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2025-2026

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CELEBRATING YOUR IMPACT!

July 2026

Dear Friends of PEF,

Together, we did something extraordinary. Because of your generosity, the **Petaluma Educational Foundation** provided **\$319,460** in PEF Impact Grant funds this past academic year.

This brochure celebrates your impact. Inside, you'll discover how your support empowered educators to turn innovative ideas into transformative learning experiences. From robotics and outdoor science to literacy, wellness, performing arts, and media labs, **PEF Impact Grants are enriching classrooms and inspiring more than 12,000 TK–12 students each year across Petaluma.** These grants are far more than financial support, they open doors to new opportunities. Every project funded represents a community coming together to invest in the success of the next generation.

Whether you have supported PEF for decades, recently joined our mission, or are discovering our work for the first time, you are an important part of this story. Every gift, every volunteer hour, and every time you share our mission helps ensure students throughout our community have access to exceptional educational opportunities.

On behalf of the PEF Board of Directors, our educators, and the thousands of students whose lives you have touched, thank you for believing in our work and for partnering with us to **Put Education First** and **Fund the Future** through the mission of PEF.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Maureen Highland
Executive Director





Who Is PEF?



HISTORY

In 1982, a group of Petaluma teachers, business leaders, and community activists convened to develop school funding solutions in response to major budget deficits throughout the California education system. Their result was the Petaluma Educational Foundation (PEF).

MISSION

PEF raises money within the community to create impactful educational opportunities that promote critical thinking, creativity, student well-being, and lifelong learning.

FUNDING

We receive no public funding. Instead, individuals, local businesses, corporations, and foundations contribute to advancing PEF's mission. Additionally, PEF manages Alphabet Soup Thrift Stores with two locations in downtown Petaluma. Proceeds from the stores benefit our mission.

PEF'S ANNUAL PARTNERS FOR EDUCATION: 2025 - 2026

Positively impacting teachers and students all year round in collaboration with PEF.



OUR WORK

Since 1982, we've...

RAISED
\$10,810,308
TOTAL

Awarded
\$5,306,792
in grants

Awarded
\$5,503,516
in
scholarships

Changed the
lives of
12,000+
students
annually

GET INVOLVED

Donate

- Fund the Future with PEF Impact Grants
- Annual and Event Partnerships
- Endowments to establish educational programs or scholarships
- Planned Giving

Have fun & make a difference!

- The Bash (September 12, 2026)
- PEF Scholarship Reception (April 28, 2027)

Volunteer

- Friends of PEF: all are welcome!
- PEF Committees: Board & Community Members
- Alphabet Soup Benefit Thrift Stores

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THE PEF IMPACT GRANT STORY

OVER THREE DECADES OF GRANT FUNDING FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

More than \$5.3 million invested in Petaluma-area classrooms since 1983

The Petaluma Educational Foundation's grant program began in 1983, awarding **\$18,000** in grants to support local classrooms with mini-grants up to \$500 each. For over three decades, that impact grew steadily as community support expanded.

PEF's Grant Program reached its first major milestone in 2006, surpassing **\$1 million** in total grants awarded. By 2012, PEF had passed the **\$2 million** mark, followed by **\$3 million** in 2017 and **\$4 million** in 2022. Today, PEF has surpassed **\$5 million** in cumulative grant funding, reaching a total of **\$5,306,792** awarded through 1,883 individual grants. Each milestone represents generations of donors, educators, volunteers, and community partners investing directly in Petaluma-area students and schools.

These milestones tell the story of what is possible when a community comes together year after year to support students, teachers, and education for more than 12,000 TK-12 grade students annually.

Combined with our annual PEF Scholarship Program, PEF has awarded over **\$10.8 million** in funding for students and schools since 1982!



How YOU can support PEF's mission

Fund the Future

Support our **impact grants**, ensuring flexible funding for the greatest needs in our schools.

Establish a Scholarship

Honor a loved one and remove barriers for students facing financial challenges.

Planned Giving

Include PEF in your will or estate. Give the gift that keeps on giving for generations to come.

Volunteer

Donate your time! Help coordinate events, join a committee, or volunteer at **Alphabet Soup!**

Partner with Us

Local businesses can become **Annual Partners in Education**, to make a meaningful difference in our community.

