



# **DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI) FUNDS AND FUNDRAISING**

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# SUMMARY

American universities, especially in the wake of George Floyd and Black Lives Matter, have established funds that focus on the advancement of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) inside the institutions. The purpose of these funds range from the establishment of identity-based scholarships to funding DEI related programming on campuses.

While President Trump's Executive Orders have incentivized universities to take down webpages and halt DEI related programmings, it does not mean that these institutions are necessarily ending these practices permanently. In some cases that are captured in this report, universities just rebranded the fund(s) or program. Below is one such example which features the same giving account number under different labels.

To date, we have been able to track down over **\$373,344,424 in donations** to fund institution DEI programs, scholarships, and offices. While some of the funding has been tracked down via "Day of Giving" style campaign webpages, the vast majority of the money has been traced through university announcements, webpages, and reports. The information contained in this report primarily covers the years from 2021 to present with one or two exceptions noted below.

For example, in a now deleted University of Michigan report titled "**Infrastructure Item: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fundraising**," it states that according to "those units able to identify their DEI funds, U-M raised over **\$98,665,269** for a wide range of DEI initiatives and funds, including scholarships for first-generation students." The university also established a "George Floyd Memorial Scholarship" and "scholarship fund" in the wake of that event. The report time frame is from FY2016 to FY2021.

## DEI Stats

44

number of states (plus the District of Columbia) where funds for DEI exist

130

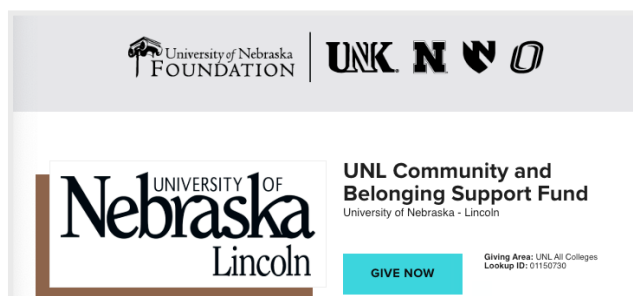
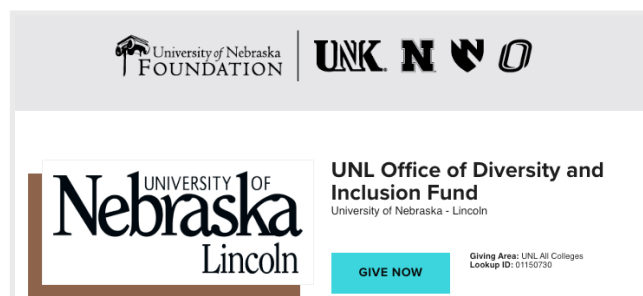
Number of colleges and universities with funds specifically for DEI programming

281

Number of DEI funds

\$373.3M

Total amount of DEI donations/funding tracked





Additionally, in 2022, the University of Connecticut's UCONN Foundation **donated** \$23 million towards diversity, equity, and inclusion with the intent to "support important DEI factors, such as diversity of race, socioeconomics, and gender and sexual identity."

According to a 2023 University of Delaware **report**, the university was able to raise \$21 million to expand its diversity, equity, and inclusion programming. One of the funds included in the donor haul was it's "**Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, or JEDI, Fund**" which states that support "helps provide programs, resources and opportunities to cultivate educated and empowered individuals who not only understand the origins of societal challenges related to equity and social justice but also have the tools to create solutions to address them."

In 2023, the University of Illinois' Grainger College of Engineering and Mechanical Science & Engineering Alumni Board **contributed** \$100,000 to the department's "**Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative**" to "help support scholarships for undergraduates, a mentoring program, an invited lecture series, and travel grants for undergraduates and graduate students to attend DEI meetings."

Meanwhile, the University of California, Berkeley collected \$186,420 in donations for "Increasing Diversity and Opportunity at Cal" during its "**Big Give 2025**" campaign.

