



# 2020 Donor Investment Report



TRANSFORMING LIVES  
THROUGH  
TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES.

The Travel & Sports Legacy Foundation connects underserved youth and adult students with great careers, tourism enterprises with amazingly talented people, and our entire community with a more sustainable economic future. The Travel & Sports Legacy Foundation is a 501c3 organization established in 2017.

Thanks to the generous support of our donors, TSLF has enacted 10 programs and impacted 270 secondary and post-secondary school students in Arlington.

Our goal in the Arlington ISD is to prepare our students for their life after graduation. Our partnership with Mary German and the Travel & Sports Legacy Foundation allows us to do that. Through internships, tours, field trips, training exercises and scholarship opportunities, our students have received a taste of what their life can be like when they graduate. We're grateful for that partnership and excited to see where it takes us in the future.

Dr. Marcelo Cavazos  
Superintendent  
Arlington Independent School District

# COMMUNITY IMPACT

## TSLF Donor-Funded Programs

### Secondary Education Programs

- ❑ Job Readiness Program AHLEI Virtual Hotel Training & Certification Program
- ❑ Knowledge Matters Hotel Simulation Training
- ❑ 40 Futures Initiative (life skills training)
- ❑ Hospitality Symposium
- ❑ Career Field Trips (February 2020)
- ❑ TCC Tour and Bridge Stipend

### Post-Secondary Education Programs

- ❑ TCC Hospitality Management & Culinary Arts Program Scholarships
- ❑ Milestones Mentoring Program for TCC Scholarship Recipients
- ❑ U T Arlington Mavericks for Tourism Scholarship for Kinesiology/Sports Leadership & Management Program students
- ❑ Internships for UT Arlington Kinesiology/Sports Leadership & Management Program students

**\$80K**

Revenue Generated  
Up 27% from 2019

**\$6500**

In College  
Scholarship Funds  
Awarded to TCC  
and UT Arlington  
students

**8**

8 AISD Dan Dipert CTC Hospitality Services  
students Interned at two full-service hotels October 2019  
through February 2020

## Volunteer Hours

**2300**



## Grants Awarded

**5**

## Donors

**26**

The Southeast Campus of Tarrant County College has had a long-standing relationship with the Arlington Convention and Visitor Bureau. One of the highlights of our collaboration has been with our Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts Programs. Many of our graduates find gainful employment within the Entertainment District of Arlington directly related to the internships that they are afforded in these various venues. A large number of our students have received scholarships from the Travel and Sports Legacy Foundation and their success, in many cases, is dependent on these scholarships. We look forward to continuing to work with the Travel and Sports Legacy Foundation and are grateful for their continued support of our students.

Dr. Bill Coppola  
President

Tarrant County College | Southeast Campus

## Tarrant County College Scholarship Recipients and Milestones Mentoring Program Members



**Daniel Perez** graduated from Northside High School and is carrying a 4.0 GPA in TCC's Hospitality Management Program. He experienced a critical medical problem that took him to the brink of death. Grateful for his recovery, although long and arduous, Daniel puts his all into his schoolwork. "I want to own my own bed & breakfast or inn someday. It is a dream of mine, not many people know about it; it is one of risks and it takes dedication to succeed. The hospitality industry is down right now, and I have faith it will come back. I intend to take advantage of this scholarship and learn as much as I can about the world of hospitality. This scholarship will help me pursue my dream and set me on the right path

to reach my goals," Daniel writes. He is a big Texas Rangers fan and was happy to go to the last games at the old Globe Life Park. He is one of five children in a tight family and he is thankful for all the sacrifices his parents have made for him and his siblings over the years. Doing well in school will be a wonderful "thank you" back to them.



**Dollie Chevalier** is working on an AA degree in Hospitality at TCC's Southeast Campus. "My career goals consist of making dreams come true by making customers happy. I want them to relax, as I create experiences of a lifetime," she writes. She is enjoying all aspects of her education and feels she is on a path to preparing herself for a great career. "The DFW area has many attractions and there are so many great opportunities. I look forward to a position in the area that keeps me busy and challenges my skills," she states. This scholarship is particularly helpful in light

of the pandemic and all the work hour reductions she has faced.



**Amin Muhammad** has some big goals: “I want to be a contributor for the Hospitality industry, not only in academia but also in corporate. I want to bridge academia and the practical field. It’s my vision to bring the big names of the Hotel Industry (Hilton, Marriott, IHG, Wyndham) into academia support, making them academic partners for colleges and universities for the Hospitality Management field, not by their finances only (that’s an easy way out) but also by linking the learning of their employees and hotel partners to get college certifications. Simultaneously colleges can get huge numbers of internships and job fairs and a lot more,” he writes. He is thinking big for the

industry. Amin has a strong 3.75 GPA and is in the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at the TCC Southeast Campus. Amin provides care and living expenses for his ailing parents and also has a daughter who lives with him, so expenses are tight. He appreciates the support this scholarship provides.



**Jonathan Monges** is a graduate of Arlington High and participated in the AISD Dan Dipert CTC Hospitality Services & Culinary Arts Program. “This scholarship means that I now have the opportunity to pursue my education and career with less worries about ways to pay for college. It also means that my efforts in high school did not go unnoticed and that my overall dedication was worth pursuing to get to this point. My current education goals are to be able to pursue my culinary and hospitality career through Tarrant County College’s vast selection of courses and with this scholarship it makes it much easier for me to do so.”

It is important to remember the significant contributions the tourism and hospitality community makes to our city. Arlington will be growing with more than \$2 billion worth of improvements taking place in the next few years. TSLF provides the opportunity to introduce the world of hospitality to promising and smart talent, allowing them to create a career in a fast-paced and exciting industry, and budding the next new set of community leaders.

Ron Price  
President & CEO

# President's Message



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It is my privilege to serve as Interim President of the Travel and Sports Legacy Foundation this year. I believe strongly in its mission to provide training, coaching, mentoring, and other needed services to Arlington's underserved youth.

Since its inception, the TSLF has served our youth by providing career building programs including scholarships, internships, the 40 Futures Initiative – a life skills program, and the Milestones Mentoring Program.

In recent years, the foundation, in collaboration with the Arlington Entertainment Area Management District, provided trolley transportation for AISD Dan Dipert Center students to participate in the hotel internship program at the Sheraton Arlington and Hilton Arlington. Thank you to our donors for your continued support of TSLF programs!

TSLF provides students with the tools and skills necessary for them to develop a career rather than just a series of jobs. Our services will allow young adults to become self-sufficient and upwardly mobile citizens to benefit not only themselves, but their families and our community as a whole.

TSLF is seeking to expand our programs so that we can assist more students in developing a career path in the Hospitality, Sports, and Travel and Leisure industry. One new program in development is the Pipeline Program. Work has already begun on collaboration with AISD to develop a system that can identify students at the junior high level who are interested in hospitality careers. TSLF believes that early identification of career goals coupled with proper assistance in developing their career paths will foster additional success.

TSLF was founded in October 2017; however, our mission was conceived following an Arlington CVB Board Meeting earlier that year. Later, conversations about how we might more effectively help youth develop a career rather than just a series of jobs led to the creation of TSLF programs we have today.

Although we have come a long way and are accomplishing our goals, there is much more to be done. Would you join us in this innovative program designed to give the students the skills they need to create prosperity?

*Peter Scott*

TSLF provides tourism job training, scholarships, mentoring and internship programs for underserved youth and adult students in our community and connects tourism employers to an emerging workforce.

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