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GRANT AWARDS 1982 - 2026

SINGLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Cinnabar	\$89,806
Dunham	\$47,284
Laguna	\$5,000
Liberty	\$25,511
Lincoln	\$11,461
Two Rock	\$102,189
Union	\$8,091
Wilson	\$114,944

OLD ADOBE UNION DISTRICT

La Tercera	\$88,935
Loma Vista	\$92,529
Miwok Valley	\$130,768
Old Adobe	\$95,197
OAUSD	\$204,345
Sonoma Mountain	\$87,349

WAUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Corona Creek	\$149,805
Meadow	\$149,815
WSD	\$101,086

NOT-FOR-PROFIT PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Harvest Christian	\$119,596
River Montessori	\$59,786
St. Vincent Elementary	\$215,253
St. Vincent College Prep	\$307,126
The Spring Hill School	\$78,287

SPECIAL GRANTS / OTHER

3rd Grade Science Program at Shollenberger Ag Day/	\$44,300
Mahoney Family Fund	\$32,000
South County Consortium	\$19,435
Miscellaneous Grants	\$126,655
Schools Rule Sonoma County/SCOE	\$53,152

PETALUMA CITY DISTRICT ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY

Grant	\$209,008
Live Oak Charter	\$88,030
Mary Collins Cherry Valley	\$190,226
McDowell	\$180,162
McDowell Immersion	\$20,000
McKinley	\$157,032
McNear	\$187,552
Penngrove	\$127,274
Valley Oaks	\$17,164
Valley Vista	\$183,100
Valley Vista Public Waldorf	\$13,274
Carpe Diem	\$15,959
Casa Grande High	\$316,863
Crossroads Day	\$18,751
Kenilworth Junior High	\$247,607
Petaluma Accelerated	\$10,600
PCSD	\$121,169
Petaluma High	\$440,377
Petaluma Junior High	\$163,523
San Antonio High	\$32,107
Sonoma Mountain High	\$7,311

**OVER \$5.3 MILLION
PEF IMPACT
GRANTS AWARDED**



2025-2026 PEF Impact Grant Award for
S.T.E.A.M./Think Outside the Blocks
at Dunham Elementary School

GRANTS

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LITERACY & LANGUAGE ARTS

OUR STORY, OUR FUTURE AT MIWOK: \$13,572

Funding partner: Wayne & Roberta Musser Foundation

Miwok Valley Charter School serves a diverse TK-6 community and is seeking to strengthen literacy instruction while ensuring all students feel seen, valued, and represented in their learning environment. Based on assessment and survey data, the school has identified a need for improved foundational reading and writing skills as well as more culturally relevant instructional materials that reflect students' identities and experiences. This grant will provide multisensory literacy tools and diverse texts to support structured reading instruction, especially benefiting students with learning differences while engaging all learners more deeply. Through strong teacher collaboration and ongoing professional learning, the program aims to improve literacy outcomes and foster a school community where students develop both academic confidence and pride in their own stories.

Students directly impacted: 276 students (100% of the student body) in the Transitional Kindergarten - 6th grade at Miwok Valley Charter School

BUILDING CONFIDENCE THROUGH BILINGUALISM & BILITERACY: \$20,000

Funding partner: The Duckhorn Portfolio Founders Fund

This support will strengthen bilingual and biliteracy instruction for grades 6th through 8th by providing curriculum, instructional resources, and multilingual classroom libraries in English and Spanish. The project will support newcomer students and long-term English learners with targeted language development materials, visual learning tools and other preparation resources that build English proficiency while honoring students' home languages and cultures. Teachers will integrate these resources into daily instruction and measure student growth through language assessments, classroom data, and ongoing collaboration. Because the grant funds provide durable instructional materials and permanent multilingual libraries, it will provide lasting support for future generations of multilingual learners while advancing the school's vision of bilingualism, academic success, and cultural pride.

Students directly impacted: 81 students in 6th - 8th grade at McDowell Dual Language Immersion Academy



HEAR EVERY VOICE: CLASSROOM AUDIO ACCESS FOR MULTILINGUAL LEARNERS AT MCDOWELL: \$10,750

Funding partners: Exchange Bank and Fund the Future Donors

This grant will provide classrooms with Aver AmpliWave audio systems to ensure every student can clearly hear instruction and fully participate in learning, regardless of seating location or classroom noise. The technology will especially support English learners and Spanish learners by strengthening listening comprehension, oral language development, and speaking confidence in an inclusive classroom environment. By improving communication and student engagement, the project advances the campus' vision of developing compassionate, bi-literate, and actively engaged learners while also supporting goals for academic growth and reduced absenteeism. This grant will help create equitable learning environments that accelerate language development and empower all students to succeed academically and socially.