We aim to highlight these funds as well as current and past DEI-based programs in higher education. This report contains both current and archived university webpages which highlight these DEI funds and the purpose for them.

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The Office of University Development (OUD) continues to work in collaboration with chief development officers in every school, college and unit to identify their top DEI fundraising priorities and which of the university's active gift funds serve a purpose related to DEI.

## DEI 1.0 Evaluation Update

From those units able to identify their DEI funds, U-M raised over \$98,665,269 for a wide range of DEI initiatives and funds, including scholarships for first-generation students, during DEI 1.0.

In planning for the next fundraising campaign, DEI remains a foundational element of the campaign themes, and leadership has further emphasized the need to include DEI fundraising within university-wide initiatives. At the unit level, campaign planning meetings with each school, college and unit include discussion of their DEI-specific priorities and how they can be supported by the unit's campaign plan.

## UCONN NATION DONATES \$23 MILLION IN SUPPORT OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

 Meagan Fazio  2 min read



UConn Nation continues to prove its commitment to creating a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive UConn community. Whether contributing to scholarships, endowing new funds, or joining important and educational conversations, our alumni and donors were a force for change in fiscal 2022. Their generosity and engagement strengthened the UConn Foundation's support for the University's critical work related to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

### EXPANDING DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (JEDI) FUND | SOCIAL JUSTICE PEER EDUCATORS | RESOURCES TO INSPIRE SUCCESSFUL ENGINEERS (RISE) | SPECTRUM SCHOLARS



Part of the human experience is to seek acceptance, belonging and meaningful connections. At the University of Delaware, we want to ensure everyone feels like they belong and are a valued part of the Blue Hen family. Throughout Delaware First, generous donors have helped bolster the University's efforts, creating new experiences, resources and opportunities that foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for all.



\$21 million for diversity, equity and inclusion was raised by 6,900 donors



# KEY TAKEAWAYS

- The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) School of the Arts and Architecture includes its “Anti-racism Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion” program which includes the **UCLA Arts Racial Equity Fund** which is an “AEDI scholarship fund established to support the realization of a more inclusive, equitable, and representative School of the Arts and Architecture with an emphasis on recruitment and retention practices rooted in diversifying our school community,” and was “created to address disparities in representation, to increase access to education, to strengthen the recruitment and retention of under-represented students.”
- The University of Southern California’s Race and Equity Center features a “**National DEI Defense Fund**” that is intended to be used to counter anti-DEI efforts such as “ban books,” the elimination of “diversity and inclusion educational programs,” and the suppression of the “teaching of truths about America’s racial past and present.”
- Naropa University’s (CO) **support page** includes making donations to the university’s “Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Scholarship” fund and its “Psychedelic Studies BIPOC Scholarship Fund.”
- In 2021, Florida International University’s Foundation **raised** \$10,000,000 for diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives including \$4,000,000 from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to “establish the Digital Transformation Program at StartUP FIU Food, an online platform to help people of color who are food entrepreneurs expand their businesses to the digital marketplace.”
- The University of Michigan states in a removed **webpage** that from 2016–2021 it raised \$98,665,269 for “a wide range of DEI initiatives and funds, including scholarships for first-generation students.”
- University at Buffalo’s (NY) **School of Law Social Justice and Racial Equity Fund** states that it is “designed to support a variety of initiatives, including diversity scholarships and fellowships, bar exam support for students of color, the Discover Law program for underrepresented students considering law school, and training and programming on racial justice topics.”

# EXAMPLES

## University of Southern California (CA)

The University of Southern California's **National DEI Defense Fund** states that it is “one of many ways the USC Race and Equity Center is countering politicized efforts to ban books, eliminate diversity and inclusion educational programs, and suppress the teaching of truths about America’s racial past and present” and is “committed to using evidence to protect the rights of students and families from misinformation, and to ensure that educators are able to responsibly prepare equity-minded citizens.”

