



FULCRUM NEWS

Fulcrum Foundation's Newsletter | SPECIAL EDITION: Community Report Digest 2022

Welcome to a very special edition of Fulcrum News— a condensed version of the Fulcrum Foundation Community Report! Every year, we take a moment to thank our generous supporters for their remarkable generosity and to look back at all we have accomplished with their help.



A Letter From Our Leadership

Dear Friends of Fulcrum,

Wow! This year, Fulcrum celebrated its 20-year anniversary! It's almost hard to believe how much we have accomplished together during that time. We increased access to Catholic education for families who needed it most, we strengthened and supported leaders in and out of the classroom, and we helped Catholic schools keep their doors open through difficult times.

Saying thank you does not even begin to express the gratitude in our hearts for everyone who has been a part of this incredible journey. The dedication and commitment of our Catholic community has been nothing short of

remarkable and it has been an absolute honor to partner in this life-changing work with you.

Many of our supporters have been with us since the very beginning and invested time, talent, and treasure to get Fulcrum off the ground. Others then joined to carry the new mission forward while shaping and molding our programs to what they are now. Our donors believed in our work, and time and time again said yes. Each of you is part of Fulcrum's success—YOU are the reason this work is possible. Congratulations to all on this milestone anniversary!

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Pivoting to this year, the outpouring of love and support for Catholic education continued to inspire. We saw record-breaking fundraising at the 20th Anniversary Celebration of Light at T-Mobile Park and an astonishing \$87.4 million total for the close of the seven-year Uplift capital campaign. We also saw moments of transformational giving from donors like Dick Abrams and Ty Scheumann, whose belief that the power of Catholic education changes lives will impact countless children in the years to come. They, along with all of you, continued our momentum into the future. What an amazing ride it was!

As Fulcrum's board wraps up its two-year strategic planning effort this fall, our focus is now on the future and dreaming about what Fulcrum can accomplish in the next 20 years. We know that there is more work to be done, that there are still more children and families who need our help to receive the gift of a Catholic education. We are ready to accept this challenge. We know that with the strength of this faith-filled community behind us, Fulcrum will rise to greet whatever opportunities come our way. Thank you for walking with us and for all you have done to get us here.

God Bless,



Tony Audino
Chair of the Board



Vivian K. Shannon
Executive Director

Looking for more?

Read the full Community Report with more photos from the past year and updates about all our programs, including the Early Childhood Education Program and the Becraft Scholars Program. Discover quotes of thanks from donors to the teachers, staff, and individuals who have made an impact on Catholic education in Western Washington.

Download the report at FulcrumFoundation.org



"With all that is going on in our world, it can be difficult to live our faith each and every day. By choosing to support Fulcrum's work, you are uplifting students and allowing them to receive the blessing of a faith-filled education. You are helping Catholic schools grow and thrive, so that they may continue to serve their communities."

—Most Rev. Paul D. Etienne, D.D., S.T.L.
Archbishop of Seattle



SINCE 2002

Total number of donors: 9,085

Total number of gifts: 48,288

community

The Fulcrum Foundation believes in the dream of Catholic education. Over the past 20 years, the generous and selfless contributions of our community have made this dream a reality for so many students and families in need. We could not have succeeded in this incredible mission without your support. The

time, talent, and financial gifts you have given has made a world of difference for Catholic schools and students in Western Washington.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us get this far. We could not have done it without you.

Program Highlights of the 2021/22 Academic Year

SUPPORTING STUDENTS

\$2,337,000

awarded in tuition assistance across all programs

SUPPORTING SCHOOLS

\$4,148,000

awarded in school aid

SUPPORTING EDUCATORS

\$135,000

awarded in leadership support

\$38,642 was the median income of a family receiving a TAP grant

76% of TAP recipients were self-identified students of color

1,948 grants provided across all tuition assistance program

\$1,934,883 in School Partnership Grant Program funding was requested

65% of total School Partnership Grant Program dollars requested were funded

100% of schools that applied were awarded grants

17 schools funded through the Building Diversity and Inclusion Grant Program

7 Educational Leadership grants awarded

1 Grant awarded to Catholic Lifesaver Corps

130 GRACE teacher-leaders (including 11 high school leaders)

15 Leadership Academy participants

2022 Fulcrum Foundation Highlights

Uplift

Fulcrum surpasses its 7-year, \$66 million goal in the Uplift capital campaign by raising more than \$87.4 million for the future of Catholic schools! The multi-year comprehensive campaign will fund Fulcrum's key programs and help position the foundation to have an even greater positive impact on students and families in Western Washington.

