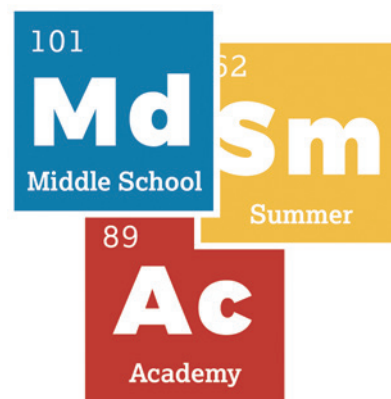
### Unum also donated GIFTS IN KIND to the Foundation

Printing of Portland Public Schools Comprehensive Plan—

The Portland Promise

Conference Room Furniture

Sea Dogs Box for Spring for Teachers Raffle



# Foundation

## Portland Education Foundation Fund established at Maine Community Foundation \$20,000

**A special thanks** to Pam Cleghorn for establishing this fund that will provide ongoing annual support to Portland Public Schools.

To learn more about or to contribute to the fund, contact Kate Snyder.



## Culture Club–Portland \$175,000

**Thank you** to the Culture Club–Portland founding anonymous donor for the vision and belief that every public school student in Portland will benefit from consistent arts programming that integrates with curriculum. And, thank you to the Old Bug Light Foundation, the Ensign Bickford Foundation, and the Karina Foundation for generously supporting professional arts programming for students in Portland Public Schools.

PPS is grateful to partner with Portland Stage, Portland Ovarions, Portland Museum of Art, and the Portland Symphony Orchestra.





MANY THANKS to L.L. Bean for their continued generosity in support of Portland Public Schools

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**In FY18 L.L. Bean made the following DIRECT INVESTMENTS to the Foundation**

Financial Support for 2018 PEF Teacher Grants Program

**L.L. Bean also donated GIFTS IN KIND to the Foundation**

2 Kayaks for Spring for Teachers Raffle

100 Backpacks for Middle and High School Students

1,000 Scholastic Books



Jane Wellehan, teacher, Portland High School

# Investments

## Annetta Weatherhead Fund established for Reiche School \$15,000

**Thank you** to Catherine and Todd Alexander, and their family, for creating the Annetta Weatherhead Fund for Reiche School to be used to support Reiche Math Team students who wish to attend the Maine School for Math & Science Summer Camp, and for discretionary school needs.



## PPS Families in Crisis \$6,000

**Thank you** to the Bank of America Foundation and Androscoggin Bank Main Street Foundation for their support of basic needs for families in crisis.

This fund aims to keep children in school during trying times by helping families who find themselves in need of help with temporary housing, transportation, food, and basic necessities.

**Bank of America**



# MANY THANKS to The Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation for their generous \$50,000 grant to invest in books and literacy resources for PPS Grades PreK–5

This \$50,000 investment addresses a critical need for books and literacy resources, helps to build collections that honor and celebrate culture and language differences, and catalyzes a district-wide approach to assessing book and literacy assets and needs across all district elementary schools.



New books for students and families to enjoy

## FOUNDATION INVESTMENTS continued...

### 2017–2018 Grant Programming \$99,000

The Foundation for Portland Public Schools supports and administers grants programs directly to PPS teachers. Grants support teachers and students by investing in innovation, engagement, and enrichment.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Teacher Grants           | \$74,000 |
| Summer Innovation Grants | \$15,000 |
| Maine Audubon Grants     | \$10,000 |



**Thank you** to the myriad donors who support investments that are made available to teachers through our grant programming.



# Many Thanks to Our Generous Donors

## INDIVIDUAL DONORS

### \$10,000

Catherine & Todd Alexander

### \$1,000 – \$2,499

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### \$25,000 and up

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UNUM

### \$5,000 – \$10,000

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Maine Audubon

### \$2,500

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Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation  
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The Press Hotel  
University of Southern Maine  
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*Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this report. Call the Foundation office at 207-842-4658 with any omissions or corrections, and please accept our sincere apologies.*



# Spring for Teachers 2018

On May 7th we gathered to celebrate Portland Public Schools and the Teacher Grants Program that supports teacher-led innovations, enhancements, projects, and enrichment. It was a beautiful spring evening, made even more so by the attendance of so many generous and engaged community members who are passionate about public education in Portland.

**Thank you for helping us raise over \$20,000 for Fall 2018 Teacher Grants!**

## Many thanks to:

- Bunker Brewing for hosting the event
- El Rayo Taqueria for a beautiful and delicious spread
- Blue and Kevin Butterfield for sharing their story
- Derek Pierce for MCing the evening
- Jane Wellehan and Talya Edlund, teachers, for telling us about the impacts of grant funding
- Rebecca Lynch-Nichols, Jill Irving, and Louis-Pierre Lachapelle, teachers, for sharing student work
- Jayne Sawtelle, teacher, and the many students who shared their musical talents
- Lorie Dana, Leah MacLeod, Pam Cummings, Ed Bryan, Sarah Moran and Jeanne Swanton for tireless planning and execution
- And finally, our many generous sponsors



Kevin and Blue Butterfield



Sarah Moran, Lorie and Tod Dana



**The Foundation for Portland Public Schools Welcomes Your Support!**

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