Contributions to the fund will be used to “purchase and mail free DEI-focused books to students,” “offer financial support to high-quality DEI-focused educational programs and initiatives that have been disadvantaged by politicized, ill-informed budget cuts,” “provide legal support,” “raise national consciousness about threats to democracy and support the formation of DEI defense coalitions across the country,” and “deploy trusted experts who can testify in anti-DEI legislative hearings and provide evidence-informed guidance to K-12 and higher education leaders, school board members, and elected officials.”

The screenshot shows the website for the USC Race and Equity Center's National DEI Defense Fund. The header includes the USC logo and navigation links for Resources & Tools, News & Events, Giving, and a dropdown menu for the center. A secondary navigation bar lists categories: About, K-12 Schools & Districts, Colleges & Universities, Businesses & Agencies, and Research & Assessment. The main banner features a background image of a classical building and a red banner with the text 'National DEI Defense Fund' and a graphic of raised fists. A text box on the right explains the fund's purpose and includes a 'DONATE NOW' button. Below this, a section titled 'YOUR CONTRIBUTION WILL HELP' lists eight ways contributions are used, each with an icon and a brief description.

**USC Race and Equity Center** RESOURCES & TOOLS NEWS & EVENTS GIVING USC University of Southern California

ABOUT K-12 SCHOOLS & DISTRICTS COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES BUSINESSES & AGENCIES RESEARCH & ASSESSMENT

# National DEI Defense Fund

Establishing the National DEI Defense Fund is one of many ways the USC Race and Equity Center is countering politicized efforts to ban books, eliminate diversity and inclusion educational programs, and suppress the teaching of truths about America's racial past and present. We're committed to using evidence to protect the rights of students and families from misinformation, and to ensure that educators are able to responsibly prepare equity-minded citizens.

Politicized attacks on diversity, equity, and inclusion pose serious threats to democracy. Please join us in protecting the rights of students, parents, and educators by making a tax-deductible gift today.

**DONATE NOW**

## YOUR CONTRIBUTION WILL HELP

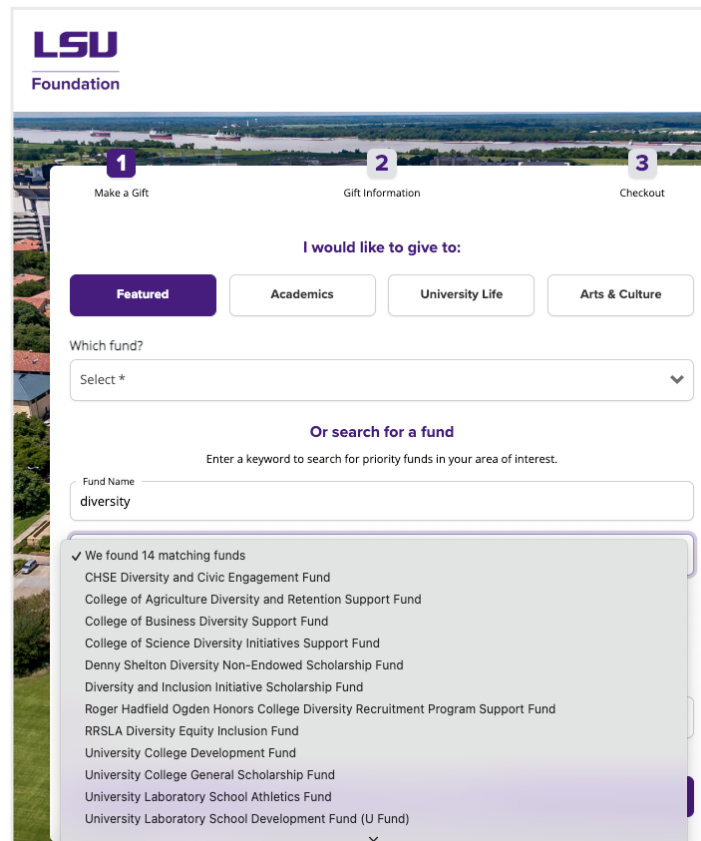
- Purchase and mail free DEI-focused books** to students who attend schools in states and districts that have enacted book bans.
- Offer financial support** to high-quality DEI-focused educational programs and initiatives that have been disadvantaged by politicized, ill-informed budget cuts.
- Provide legal support** to educators who are fired or sued for teaching the truth about America's racial past and present.
- Raise national consciousness** about threats to democracy and support the formation of DEI defense coalitions across the country.
- Support afterschool programs** that teach students DEI-focused content that has been banned in public educational institutions.
- Deliver free, high-quality professional development experiences** to educators in states and districts that have prohibited spending public funds on DEI-focused workshops.
- Fund research** that explores what is (and isn't) being taught in schools, as well as studies on the impact of anti-DEI policies on students, educators, families, and democracy.
- Deploy trusted experts** who can testify in anti-DEI legislative hearings and provide evidence-informed guidance to K-12 and higher education leaders, school board members, and elected officials.