Norcliffe

The Norcliffe Foundation makes a \$3 million commitment to Fulcrum over the next three years, supporting the School Partnership Grant Program. These funds will help schools with capital grant projects, curriculum needs, and technology upgrades.



Shea Homes

Shea Homes completes significant upgrades and renovations at Holy Family Bilingual Catholic School—including a new community kitchen, windows, and flooring—and begins work at St. Matthew School and St. Pius X School. Shea Homes is making a major investment in these schools with impactful renovations that create comfortable, safe, and positive educational environments for students and teachers.

20th Anniversary Celebration of Light

Cheers to teachers, staff, and administrators who were honored with the prestigious Archbishop's Award at the Celebration of Light 2022! Catholic school educators and staff went above and beyond during the pandemic to provide safe, high-quality instruction to students, whether they were at home or in the classroom. Fulcrum raised a record \$2.9 million dollars at the 20th Anniversary Celebration of Light, thanks to the amazing Fulcrum community members representing all 72 schools.



Dick Abrams

Dick Abrams makes a major investment in Fulcrum's Early Childhood Education Endowment, bringing the total of the endowment to over \$6.5 million dollars. Through this endowment, Fulcrum will increase support and visibility of early learning programs in an exemplary manner that will be emulated and respected nationwide.



Ty Scheumann

Theiline P. Scheumann donates a record \$11.4 million to Fulcrum, living her faith and belief in the value of Catholic schools and the education they provide. Ms. Scheumann's extraordinary gift will be used in part for leadership training, student scholarships, and funding for Fulcrum's Becraft Scholars Program. Ms. Scheumann passed away shortly after her incredible donation to Fulcrum. She will be lovingly remembered by the greater Catholic school community and by generations of students who will be the beneficiaries of the meaningful gift of a Catholic education.

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FOUNDATION
20
YEARS
SINCE 2002

2002
Fulcrum is established.



2009
Embracing Our Legacy capital campaign raises nearly \$43M.



2016
Turnstyle Studio helps Fulcrum launch new brand and visual identity.



2003
Inaugural Celebration of Light gala raises over \$500,000.



2010
Over \$2.5M in aid distributed—the largest distribution of funds in a single year.

2017
GRACE (Guiding Regionally, Advancing Catholic Education) program launched.
High School Instructional Leadership Program launched.

2004
Five-year *Embracing Our Legacy* capital campaign begins with a fundraising goal of \$40M.



2011
Over \$11M donated from the estate of Ted and Connie Hossfeld—the largest donation from a single donor.

2018
Ambassador Program launched to engage supporters and build relationships with archdiocesan schools.



2005
The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation donates \$7.5M.

2012
More than \$1M disbursed in general tuition assistance grants.



2019
The Early Childhood Education Fund is established by Dick and Sharon Abrams.



Donors rally in support of Catholic education despite snowstorm cancelling the Celebration of Light.

2006
The Legacy Society is formed to recognize donors who include Fulcrum in their estate plans.

2013
Fulcrum partners with Holy Rosary Bilingual Academy in Tacoma to create a landmark two-way language immersion program.



2020
The COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund disburses \$4.6M in aid to Catholic schools during the pandemic.



2007
Amici, Fulcrum's young professionals' group, is founded.

2014
Fulcrum partners with Norcliffe Foundation to support the School Partnership Grant Program.

2021
Becraft Scholars Program launched in partnership with the Ferry Family Charitable Foundation.



2008
6th Annual Celebration of Light gala raises a record-breaking \$1M.

2015
Fulcrum works with the Frost and Margaret Snyder Foundation to support Pierce County schools through the School Partnership Grant Program.

2022
Fulcrum celebrates its 20th Anniversary and wraps up the *Uplift* campaign with \$87.4M in donations.

