



Annual Fund Report

Providence: A Christian Montessori Community - Annual Fund Report 2025

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Purpose and Mission

Purpose:

To provide direction for the Annual Fund and coordinate related activities. The Annual Fund was created to further the life of the school community without putting undue regular fundraising burden on the students, family, and staff.

Mission:

To responsibly steward the Annual Fund activities for the betterment of the Providence community and the glory of God.

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What is The Providence Annual Fund?

The Providence Fund expands and enriches the educational opportunities available to the children *beyond what our tuition and regular programming can provide*. Just like everything at Providence: It's student driven through our unique Grants in Action process.

This is a fund that can accept many types of gifts including cash, securities, real estate, insurance, real property, and tangible personal property, among others.

Because of the unique nature of some assets the School Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse gifts that are not in the best interest of the school.

There are several giving methods to allow donors to choose what is most appropriate for their circumstances and interests:

- Outright Gifts
- Cash Gifts
- Pledges
- Endowment Funds
- GiHs of Securities
- Planned Gifts
- Non-traditional investments
- Real Estate
- Gifts-in-Kind
- Corporate Matching Gifts
- Campaign Gifts
- Memorial & Honorary Gifts

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Providence Annual Fund Performance

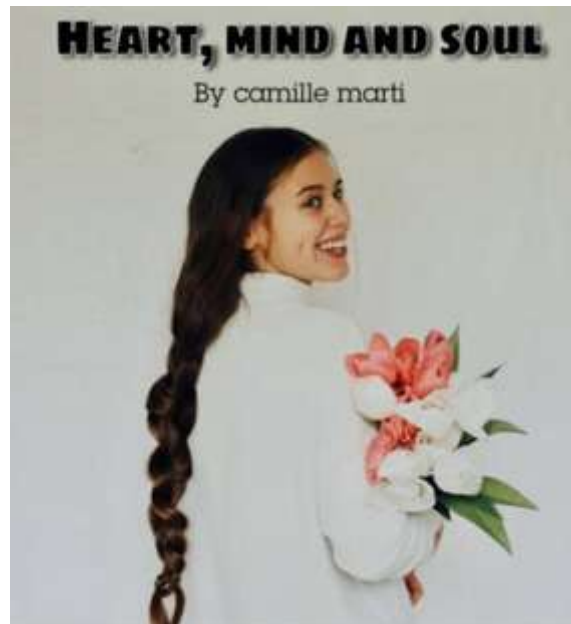
- 2025 Goal: increase the number of donors to the annual fund.
 - There was an increase from 35% to 90% of parent population giving!

- As of 6/23/25 total funds raised = \$43,186
 - \$5,050 of which was earmarked for financial aid
 - \$700 of which are earmarked for the Food Forest project
 - \$22,251 specifically designated for Grants in Action
 - 9 projects were funded by Grants in Action through Providence Annual Fund, 100% of which were student driven through the Grants in Action Application.
 - 35% increase from previous giving year
 - The largest percentage of donors are parents with the largest contributing group of parents from elementary students at 100% participation.

- 2026 Goal: maintain a robust annual fund while inviting participation in our comprehensive campaign.

- 2026 Fund Goal Amount = \$45,000

In Loving Memory of our first High School graduate, and daughter of our founder, Camille Marti.



Camille Marti Memorial Fund

This fund is established to honor the memory of Camille Marti that will continue her legacy of generosity.

Camille was a shining light in our lives. She was in our Montessori Community since the age of two years old and grew into an incredible and accomplished young woman. Camille was Providence's first-ever high school graduate and was a source of joy for those many years. She earned pre-nursing courses at Alamance Community College and graduated at 16. In her gap

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year, she established a weekly podcast called Heart, Mind, and Soul, where she shared an enormous amount of wisdom for her age.

Camille attended Hope Corp, a program that allows young people to take courses to prepare to minister to our world. Growing up, she served in many ministry opportunities, such as helping establish a Montessori program in Kenya, Africa, serving in the nursing home ministry, being a Sunday school teacher, serving in van ministry, singing in the choir, Bible quizzing, and street ministry in Los Angeles.

While in nursing school at East Central in Mississippi, she led many people to a deeper walk with God and saw many miracles of lives transformed. She graduated in May 2024 and was hired as a Labor and Delivery nurse in Texas, where she would marry her fiancé on August 30th.

Her abundant life ended abruptly on June 14, 2024, when a drunk driver hit her vehicle head-on, ending her life and her friend, Lauren Stacks, who had been married for 19 days.

