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2016 annual report overview
ONCE EACH YEAR, THE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION publishes a report describing what has been accomplished and detailing the contributions that made it so. An annual report is a way of celebrating and thanking. The moments that make up this report occur every day, some visible and some not quite so.

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program EXPENDITURES

- Program services
- Scholarship grant awards
- Student loan awards

sources of SUPPORT

- ScholarShop, sales net of expenses
- Public support
- Student loan repayments
- Interest and gains (losses) on investments

loan dollars in the HANDS OF STUDENTS*

*Total student loan receivables before allowance for doubtful accounts

2016 allocation of FOUNDATION RESOURCES BY FUNCTION

- 90.8% PROGRAMS
  Including program services, student loans, and grants awarded
- 4.0% MANAGEMENT & GENERAL
- 5.2% FUNDRAISING
In 1920, The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis was founded as a committee of the National Council of Jewish Women by a group of women who believed that the key to a democratic society was an educated populace. They were concerned about families not being able to afford higher education, yet together, they were able to improve access to higher education for low-income students in the St. Louis community.

The Scholarship Foundation continues to believe that education transforms the lives of individuals and families who are then able to advance the economic and civic health of society. In its efforts to build a more prosperous and democratic community, The Scholarship Foundation provides access to postsecondary education to thousands annually through financial assistance, information, guidance, education policy advocacy, and collaborative work.

The Scholarship Foundation awards interest-free, fee-free loans and grants so students can earn postsecondary degrees and return to their communities to help society flourish. Alumni then repay their loans and community members, foundations, and corporations donate gifts to support students. Every dollar raised, every interest-free loan awarded, and each degree completed is another step toward access to higher education for all students who have the potential and desire to succeed.