Students directly impacted: 278 students (100% of the student body) in Kindergarten - 5th grade at McDowell Elementary School

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**SCHOOLSRule
SONOMA COUNTY:
\$29,477**

Sonoma County Office of Education, SchoolsRule distributes money to education foundations and school districts annually on a per-student basis. Recipients then target funding along SchoolsRule's essential program areas: literacy, student well-being, agriculture and hospitality, and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics). Working with SchoolsRule, PEF distributed this funding to seven of our local public districts for 29 campuses based on their 2024-2025 enrollment.

FINE ARTS & MUSIC

**EXPAND ELEMENTARY BAND INSTRUMENT LIBRARY
PETALUMA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALL ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL CAMPUSES: \$7,366**

*Funding partner: Bill Graham Supporting
Foundation of the Jewish Federation Bay
Area and Fund the Future Donors*

Petaluma City Schools will purchase additional instruments including 10 trumpets and 8 clarinets to expand its elementary band instrument loaner scholarship program, ensuring all students can participate regardless of family income. The grant will support the program's efforts to address the challenge of limiting student choice and access.

Participation in the band fosters musical skills, social development, and self-esteem, with many students continuing music studies through higher grades. This support is essential for sustaining equitable access to music education.

Students directly impacted in 4th - 6th grade at all PCSD Elementary Schools



**RISING VOICES: EMPOWERING EVERY CHILD THROUGH THE
PERFORMING ARTS: \$20,000**



*Funding partners: Petaluma Market
and Mary & Scott Farrar*

This grant will expand performing arts opportunities for middle school students by providing professional-quality microphones, lighting, and AV equipment to support student theater productions. Theater is a core part of the school's culture, helping students

build confidence, literacy, collaboration, leadership, and social-emotional skills through both onstage and behind-the-scenes experiences. The grant will also fund professional development for staff and participation in the Junior Theater Festival, where students can perform for Broadway professionals and engage in nationally recognized arts workshops. This grant is supporting a vibrant, inclusive arts program that empowers students to discover their voices and thrive both academically and personally.

Students directly impacted: 165 students directly impacted (31% of the student body) in 6th - 8th grade at Mary Collins School at Cherry Valley

**PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM AT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
COLLEGE PREP: \$13,706**

*Funding partners: Angela DeCarli, Kristy & Ron Fedrick, and
Tricia & Darrin DeCarli*

St. Vincent de Paul College Prep will apply this funding to replace its outdated projector and malfunctioning projection screen with a modern audiovisual system that will enhance learning, performances, and school-wide events. The upgraded equipment will improve presentations, performing arts productions, assemblies, liturgies, guest lectures, and community gatherings by providing high-quality, accessible visual experiences. Serving multiple academic and extracurricular programs, the project will immediately benefit students while creating a durable resource expected to support the school community for more than a decade. Success will be measured through increased use of the space, participant feedback, and expanded engagement in educational, artistic, and community events. Students directly impacted: 155 students (100% of the student body) in 9th - 12th grade at St. Vincent de Paul College Prep

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)

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**EXPLORING,
DISCOVERING &
BELONGING: \$13,274**
*Funding partners:
Fund the Future
Donors*

This grant will support immersive outdoor education experiences that connect classroom learning to hands-on studies in geology, botany, ecology, leadership, and teamwork. Funding will purchase essential camping equipment, including tents, sleeping bags, sleeping mats, and cooking supplies to ensure every student can participate in a multi-day overnight outdoor learning experience regardless of financial circumstances. Teachers anticipate increased student engagement, confidence, collaboration, and environmental awareness, with especially meaningful benefits for English Language Learners and students who thrive in experiential learning environments. The grant will continue providing equitable outdoor learning opportunities for thousands of students for years to come. Students directly impacted: 190 students in 4th - 8th grade at Valley Vista Public Waldorf Charter School



PROJECT SOAR SENSORY OUTDOOR AREAS FOR REGULATION: \$9,950
Funding partners: Claudia Kestory Naventi Memorial Fund and Janet Ramatici

This grant builds on McNear's 2025 Green Ribbon School award by transforming four outdoor zones into inclusive, sensory-rich spaces that help students regulate their emotions and bodies so they are ready to learn. The school will add tools, including a kinesthetic sensory path, an inclusive outdoor library, and hands-on sensory science stations that provide calming, movement-based, and engaging options for every child. By embedding these supports into daily school life, Project SOAR will foster focus, confidence, and belonging, ensuring every student has what they need to thrive. Students directly impacted: 400 students (100% of the student body) in Transitional Kindergarten - 6th grade at McNear Elementary School