# Louisiana State University (LA)

Louisiana State University's Manship School of Mass Communication appears to have rebranded its **"Diversity, Equity and Media Grant"** programming to the **"Manship School's Izard and Scripps Pilot Grant"** program.

The school states that the grants "support research projects that analyze the dialogue and action that combat racism, institutional discrimination and systematic oppression."

The "selected proposals are funded by the Ralph S. Izard Race and Media Studies fund and the Scripps Howard Race and Media Fund" which reflect the school's "commitment to supporting research that analyzes and reports findings related to racism, institutional discrimination and systematic oppression."





# Loyola University Maryland (MD)

Loyola University Maryland's **Diversity-Justice (D-J) Requirement Fund** states that its mission is to “support faculty in their efforts to infuse diversity and justice content into their courses and to support them in the process of applying to get these courses D-J designated.”

To help achieve the university's core values and aims, all “students admitted to Loyola under the AY24-25 Academic Catalogue and later are required to successfully complete two Diversity-Justice designated courses anywhere in their curriculum.”

## Diversity-Justice (D-J) Course Requirement

- [Apply to the Diversity Justice Requirement Fund](#)
- [Overview](#)
- [Application Process](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [History of the Diversity-Justice Requirement at Loyola](#)
- [Contact Us](#)

### Apply to the Diversity Justice Requirement Fund

The mission of the D-J Requirement fund is to support faculty in their efforts to infuse diversity and justice content into their courses and to support them in the process of applying to get these courses D-J designated. Funds can be used for: faculty time (such as supplemental summer pay or course buy-outs dependent on departmental approval), books, online resources, off-site training, hosting a training or workshop at Loyola, etc. Applicants can be individual faculty members, groups of faculty members, a department, a division, etc. For example, an individual faculty member might apply to purchase books or pay for specific training to help them design a new D-J course, whereas a department might apply to fund hosting a workshop that would facilitate the development of a number of D-J courses or facilitate conceptualization and implementation of how the major D-J requirement can best be achieved for majors in their department.

Applications will be reviewed by the Diversity Justice Course Requirement Committee and will be accepted on a rolling basis with review beginning Feb 1st, 2024 (applications will continue to be accepted/reviewed beyond this date). To apply, please complete the questions provided in [Teams Forms at this link](#). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Diversity-Justice Requirement Committee at [djrqcommittee@loyola.edu](mailto:djrqcommittee@loyola.edu), or Jason Prenoveau at [jmprenoveau@loyola.edu](mailto:jmprenoveau@loyola.edu).

## Overview

The Diversity-Justice requirement is one way in which Loyola University Maryland carries out its mission to prepare students to learn, lead, and serve in a diverse and changing world. Loyola University Maryland's core values and learning aims call upon the curriculum to prepare students to be aware of, appreciate, and celebrate human differences and their consequences at the individual, social, cultural, and global levels and to dedicate themselves to develop a sense of solidarity with and care for all who struggle for justice. To help achieve these core values and learning aims, students admitted to Loyola under the AY24-25 Academic Catalogue and later are required to successfully complete two Diversity-Justice designated courses anywhere in their curriculum (it is one Diversity designated course for those admitted under earlier Academic Catalogues).

