



GLENDALE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION  
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# Enriching and Enhancing Public Education in Glendale

2018 Annual Report





## GEF'S mission

is to enrich and enhance the programs and projects of the Glendale Unified School District for a healthy and quality learning environment for students, staff, parents and the community.

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*Critical to GEF's mission is the leadership and collaborative working relationship among students, staff, parents and community.*



## Message from the Executive Director

In 2017-18, the Glendale Educational Foundation (GEF) initiated a year of innovation and expansion.

- Launched a new initiative, the **GEF Teacher Grant Program**, which provides much needed financial support for the classroom that directly benefits our students.
- Expanded our **Get Everybody Fit** initiative to include “The Kid’s Fitness Challenge” and The Walking Classroom pilot.
- Continued to support our **secondary areas of focus**, Visual & Performing Arts and Science & Technology.
- Selected our new campaign, **Music Matters** focused on Visual & Performing Arts for 2018-2020.

Join us as we look back at the impact we made together. You, our generous donors, volunteers, and partners have helped us make a difference in the lives of every Glendale Unified School District (GUSD) student. We’re grateful for your commitment in supporting Glendale public schools.

Thank you for standing up for every school and every student in Glendale!

Elsa P. Chagolla  
Executive Director

## IMPACT 2017-2018

### GET EVERYBODY FIT INITIATIVE

**Granted \$123,000 between 2016-2018** to support K-12 health and fitness programs for 26,036 students.

**Granted \$10,000** to support transportation for Afterschool Sports Programs for middle school students—serving over 1,200 students.

**Provided the “The Kid’s Fitness Challenge”** in the fall and spring with 850 participants.

**Piloted The Walking Classroom** with 38 4th graders at Balboa Elementary School.

### SECONDARY AREAS OF FOCUS

**Granted \$44,000 in Visual & Performing Arts and Science & Technology** to GUSD schools.

### MUSIC MATTERS

**Launched new campaign** to support music programs for secondary schools over the next two years.

*“I just want to say thank you for all of the contributions that GEF has made to our schools over the years. You have allowed us to offer Robotics for free, provided balls for the playground, instruments for our orchestra kids, and so much more. Thank you!”*

**Kristina Provost**  
Verdugo Woodlands Elementary School

## IN-DEPTH INFO PROGRAMS 2017-2018

### GET EVERYBODY FIT INITIATIVE

**Granted \$123,000** between 2016-2018 to support all K-12 health and fitness programs in Glendale schools for 26,036 students. Funding supported cardiovascular equipment, dance mats, sports balls and nets, team uniforms, and other necessary items.

**Granted \$10,000** to support transportation for Afterschool Sports Programs for middle school students—serving over 1,200 students. The program allows GUSD middle school students to participate in intramural sports activities that encourage fitness, teamwork, character development, and friendly competition across the four middle schools. Sports vary from flag football, basketball, soccer, volleyball to track.

**Provided the “The Kid’s Fitness Challenge”** in partnership with America’s Healthy Kids in the fall and spring with 850 Glendale kid’s participating in the fitness obstacle course. The events got kid’s moving and enjoying fitness.

**Piloted The Walking Classroom** with 38 4th graders at Balboa Elementary School. The program improves students physical, mental and academic health with a 20-minute brisk walk while students listen to kid-friendly educational podcasts preloaded onto a “WalkKit.”

### SCHOLASHARE 529 PILOT PROGRAM

**Granted \$10,000 to GUSD to provide \$100 deposits into 100 eligible GUSD students ScholarShare 529 College Savings Accounts.** 75 students enrolled in program. Savings accounts are a powerful tool to engage students in their future.

### TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM

**Launched the Teacher Grant Program**, a new initiative that provides direct grants to GUSD teachers in our three priority areas—Visual & Performing Arts, Science & Technology, and Health & Fitness.

**Awarded 14 teacher grants involving 21 GUSD teachers, totaling \$15,771** in funds to enrich and enhance learning environments at GUSD schools. Projects varied from a school-wide science garden, 4th grade musical performance, and providing access to musical instruments for students with limited motor skills and cognition. The success of the first year will see an expansion in 2018-2019 with \$20,000 allocated for year two.

### SECONDARY AREAS OF FOCUS

**Granted \$44,000 in Visual & Performing Arts and Science & Technology** for Arts Attack online curriculum for GUSD elementary classrooms and for lab needs in the science departments at the four high schools.

### MUSIC MATTERS

**Launched new campaign** from 2018-2020 to support music programs for the Glendale Unified secondary system (middle and high schools) to ensure that all secondary students have the resources.



