

# HELP SUPPORT LOCAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS WITH YOUR DONATION

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Tahoe Donner Cares is the annual campaign of the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund. Every year, your fellow members contribute a tax-deductible gift which is used to support area non-profits and scholarships for local high school graduates. Won't you join us?

Now in our third year, the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund has made scholarships to five graduates of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District, and grants to 12 non-profits serving our greater community—totaling over \$42,000. With your help of even a small donation, we can meet our goal of growing that number to \$100,000 annually. We can do that if just 15% of our members contributed an average of \$100 per year.

The scholarships are granted to students with a grade point average of at least 3.0 and a demonstrated financial need. Past recipients have included two single mothers heading to four-year schools, a student studying to be a firefighter/EMT, and a student studying for a degree in automotive technology. These kids have incredibly compelling stories that appeared in prior TD News articles. It is wonderful to be able to help them fulfill their dreams!

The non-profits support a variety of good works, including arts and culture, environmental education, senior services and at-risk youth services. These are the organizations that make Truckee/North Tahoe the wonderful place it is.

We especially invite our part-time homeowners to make a contribution. When visiting occasionally and enjoying our amazing place, it is easy to not see the substantial needs within the greater community. The community needs us, and the Giving Fund is an easy way to show that Tahoe Donner Cares!

To make a contribution, go to [tahoedonner.com/giving-fund](http://tahoedonner.com/giving-fund) and click on the Donate Now button. Alternatively, in November you will receive your annual assessment with a form to send in a donation check with your assessment payment. Thank you for adding the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund to your annual philanthropy!

## PAST GRANT RECIPIENTS

Arts for the Schools, Biking for a Better World, Boys and Girls Club of North Tahoe, Community Recovery Resources, Headwaters Science Institute, North Tahoe Arts, Project MANA, Sierra Senior Services, Sierra Watershed Education Partnership, SOS Outreach, Tahoe Food Hub, Truckee Community Theater, plus scholarships to five local high school graduates.

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