Diversity-Justice designated course sections are identified in the Course Catalog under Course Types. Although a listing of recent courses that have been Diversity-Justice designated can be found here, it should be noted that not all sections of these courses will necessarily be Diversity-Justice designated.

While other courses throughout the curriculum will touch on diversity and justice-related issues, diversity-justice course designation is reserved for those courses with particular depth of inquiry.

# Carnegie Mellon University (PA)

The Tepper School of Business' **Community and Inclusion Fund** states that it will “provide funding for events, programs and initiatives that support diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging” which include “cultural celebrations,” “educational speakers,” “DEI&B awareness programs,” and “academic course development and research.”

According to a September 9, 2024, [news release](#), the “Community & Inclusion Fund” was used for a variety of events, activities, and programming such as a “Pink Party” event that “supports Pittsburgh Sisters, an organization that focuses on Black trans women in Pittsburgh.”

## About

You have the power to energize the Tepper Community and Inclusion Fund today!

Your gift to the **Tepper Community & Inclusion Fund** will provide funding for events, programs and initiatives that support diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging, including:

- Cultural celebrations
- Educational speakers
- DEI&B awareness programs
- Academic course development and research

Previous contributions supported the Lunar New Year Gala, Out&Allied's Pink Party, the National Black MBA Conference alumni and student reception, and DEI&B Alumni Club Awards.

Questions? Contact Dawn DiBartolo, Director of Philanthropic Engagement, at [dawnd@cmu.edu](mailto:dawnd@cmu.edu) or 412-268-2024.

Giving CMU Day is your chance to illuminate the next bright idea for the Tepper Community and Inclusion Fund! 💡

## The C&I Fund Builds Cultural Bridges and Appreciation

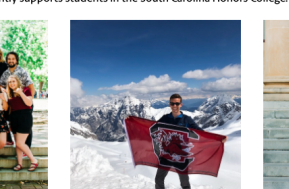
The fund has been used to welcome and help onboard the latest cohort of international MBA students and enhance their sense of belonging in their new community via guided tours of the Tepper School building and the Carnegie Museum of Art and National History; a luncheon at Schenley Park; a happy hour social at Mario's; and Molly's Trolley Bus Tour of Pittsburgh.

Another C&I Fund recipient, Out&Allied (a Tepper MBA LGBTQ+ Club) used funds for their Pink Party, an exciting event that also supports Pittsburgh Sisters, an organization that focuses on Black trans women in Pittsburgh. Wellness Week, targeting health and well-being, is another example of how the funds are being utilized.

C&I Funding is used by student clubs for cultural events, such as the annual Hispanic Heritage Gala and the Lunar New Year Gala. The latter gala is presented in February by the Asian Business Association (ABA) MBA group, and the group's President, Napasorn Phiphobmongkol (“Mo”), has been involved in the planning and execution of it since its inception in 2023.

# University of South Carolina (SC)

The University of South Carolina honors college [support page](#) featured a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion fund that supported “initiatives that cultivate an inclusive environment where all students are respected and have a sense of belonging.” **Currently, this fund has been removed from the college website, but it can be found here as an [archived page](#).**



**Our Priority Funds**

You may designate your gift to any of the Honors College funds described below. When you [give online](#), you will have an opportunity to specify what you would like to support.

Each of these funds currently supports students in the South Carolina Honors College.

**SCHC Carolina Fund »**

The Carolina Fund allows the college to direct funds to where the need is the greatest. At this time, most unrestricted gifts are used to support student scholarships.

**Beyond The Classroom »**

The Beyond the Classroom fund supports our students who study abroad, conduct research, receive an internship or engage in service learning.

**Diversity, Equity and Inclusion »**

Our DEI fund supports initiatives that cultivate an inclusive environment where all students are respected and have a sense of belonging.

