

# DU Student Foundation Impact Report 2022-2023

## Message from the Co-Presidents

Dear DU Community,

We are delighted to share the University of Denver Student Foundation's 2022-2023 Impact Report. On behalf of the Co-Presidents and student trustees, we would like to thank you for your contributions, in both time and money.

Through DUSF's grant program, we were able to bring enhanced value to the student experience that the greater DU community could appreciate. Without student donations, the many programs that we were able to help fund would not have been as successful and engaging as they were. This year, our guiding principle – that **DUSF provides funding for students**, **by students** – was evident through the many fundraising events we held and the student organizations we supported.

The impact of these efforts can be seen in funding given to the Pollination Association, to create environmentally friendly beeswax saran wraps. Not only do our grants provide hands-on experiences, but also learning opportunities. A grant given to the Latine Student Alliance allowed the organization to expand their event to a wider DU student audience, exposing others to the Latine culture.

We are extremely proud of our DUSF Trustees passion, ability to fundraise and promote student engagement across campus and drive to better DU. We would like to thank them for all the effort they put in, from setting up events to soliciting donations from their peers and other DU Community members. In creating a culture of philanthropy, DUSF is helping to shape the future of DU by creating a more accessible and inclusive college campus.





Best wishes,
Charlie Foster '25
Monica Uribe '24
DUSF Co-Presidents

# Mission:

The University of Denver Student Foundation is an organization catalyzing engagement at the University of Denver (DU). We encourage and create innovative ways to increase DU community involvement on campus through contributions of time and money. As a representation of student leaders on campus, our organization supports those who influence students, including students themselves."

## **Events**

#### **Consent Fair**

The Consent Fair takes place every April, at the end of Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). It is a daylong event for DU community members to share and learn about topics related to consent and interpersonal violence. DUSF has participated the past two years, soliciting funds for the CAPE Survivor Fund. We look forward to future partnership!

People engaged at the fair and 2 donors contributed to the CAPE Student Survivor Fund





#### **Senior Night**

This year's Senior Week was focused on creating a series of events in alignment with the 4D experience, organized by SAIE. DUSF participated in 'Senior Night' on the Community Commons rooftop, promoting Grad Fest that was held later that week and congratulating students on their upcoming graduation from DU!

**Senior students** engaged at the event

#### **Grad Fest**

Grad Fest is an annual event hosted by the DU Student Foundation and serves as a 'one-stop-shop' for graduation. The event takes place in the bookstore and is a time for soon to be graduates to pick up their regalia, connect with career services, and speak to the registrar's office. Students also have an opportunity to purchase a Grad Pack that includes a donation to the Student Foundation and engage with student trustees who can help them find an area on campus to which they'd like to make a gift.



**Graduating students** engaged and 10 Donors to various student support funds

## **Events**

#### 1DAY4DU

1DAY4DU is DU's annual 24-hour celebration of giving where we come together to support what means the most to us, making a difference in the DU community. DUSF supports 1DAY4DU by helping plan and implement the on-campus event. This year, the on-campus event consisted of a series of inflatable games, a mechanical bull and dunk tank, 4 Denver-Local food trucks, and a DJ. The goal for the on-campus activation was to engage students, faculty, and staff in a community-wide celebration of philanthropy and raise funds to enhance the student experience.



400+

Students showed up for the on-campus event and engaged with DUSF. 91 students donated on 1DAY4DU.

#### Valentine's Day event

This year, DUSF chose to promote the Student Assistance Fund on Valentine's Day. They hosted a hot-chocolate and coffee bar outside of the Community Commons that was free to students! With each student who stopped by, a student trustee would inform them about the impact of the Student Assistance Fund on campus, and how they could support their peers.



**35-45** 

Students engaged at the event and 5 Donors

## **Events**

#### **Homecoming**

Every fall, DU engages with alumni, family, and friends in the DU community at Homecoming. This year's featured event was "HocktoberFESTival", a time where community members could sample food trucks, explore a bounce-house and other family-friendly activities. DUSF attended the event and contributed 200 free tickets - using donations from programs like GradFest and the DU Traditions Fund - to students so they could enjoy the fun! DUSF has helped make this event more accessible for students over the past 2 years, and plans on continuing this tradition in the future!



**234** 

Promo Codes were used, and 325-350 student were checked in.

#### The Shirt

Designed by the DU Student Foundation for the DU community, The Shirt is a uniting emblem for students, alumni and friends. Each purchase of The Shirt includes a small donation to DUSF, making it one of our biggest fundraisers! These donations allow the foundation to support programs and organizations on campus. This year's design includes colorful blocks with symbols of our DU campus and the surrounding mountain landscape.



Get you Shirt today! theshirt.du.edu



## **Financials**



**UG and Graduate Student Donors** 



- Which funds did students contribute to the most? Club Sports, the Food Pantry and other student support funds like the Student Assistance Fund and the DU Student Gift Fund.
- How much money in total did DUSF award? \$1,370

# **Impact of Grants**

- List of student organizations awarded grants
  - DU Pollination Association
  - Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority
  - Latine Student Alliance

If you or your organization are interested in receiving a grant from DUSF, please fill out this application:



# Thank you

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you DU students, faculty & staff, alumni and parents for your support of the University we all love.

**Questions?** Interested in joining DUSF? Please send us an email: dusf@du.edu or visit our website: studentfoundation.du.edu/

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