**ENHANCING SENSORY SUPPORT FOR
TK AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS:
\$11,537**

Funding partners: Fund the Future Donors

This grant will enhance Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten classrooms with developmentally appropriate sensory materials, flexible seating, and fine motor tools that support students' physical, emotional, and

academic growth. The new resources will help address the developmental needs of young learners by improving core strength, self-regulation, focus, and fine motor skills while creating safe, engaging learning environments. Materials such as sensory and light tables, wobble stools, weighted lap buddies, cozy corners, and hands-on manipulatives will be integrated into daily instruction to promote participation, independence, and school readiness. Because these durable resources will be used for years to come, the project will provide lasting benefits for hundreds of students by fostering inclusive classrooms on campus.

Students directly impacted: 175 students (20% of the Waugh School District student body) in Transitional Kindergarten - Kindergarten at Corona Creek Elementary School and

**GROWING TOGETHER: SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING IN TK-3RD
GRADE: \$10,042**

Funding partners: Fund the Future Donors

This grant will provide TK-3 grade students with the Kimochis Social-Emotional Learning curriculum to establish a consistent, research-based approach for teaching emotional awareness, communication, and self-regulation. The program addresses a current need for a shared language and structured instruction that helps students identify and manage emotions, strengthen relationships, and engage more successfully in learning. Through weekly lessons, interactive tools, and ongoing classroom integration, teachers will build students' skills in empathy, problem-solving, and resilience while collaborating across grade levels to ensure consistency. The overall goal is to improve student well-being and school connectedness, with the long-term aim of increasing students' ability to access learning and feel supported by caring adults.

Students directly impacted: 200 students (55% of the student body) in Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten at McKinley Elementary School

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PEF TECH INITIATIVE & S.T.E.A.M.

OUTDOOR NATURE-BASED S.T.E.A.M. LEARNING SPACE: \$7,300

Funding partners: Fund the Future Donors

This grant will create an outdoor nature-based S.T.E.A.M. learning space featuring a mud kitchen, gardening areas, sensory tools, and seating to support students with developmental and sensory needs in a Special Day Life Skills classroom. The project will provide hands-on opportunities to build sensory regulation, communication, social interaction, and essential life skills while integrating science, technology, engineering, art, and math into daily learning. A unique reverse mainstreaming component will bring typically developing peers into the outdoor classroom to encourage inclusion, collaboration, and meaningful peer relationships. As a new and innovative program for the class, district, and South County Consortium, the permanent learning space will provide lasting benefits for future students through experiential, inclusive education.

Students directly impacted:
10 students in Kindergarten
through 2nd grade at South

County Consortium campus at Meadow Elementary School



ROBOTICS REFRESHER: ELECTRIC VEHICLES, GOLF CARTS & SOLAR ENERGY: \$20,000

Funding partners: W. Bradley Electric, LLC and Sonoma Clean Power

This grant modernizes the campus Robotics program by replacing outdated robotics instructional tools with 13 durable self-driving electric vehicles that teach students about brushless motors, VESC controllers, lithium-ion batteries, solar arrays, and electric golf car systems. Using professional-grade skateboard components and CNC-machined parts, the EVs are designed to last and provide students with hands-on experience in vehicle design, autonomous systems, and renewable energy technology. The program also introduces career-connected learning opportunities tied to the growing EV, renewable energy, and golf car repair industries, helping students develop practical engineering and technical skills relevant to future college and career pathways. The grant also expands rich academic options through active, student-led, project-based learning that increases engagement while connecting classroom learning to real-world sustainable transportation challenges. Students directly impacted: 160 students (10% of the student body) in 9th - 12th grade at Casa Grande High School

BRIDGING THE DIVIDE: EMPOWERING STUDENTS FOR 21ST-CENTURY LEARNING: \$17,237

Funding partner: Clover Sonoma

This grant will provide 30 iPads to St. Vincent de Paul Elementary, helping close the technology gap and expand access to modern learning tools. Teachers will be able to implement personalized instruction using educational apps that support both remediation and enrichment. The devices will also enhance Project-Based Learning, allowing students to create digital portfolios and multimedia reports. This approach strengthens critical thinking, creativity, and communication skills. Over time, the grant will support a lasting shift toward digital citizenship and more engaging, real-world learning experiences.

