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**Edmonds
School District**

To Foundation Donors,

I am the child of Nigerian immigrants, who moved to the U.S. a year before they had me. Although I've resided in Western Washington my whole life, my parents were unfamiliar with American culture, and I had to teach myself how to navigate America. This included figuring out the process to apply and pay for college. So I searched for resources, asked questions, and received much help from a lot of great people, without which I might never have been accepted to the University of Washington. However, getting accepted was only the first obstacle.

Next, I had to figure out how I would go about paying for it. My mother and I had prolonged that conversation until it was unavoidable. I was prepared to look for a summer job and work into the school year, look for loans, and apply to as many scholarships as possible. Yet, it made me anxious to think of the overwhelming financial burden that tuition and other costs would place on my hard-working, single mother, who works two full-time jobs just so she can support me and my younger brothers.

Then I received the Hawks Helping Hawks and the Hazel Miller Memorial Scholarships. Your generosity has given me the chance to pursue my dream - a bioengineering major and a career in the biomedical sciences.

Without the help of the Foundation for Edmonds School District, I would've been unable to afford the cost of an education from the University of Washington, let alone derive so rich an experience as I have thus far. I sincerely thank you for believing that I had the potential to succeed at the UW. In granting me your financial assistance, you've helped me unlock a door of opportunity that would've otherwise been inaccessible.

With thanks,

Vera Okolo

Mountlake Terrace High '15



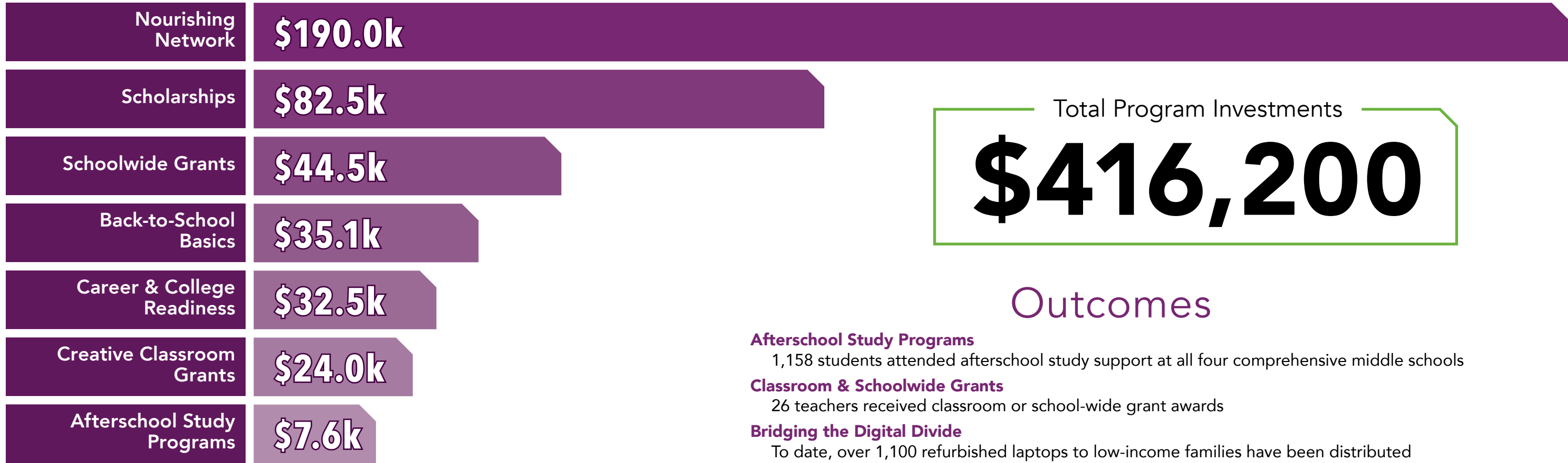
2015/2016 Annual Report

Foundation for **Edmonds School District**

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Shaping Students' Futures



Total Program Investments
\$416,200

Outcomes

- Afterschool Study Programs**
1,158 students attended afterschool study support at all four comprehensive middle schools
- Classroom & Schoolwide Grants**
26 teachers received classroom or school-wide grant awards
- Bridging the Digital Divide**
To date, over 1,100 refurbished laptops to low-income families have been distributed
- PSAT exams**
315 Juniors received stipends to take the PSAT exam
- World Language Test Fees**
194 students earned 625 world language credits in 31 different languages, and 30 students earned Washington State's seal of biliteracy
- College in the High School Tuition**
122 students, earned 610 college credits
- Post-Secondary Academic Scholarships**
Awarded \$82,500 in post-secondary scholarships to 52 graduating seniors
- Nourishing Network**
 - 4,573 weekend meals
 - 1,240 feminine hygiene kits
 - 550 hygiene kits
 - 350 holiday stockings
 - 60 holiday meals
 - 3 families saved from homelessness

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Foundation Programs

- Afterschool Study Programs**
Allows struggling students to receive homework and one-on-one academic support
- Classroom & Schoolwide Grants**
Small, innovative grants that support teacher instruction and enhance classroom learning environments
- Bridging the Digital Divide**
Distributing refurbished laptops to our low-income families without digital media at home
- PSAT Test Fees**
Pre-college tests offered to 3,000 junior students at all five comprehensive high schools
- World Language Test Fees**
Stipends for students to test proficient in their native language
- College in the High School Tuition**
Stipends to convert college level coursework into college credits
- Post-Secondary Scholarships**
Scholarships awarded to graduating ESD seniors to pursue post-secondary, vocational and college academic opportunities
- Nourishing Network**
A weekend meal program that supports for our homeless and at-risk students



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