Camille's persistence was a testament to her character. She never let anything stop her, and her light continues to shine on. Her purpose and passion to serve others, which she developed in powerful ways as a student at Providence, was truly inspiring. In many ways, she was the inspiration for our school, being the daughter of our founder, Denise Marti.

A building will be erected in her honor at our location at 3232 Pond Rd. This building, designed by global education design leaders, Education Design International, will serve as a beacon of hope and support for students, carrying on Camille's legacy for generations to come.

The Hope Corp Scholarship, established in her honor, will provide opportunities for students who share Camille's passion and values, instilling hope for the future.

- 2025 Recipients: Hayden Davis, Gracelyn Bowman, Emele

We invite you to join us in celebrating a Life Well Lived, as we remember Camille's remarkable achievements and the impact she had on our community. Your support is greatly appreciated as we honor her memory and continue her legacy.

Uses of Annual Fund Dollars Through Grants In Action

Outdoor Furniture

The TMMA students recognized a need for a comfortable and useful outdoor furniture set around the new High School building to provide space for productive group meetings, study sessions and social interactions outside of structured classwork.



New Garden Hose

Grants in Action funds went to purchase a new garden hose that was determined to be a need after some thoughtful problem solving by our TMMA students. A need was recognized, some research was completed and a problem was solved. This seemingly simple purchase was the result of much student-led problem-solving and has been a favorite purchase from the students as some of our younger students worked hard to find the best solution.



HedgeHog Love

The elementary students wanted to bring back their class pet, a cute and spikey HedgeHog named Pepper. They found her via a breeder in Hillsborough and made the request to purchase her for the class.



New Toddler Room Rugs

Did you know licensed childcare centers are not allowed to have wall to wall carpet? So it is important for us to find the right balance of comfortable places for our toddlers to work on the floor. Grants in Action allowed for us to maintain compliance for all NC daycare facilities regulations, and provided a nice refresh of the toddler space for our students and teachers to enjoy.



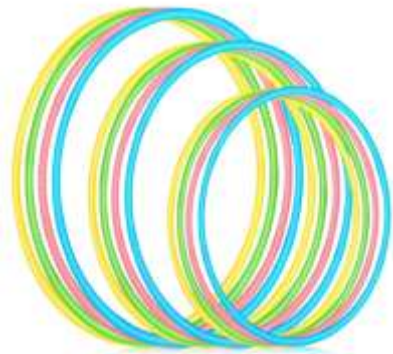
Science & Technology

The funds were used to provide new science equipment and learning tools for our TMMA students to further broaden their knowledge and skills. The students identified tools that they found interesting and wanted to use to learn about new concepts. TMMA was also able to purchase additional technology such as laptops for students to utilize for projects, daily classwork, internships, etc.



Outdoor Play & MORE

Students saw a need for additional engaging outdoor play opportunities in the OLE space and helped identify equipment, games, etc. to purchase for the toddler and primary students to enjoy. Our older students recognize the importance of outdoor play in their own montessori educational journeys and love and care for our younger students, which helped encourage their desire to enhance the OLE space.



- **Lifecoaching:** Meet Ms Janessa - Life Coach Grants help pay for students with a financial need to obtain life coaching. Life coaching is a fantastic alternative to counseling for many students.
- **Western North Carolina** donations to help black mountain home after the storms
- **Scholarships:** Last year we gave over \$25,000 in additional financial aid above the opportunity scholarships. \$16,000 of that was raised by a large community innovative leadership award and Annual Fund giving.
- **Food Forest:** Grants in Action funded the design, soil, grading, tree removal and pathway gravel: \$10,000 of a \$40,000 Project

Future Plans and Outlook

The next goal for the Annual Fund is to increase total giving to \$45,000. The intent for these funds are to continue to support the grants in action program for all students at Providence to continue to use.

The Annual Fund is designed to grow into a fund that not only supports Grants in Action, but other more substantial projects for the students and our community. The growth needed to achieve such goals with the Fund is based on increasing regular, recurring donors. Recurring donors can give in a variety of methods, so we encourage donors to find the method best suited for their needs, whether it be recurring giving via credit card online, or via FACTS account withdrawals, etc.

If there are any questions on the annual fund, please do not hesitate to reach out to Aerial Miller, Philanthropy Committee Chair, at aerial.h.miller@gmail.com.

Thank you,
The Philanthropy Committee