# Historical Timeline

Since 2005, GEF has distributed over \$3.3 million to support and enrich the educational experiences and lives of over 26,000 GUSD students. Strategically focused on Key Focus Areas and related programs and activities that help students achieve Common Core State Standards adopted in California 2010. Key Focus Areas include Science & Technology; Visual & Performing Arts; and Health & Fitness.



**1983**

GEF is founded to enrich, enhance and fund programs and projects within the Glendale Unified School District (GUSD) that create healthy and quality learning environments for students, staff, parents and the community.



**2005**

State budget cuts reactivate GEF to restore partnership with GUSD.

Susan Hunt designated as GEF part-time staff.



**2010-2013**

Launched GEF Summer School, Inc.—a fully-accredited school providing services that accelerate and enhance over 1,000 students' academic program.



Granted \$400,000 over three years for the purchase and repair of over 1,250 musical instruments for 20 elementary schools, ensuring that every child who wants to play an instrument, can play an instrument.



**2010**

Susan Hunt becomes GEF Executive Director.



**2016**

Elsa Chagolla, new Executive Director joins GEF.

Susan Hunt retires.



**2014-2016**

Granted \$155,000 to GUSD for robotics kits for all grades at every school—increasing STEM opportunities for GUSD students.

**2018**

GEF consists of a 30-member volunteer board, one full time executive director and one part-time administrative assistant.



**2017**

Surveyed K-12 school principals in the 30 GUSD schools and applied data to determine GEF strategies and programs for 2018-19.



## 2017-18 Teacher Grant Recipient

### **Breanna Hutchinson**

**Clark Magnet High School**  
*Speed-a-way*

*"I am grateful to have been a beneficiary of the GEF Teacher Grant Program. The GEF grant allowed me to purchase equipment for my students to participate in a non-traditional game called Speed-a-way. My students now have the opportunity to engage in a fast paced game that combines soccer, football and basketball, that focuses on the manipulative skills of lifting, throwing, catching and punting. Not only will my present classes be able to take part in Speed-a-way, but future classes will too!"*





## 2017-18 GEF Pilot Program – The Walking Classroom

### Balboa Elementary

Mrs. Smith's 4th Grade Classroom

*"We want to express our gratitude to you all for allowing us to pilot The Walking Classroom. The program has been an amazing success! We are learning as we become healthier."*





# Students and Schools

- GUSD includes the geographic areas of Glendale, La Crescenta, Montrose and parts of La Canada-Flintridge.
- GUSD includes over 26,000 students and 30 K-12 schools. Students:
  - Come from a wide range of ethnic and cultural backgrounds:
  - 55% are White (includes Armenian, European, Middle Eastern and North African); 23% Hispanic/Latino; 18% Asian (includes Filipino); 1% African American/Black; and 3% Other.
  - Speak more than 52 languages.
  - Come from families that are economically challenged, with 55% of qualifying for federal meal programs.
- GUSD schools received a green performance level for all state indicators for California's 2017 Dashboard. Ten schools received all blue or green performance levels. (Blue and green indicate very high performance.)
- Nine GUSD schools have received National Blue Ribbon status; 26 schools honored as California Distinguished Schools; and GUSD is recognized as a leader in dual-immersion language programs.





# How GUSD Compares



## Glendale Unified School District

Student Enrollment	26,000
Number of K-12 schools	30
Median Household Income	\$54,677
Students qualifying for Free & Reduced Lunch	54.8%
English Learners	24%

## La Cañada Unified School District

Student Enrollment	4,000
Number of K-12 schools	4
Median Household Income	\$136,818
Students qualifying for Free & Reduced Lunch	1.1%
English Learners	8.6%



# Fiscal Performance



	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Income</b>		
Contributions + Grants	\$171,122	\$148,085
Special Events	\$134,794	\$163,947
Dividend Income	\$10,798	\$9,574
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$325,726</b>	<b>\$348,139</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Personnel	\$46,803	\$69,230
Operations	\$101,088	\$100,209
Endowment	\$10,984	\$12,024
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$158,875</b>	<b>\$181,463</b>
<b>Total GUSD Distribution</b>	<b>\$108,858</b>	<b>\$148,065</b>

*The figures above represent unaudited numbers.*



# THANK YOU!

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# Every School Every Student

## Stand Up for Every School and Every Student!

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We're always looking for committed volunteers to help us serve GUSD students. Email us at [info@glened.org](mailto:info@glened.org)

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