

#### Friends of the Children Scholarship Board

The Scholarship Board is a group of Friends of the Children supporters committed to assisting students who have completed our program in paying for tuition and expenses at traditional four-year colleges, community colleges, and trade and vocational schools.

"We will provide support and financial assistance to guide you along your path, wherever that may lead."

- Tim Rasch, Board Chair



"I am excited about what has been going on in my life and the growth I have accomplished. I feel that I am truly blessed to have had the opportunities that most people do not get. Friends of the Children has helped me so much to beat adversity and to learn how to attain whatever I put my mind and my talents to."

- Sam Ford Scholarship recipient University of Oregon Alum Beyond helping youth financially, the Scholarship Board is dedicated to helping Friends of the Children graduates gain experience that will help them on their career path.

Whether that's an informational interview or connecting the graduate with an employer to provide work experience, the Scholarship Board is able to draw on their networks to help youth gain connections and access they may not otherwise have.

# Invest in the Future

Scholarship awards between \$1,000-\$1,500 can make the difference in providing access to post-secondary opportunities that can open doors to Friends of the Children graduates. We need your help to make their dreams come true.

Please consider making an investment in the future of our youth in one of the following ways:

- Make a tax deductible donation to the scholarship fund.
- Become a member of the Scholarship Board.

#### **Scholarship Board Members**

Connor Miller - Chair Deltek

Tim Rasch - Chair Larry Sherwood & Assoc.

Sage Carter Community Leader

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**Lisa Owens** The Owens Lacy Team

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# Recipients Have Attended:

Alma School of Midwifery
Benedict College
Clark Community College
IBS School of Cosmetology
International Air Academy
Lane Community College
Mt. Hood Community College
Oregon State University
Portland Community College
Portland State University
Santa Clara University
Scottsdale Community College
University of Oregon
Western Oregon University

#### Friends of the Children

Friends of the Children breaks the cycle of generational poverty by giving children facing the highest risks the ability to create a new story. This brings life transformation to the most vulnerable children and tremendous economic impact to our community.

## Friends Helps Children Facing the Highest Risks Dramatically Change Their Stories

Our model is courageous, unique, and proven. We provide each child with a salaried, professional mentor, who we call a Friend, from kindergarten through graduation.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  years. No matter what.

### We have many stories of the highest-risk children realizing their potential:

83% graduate from high school, while 60% have parents who did not. 93% avoid the juvenile justice system, while 50% have parents who were incarcerated.

98% avoid early parenting, while 85% were born to a teen parent.

#### Your impact:

Our model makes economic sense. Every dollar invested in Friends of the Children returns more than \$7.00 to the community! Helping one child saves our nation \$900,000.

We aren't just changing the stories of the children facing the highest risks; we're also changing the collective stories of our community for the long run. Our work is focused on one child at a time, but it affects everyone.