Students directly impacted: 65 students in Transitional Kindergarten - 2nd grade at St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School

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**PETALUMA YOUTH
AG DAY - \$2,000**
*Funding partner:
Mahoney Family Fund
at PEF*

Generations of Petaluma school children have participated in this annual event since 2005, where students learn about the important role of agriculture in our lives. They have the opportunity to see a cow milked, trek through a hay maze, pet farm animals, and watch sheepdogs at work while hearing from local agricultural organizations about their impact on the local economy.

PEF TECH INITIATIVE & S.T.E.A.M.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BLOCKS: \$8,200

Funding partners: Fund the Future Donors

This project will enhance outdoor learning by providing Big Blue Blocks, a modular building system that promotes creativity, collaboration, problem-solving, and hands-on S.T.E.A.M. learning. Students will use the blocks during recess, physical education, enrichment, and classroom activities to strengthen critical thinking, communication, and teamwork through imaginative play. The durable, reusable blocks will become a permanent feature of the district's outdoor learning spaces, benefiting students across multiple grade levels for years to come. Project success will be measured through teacher feedback, student observations, and shared outcomes with families and the community, while future district and PTO support will help sustain and expand the program. Students directly impacted: 179 students (100% of the student body) in Transitional Kindergarten - 6th grade at Dunham Elementary School

FILMMAKING FOR STUDENTS: \$15,000

Funding partners: Sally & Ned Foley, Carol Ann & Dan Libarle and



Fund the Future Donors

Building on the success of Trojan Broadcast, this grant will equip Petaluma High School's new Filmmaking program with professional-grade tools, including a cinema camera, prime lenses, and studio lighting, creating a strong foundation for long-term growth. The equipment enhances learning opportunities for both Filmmaking and Trojan Broadcast students, supporting everything from studio productions to field interviews and short film projects. Students will gain

hands-on experience with industry-standard production practices by rotating through key crew positions such as Director of Photography, Gaffer, and Grip, developing both technical skills and teamwork. As a lasting investment, this equipment will continue to expand access to real-world filmmaking experiences and strengthen career-focused media arts education for future generations of students.

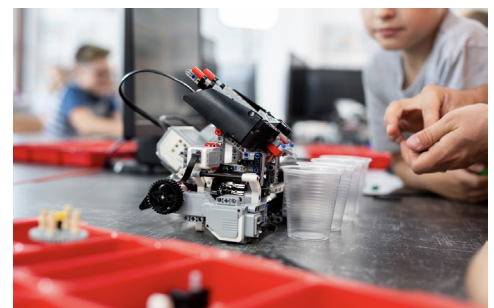
Students directly impacted: 120 students (10% of the student body) in 9th - 12th grade at Petaluma Junior High School

S.T.E.A.M. PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS - \$20,000

Funding partners: County of Sonoma - Board of Supervisors, Team Ghilotti, Inc., and Theresa & Michael Haire

This grant enables Petaluma High School to purchase new robotics equipment and provide teacher training, giving students more opportunities to design, build, and program advanced robots. In Intro to Robotics and Principles of Engineering, students will create projects such as automated planters, mobile trash cans, motion-sensing devices, and elevator systems, with several teams showcasing their work at a local CTE event.

Students directly impacted: 55 students in 9th - 12th grade at Petaluma High School



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MAKING LEARNING VISIBLE: \$11,076

Funding partners: Susan & Dean Letcher and Katy & Todd Verke

Meadow School is seeking funding to upgrade essential classroom tools by replacing deteriorated whiteboards, relocating and restoring TVs for instructional use, and adding more standing desks to improve student access to learning materials. These resources are used daily for direct instruction, visual supports, student engagement, and classroom organization. The upgrades will ensure every classroom has clear, functional visual displays and flexible seating options so students can better see, access, and participate in instruction. This practical investment will strengthen the effectiveness of prior technology grants and improve overall student learning conditions across classrooms.

Students directly impacted: 402 students (100% of the student body) in Transitional Kindergarten - 6th grade at Meadow Elementary School

TOUCHSCREENS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES INSTRUCTION: \$19,804

Funding partners: Gayle Sarlatte & Bob Giacomini, Kathy & Neil Hennessy, and Hennessy Funds

This grant will transform Social Studies classrooms by providing interactive touchscreens, replacing outdated technology and giving students and teachers access to advanced digital tools. The touchscreens support hands-on, collaborative learning, real-time translation, instant image retrieval, and accessibility features that benefit all learners, including those with language or reading challenges. This grant ensures a long-lasting impact as these devices will serve students for years to come, fostering digital literacy and innovative teaching while making it possible for students to experience 21st-century learning opportunities that would otherwise be out of reach.