**SCHC Undergraduate Research Fellowship Fund »**

Our research fellowships provide funding for students participating in research under the guidance of USC faculty members.

**National Fellowship Finalists Support Fund »**

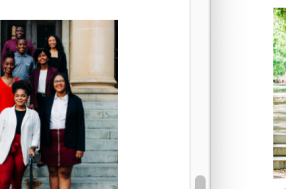
Supports students pursuing national fellowships as they prepare for and travel to national interviews, initial start-up needs and gaps in living expenses during the fellowship period.

**Hark Community Building Fund »**

Provides Honors students with opportunities like First-Year Flotilla, Family Weekend Picnic, Honors Gala and more so that students can find their place in the South Carolina Honors College and thrive.

**Additional Funds**

Honors College Undergraduate Research Fellowship Fund



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# UNIVERSITIES

The following is not a comprehensive list. As universities continue to remove webpages, links may be taken down or redirected. These will be updated whenever possible.

*An \* denotes that an archived page has been used in place of the original because that institution has removed the specific webpage.*

## Alabama

*Auburn University*

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fundraising (2021)**  
– \$907,400

*University of Alabama*

**Culture and Success Support Fund**

*University of Alabama Birmingham*

**Blazer Allies Education Fund**

## Alaska

*University of Alaska Anchorage*

**2023 Giving Day – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at UAA** – \$2,910

## Arizona

*Arizona State University*

**ASU Black African Coalition Student Scholar Fund**  
**College of Global Futures (CGF) Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Fund**

*University of Arizona*

**2024 Giving Day – Diversity & Inclusion** – \$3,225  
**2025 Fund for Education Abroad**  
**Diversity and Inclusion General Funds**  
**Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Arts Fund**

## California

*California Polytechnic Institute\**

**Bailey College of Science and Mathematics – Inclusion and Equity Fund**  
**University Diversity & Inclusion Fund**

*California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt*  
**Laura Frank and Eric Wier Natural Resources Scholarship Endowment**

*California State University Chico*

**Office of Diversity and Inclusion**

*Loyola Marymount University*

**SOE Black, Indigenous and People of Color Doctoral Scholarship Fund**

*Otis College of Art and Design*

**JEDI Innovation Fund**

*Sacramento State University*

**2024 Give Sac State Day – Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity & Access** – \$26,102

*Santa Clara University*

**2024 Day of Giving – Inclusive Excellence** – \$359,715  
**Black Excellence Scholarship Fund**

*Scripps College*

**2020 – Racial Justice and Equity Fund**  
**Donation** – \$1,000,000

*Stanford University*

**DIF: Diversity and Inclusion Innovation Funds**  
**The Solidarity Fund**

*University of California, Berkeley*

**2020-2021 Division of Equity and Inclusion fundraising** – \$34,000,000

**2021 Giving Day – Division of Equity & Inclusion** – \$1,825  
**Cal Athletics Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging and Justice Office**

- **2024 Giving Day – Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging and Justice** – \$7,622

**College of Chemistry**

- **Big Give 2025 – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund** – \$1950

**Big Give 2025 – Increasing Diversity and Opportunity at Cal** – \$186,420

## **The Black Graduation Fund The Green Initiative Fund**

*University of California, Davis*  
School of Medicine

- **Fund for Inclusion, Diversity and Social Justice**
- **Give Day 2025 – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – \$27,260**

*University of California, Irvine*  
**2022 Giving Day – Black Thriving Initiative – \$28,385**

*University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)*  
Institute of American Cultures

- **2024 –Morgan and Helen Chu Chair in Asian American Studies and the Helen and Morgan Chu Director’s Chair of the Asian American Studies Center – Donation – \$10,000,000**
- **Social Welfare Racial Justice Fellowship Fund**

School of the Arts and Architecture

- **UCLA Arts Racial Equity Fund**

*University of California, San Francisco*  
**School of Medicine – Dean’s Diversity Fund**