Students directly impacted: 1628 students (100% of the student body) in 9th - 12th grade at Casa Grande High School

HEALTH CAREER PATHWAYS: \$25,000

Funding partner: Healthy Petaluma District & Foundation

Students in Medical Science, Sports Medicine, Allied Healthcare, and HOSA programs that combine rigorous academics with hands-on learning, clinical experiences, and partnerships with local healthcare providers. A successful pilot Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program will enable students to earn professional certification and transition directly into healthcare employment while addressing critical regional workforce needs. Grant funding will expand equitable access to medical simulation labs and equipment, increasing work-based learning opportunities, and supporting pathway coordination and career advising. By reducing financial and access barriers, the program prepares a diverse, highly skilled pipeline of future healthcare professionals while promoting health equity, youth leadership, and long-term workforce development in the Petaluma community.

Students directly impacted: 300 students in 9th - 12th grade at Petaluma High School and Casa Grande High School



CASA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE TEAM INSTRUCTION: \$680

Funding partner: Kimberly & Robert Strickland

Casa Grande High School is continuing its second-year Debate Team to expand humanities-based opportunities and increase student engagement aligned with the school's RISE values of respect, integrity, safety, and engagement. The program helps students strengthen skills in rhetorical analysis, research, argumentation, collaboration. With long-term goals of sustaining and growing the team, student memberships and competition resources will support participation in National Speech and Debate Association events and help students build skills relevant to college and careers in law, politics, and related fields. The program will be evaluated through team growth, competition participation and success metrics, and engagement data, supported by digital resources. Students directly impacted: 75 students in 9th - 12th grade at Casa Grande High School

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\$30,000 - \$10,000

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Billye Raye Lipscomb
Bridget Mackay
Mary McCaffrey
Sally & Ryan McKillop
Michelle Moller
Lauren Morganleander
Clare Murphy
Lindsey & Zach Nelson
Cyndi & Dana Niendorf, M.D.
Roxy & Mitch Patin
Stefany & Dean Perlman
Judy & Stephen Saunders

Robin Semmelhack
Laura & Greg Shooter
Neil Shooter
Danielle & Chad Smith
Dorothy Sturdevant
Brad Sunshine
Patsy Terzian
Alexandra Townsend
Rick Walzer
David Watts
Marion Weinreb
Katherine Wells
Courtney & Willem Whalen
Kathie & Brad Williams
Clairette & Kenny Wilson
Jena & Howard Wilson
Adam Wright

\$200 - \$100

Sharon & Rich Albertoni
Carol Casselman &
Jeffery Argentine
Jana Beatty-Andersen
Jo Ann & Bruce Crouch
Nadine & Vance DeVost
Diane & Sean Durenberger
Debbie Gilardi
Cyrus Ginwala
William Graham
Andrea DeLuca &
Shivam Gupta, M.D.
Karen Hall
Pat & Dave Hansen
Elizabeth & Matthew Harris
Shelly Anderson & Rob Hudson
Merle & Jim Inden
Steve Kaehler
Karen Levin
Lisa & Chad Lichty
Elece Hempel & Alan Maciel
Jon Mantel
Marilyn & Roger Maslin
Steven McKillop
Patti & Rick McLean
Sharon & Tory Monticello

Joan & Jim Paddor
Betty Pagett
Shauna Powers
Alice Radtkey
Shari & Chris Ranney
Bill Silva
Trudi Vetterlein &
John Silvestrini
Pat Skinner
Jacob Smith
Jeanne & Lew Spengler
John Stefanski
Florenca & James Vaughn
Michael Watt
Randy Williams
Ryan Williams

Up to \$100

Bonnie & Harold Bard
Carole & Marshall Barlas
Marianne Curtis
Dena Davis
Ken Egel
Linda & Ron Feldman
Barbara Finn
Cynthia & Walter Griffith
Marilyn & Gordon Jasoni
Terrie & Jim Kehoe
Deborah Koos
Gloria & Allen Marcucci
Cathy & Chris Oakes
Kathleen Bollow & James Roat
Janet Sherman
Dea & Marty Steigner
Amy & Shin Tiu
Norma Walsh
Nancy Yoshioka

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Please pardon any omissions.*



PLANNED GIVING

CREATE A LASTING LEGACY



Children are always the only future the human race has; teach them well.

- Unknown

What is a Planned Gift?

A planned gift is one that originates during your lifetime but is not available to PEF until after your estate is settled. All it takes is asking or advising your attorney or financial advisor to add a charitable gift to PEF in your estate plan.

There are a variety of ways to plan your gift to PEF:

- Gift in your Will or Living Trust
- Gift of Retirement Plan/IRA/401(k)
- Charitable Annuity
- Charitable Remainder Trusts
- Donor Advised Funds (DAF)
- Life Insurance Policy

Give the Gift that Lasts a Lifetime with a Legacy for Learning gift to PEF.

Learn more about all the ways you can create your legacy gift to PEF by contacting our office to discuss your intent further.

**PEF Invested/Endowed Funds
total \$6,586,097**

(as of December 2025)

AAUW Connie Mahoney CAA Fund
Andrea & John Barella Vocational
Apply Beyond Fund
Gene Benedetti Memorial
Dan Caletti Memorial
Carol Brandner ROP Fund
Max Cerini Memorial
Victor L. DeCarli Family Fund
Maxwell & Doris Decker Fund
Paul DiGirolamo Memorial
Becky Farwell Fund
Guglielmetti Scholarship
Darren Hansen Memorial
Henris Family Fund
Steve Highland Memorial
Jane and Chuck Jones Memorial
Edwin Kelsey Memorial
Knights of Columbus Scholarship
John and Elrose Lounibos Memorial
MacIlvain Scholarship Funds
Mahoney Family Funds
Herold Mahoney Fund
Maloney Family Fund
The Wayne, Roberta &
Jon Rufus Musser Memorial
Claudia Kestory Naventi Memorial
John Orfali Memorial
Jack Overton Memorial
Jim Pacciorini Memorial
PEF Discretionary Fund
PEF General Endowment
PEF Grant Endowment
PEF Scholarship Endowment
Alan J. Pounds Memorial
John Ramatici Memorial
Scott Memorial Funds
Silverberg Family Fund
Lynda R. Smith Scholarship
Trevor Smith Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent High Endowment Fund
Bill & Carolyn Tennyson Scholarship
Howard Tingley Memorial
Ellin Trueblood Memorial
U'Ren Family Scholarship

Other non-profits invest their funds through PEF to utilize the secure investment strategies and oversight provided by the PEF investment team.

Non-Profit Organizational Funds

Petaluma Community Guild
Petaluma Music Festival Endowment
SVHS-Daniel Ercolini Scholarship
SVHS-Michael Gonzalez Fund
SVHS-Kavanaugh Scholarship
SVHS-Tim Shea Memorial
SVHS-Young Maturing Athlete

SCHOLARSHIPS

2026 PEF SCHOLARSHIPS

PEF is honored to manage 102 scholarship funds for donors who provide the Foundation with clear criteria for selecting recipients. Since 1990 PEF has awarded a total of \$5,503,516. In Spring of 2026, 316 students received 516 awards totaling \$354,239 from PEF's annual scholarship program from the funds listed below.

2026 Annually Funded PEF Scholarships

Alphabet Soup Thrift Stores
Always Buddy/
Alyssa Byrne Memorial
Jimmy Antonini Memorial
Cristian Arango Memorial
Trey Atkin Memorial
Louise Ayers Memorial
Baldwin, McGaughey & Co. CPAs
Seymour M. Brody Memorial
Bug Under Glass Scholarship
Charles E. Burt Scholarship
Petaluma Copperfield's
Dave DeJong Memorial
Dipa Scholarship
Dow Development Laboratories
Erin Monahan Slutz Memorial
Ed Grossi Memorial Automotive
Michael Gonzalez Fund
Field of Honor - Sonoma County
Rose & Sol Fishman Memorial
Hayden Klemenok Memorial
Hedge Realty Scholarship
Marilyn Herzog Ag Scholarship
Francis Casella Wildlife Mngmt.
Stephen P. Collins/
English Language Learners
Community Achievement Awds.
Pat Doherty Memorial
Grant Elementary Alumni
Ron Head Environmental Ed.
Hillcrest Dental Group
Roger Humphres Military Family
John "JJ" Jackson Memorial
Erika Jonas Scholarship
Larry Johnson Memorial
Liberty School Alumni Scholarship
Lift Off Scholarship
Kambampati & Ghanta Scholarship
Harry Kimball Memorial
Peg & Jeremy King Real Estate
Kiwanis Club Community Service
Gerald Mahoney Memorial
Martin Family Scholarship
Butch Milliron Athletic Memorial
Miracle League Scholarship
Lanker-McHugh Scholarship
Claudia Kestory Naventi Memorial
Native Daughter of California #222

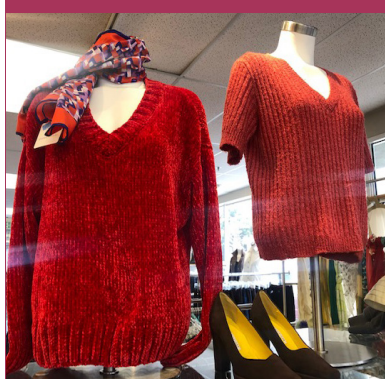


Penngrove Panthers Alumni
Petaluma Active 20-30 Club #30
Petaluma Firefighters Local #1415
Petaluma Girls Softball Assoc./
Sean O'Keefe Memorial
Petaluma Hamilton
Masonic Lodge
Petaluma High School/
FFA Ag Booster
Petaluma High School/
Bill King Ag Memorial
Petaluma Orthodontics Science
Dr. Raymond Ramos &
Associates Pediatric Dentist
Gary Ravani Memorial
Timo Rivetti Soccer Scholarship
Clarence & Rosilda Rogers
Claire & Norm Santos Memorial
Pat Steidl Memorial
Torkelson & Associates CPA's LLP
UCP of the North Bay
Margaret Farman Service
& Leadership
Sarah Wadsworth Memorial
We Came To Play
Doug Johnson Scholarship

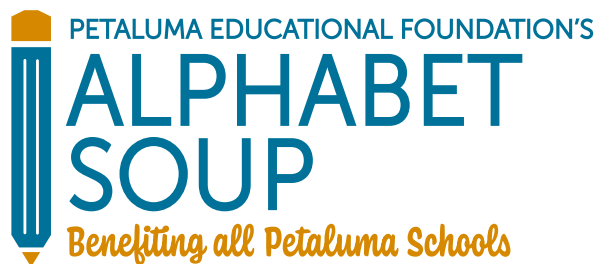
2026 Invested/Endowed PEF Scholarships

Andrea & John Barella Vocational
Apply Beyond Fund
Gene Benedetti Memorial
Carol Brandner ROP/
Occupations with Children
Dan Caletti Memorial
Max Cerini Memorial
Maxwell and Doris Decker RN
Paul DiGiralomo Memorial
Guglielmetti Agriculture
Darren Hansen Memorial
Henris Family
Steve Highland Memorial
Edwin Kelsey Memorial
John and Elrose Lounibos
Memorial
MacIvaine Academic Honor Roll
MacIvaine Family
Maloney Family Fund
The Wayne, Roberta &
Jon Rufus Musser Memorial
John Orfali Memorial
Jack Overton Memorial
Jim Pacciorini Memorial
Alan J. Pounds Memorial
John Ramatici Memorial/
Rotary Club of Petaluma
PEF Hope Scholarship Endowment
Scott Memorial Funds
Silverberg Family Scholarship
Lynda R. Smith Scholarship
Trevor Smith Memorial
Bill & Carolyn Tennyson
Scholarship
Ellin Trueblood Memorial
U'Ren Family

Class of
2026



ALPHABET SOUP BENEFIT THRIFT STORES



**32
Years!**

For over three decades, Alphabet Soup Thrift Stores have transformed gently used donations into educational opportunity for Petaluma students.

Founded in 1993, the stores continue to be a vital part of PEF's mission by turning furniture, clothing, books, and housewares into funding for literacy, arts, STEAM, wellness, and scholarships for our local students and schools.



DONATE

Declutter for a cause! Drop off gently used clothing, furniture, books, toys, and household goods. Our donation alley is located off Liberty Street.



SHOP

Find budget-friendly basics or one-of-a-kind vintage treasures:

- Clothing Store: Men's, Women's, & Children's apparel & accessories, plus children's toys
- Home Store: Housewares, furniture, decor & more



VOLUNTEER

Join the heart of our mission - help sort donations, assist in the shop, or process donations. *Your time makes a real difference!*



WHY IT MATTERS

- Proceeds benefit the mission of PEF supporting local schools & students
- Over 12,000 TK-12 students served each year
- Powered by volunteers, donors, and YOU

We are OPEN seven days a week!

Delivery & pick up services available throughout the North Bay Region

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