*University of California, Santa Barbara*  
**Cassandra Jaelie Stewart Memorial Scholarship Fund**

*University of Southern California*  
Funds

- **USC Race and Equity Center – National DEI Defense Fund**

## **Colorado**

*Fort Lewis College*  
**2024 Giving Day – Diversity Collaborative – \$7530**

*Metropolitan State University of Denver*  
**Office of Education Solutions:**

- **Educators of Principle Program Fund**
- **Trauma-Informed Practices Fund**
- **Call Me MiSTER**

**School of Education:**

- **Dr. Rosemarie Allen Family Endowment**

*Naropa University*  
**Funds**

- **Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Scholarship**
- **Psychedelic Studies BIPOC Scholarship Fund**

*University of Colorado Boulder*  
**JILA JEDI Fund\***

*University of Denver*  
**CU President’s Diversity Fund for Development and Support Diversity Funds**

- **Black Male Initiative Summit Gift Fund**
- **Black Women Lead Fund**
- **E-Stem (Equity in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)**
- **LGBTQ Programming and Events Gift Fund**
- **Social Justice Living Learning Community Fund**
- **University Libraries Diversity Fund**

## **Conneticut**

*Southern Connecticut State University*  
**2024 – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Excellence Fund – \$17,660**

*University of Connecticut*  
**Office for Diversity and Inclusion (ODI) Fund\***  
**The Black Studies Project (Archived page)**  
UConn Foundation

- **2022 –Donation for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – \$23,000,000**

*Yale University*  
School of Public Health

- **Dr. Pedro Vargas and Pilar Bodas de Vargas Fund for DEIB**

## **Delaware**

*Delaware State University*  
**Paul and Pam Baumbach Endowed Scholarship Fund**

*University of Delaware*  
**2024 Giving Day – Diversity Initiatives – \$61,441**  
**Expanding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – \$21,000,000**  
**Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Fund**

## District of Columbia

*The George Washington University*  
**The Elliott Equity Fund**

## Florida

*Florida International University*  
2021 – FIU Foundation fundraising for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiatives – \$10,000,000

*Florida State University*  
**Racial Justice Advocacy Fund**

## Georgia

*Clark Atlanta University*  
**School of Education – Increasing the African American STEM Teacher Workforce**

*University of Georgia*  
**Student Affairs Diversity Fund\***

## Idaho

*University of Idaho*  
2021 Vandals Give – Equity & Diversity – \$8,225

## Illinois

*Augustana College*  
**Presidential Racial Justice and Equity Fund**

*Loyola University Chicago*  
**READI Innovation Fund**  
2023 – Donation for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – \$100,000,000

*Northern Illinois University*  
2025 Day of Giving – Division of Academic Diversity, Equity & Inclusion – \$38,653

*Roosevelt University*  
**Black Student Equity Fund**

*Southern Illinois University*  
**Diversity Initiatives**

*University of Illinois*

**College of Liberal Arts & Sciences DEI Funds**

- LAS Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Fund
- LAS Undergraduate Diversity Fund
- LAS Faculty Diversity Fund

**The Grainger College of Engineering, Mechanical Science & Engineering**

- **DEI Initiatives Fund**
- **2023 Donation – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative Fund – \$101,279**

## Indiana

*Butler University*

**DEI Innovation Fund**

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Priority Needs Fund**

2024 Day of Giving – Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – \$27,518

*Indiana University (Bloomington)*

**IUB School of Education Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility Fund**

**Jimmy L. Ross Endowment for Diversity Initiatives**

*Indiana University Indianapolis*

**First Generation and Diversity Scholarship Fund**

**Diversity Recruitment Scholarship Fund**

**School Wellbeing of Gender Diverse Youth Research**

*University of Evansville*

**Center for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**

**Center for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**

**Journey to Justice Fund**

## Iowa

*Drake University*

**The Slay Fund for Social Justice**

## Kansas

*Kansas State University*

**Give to diversity and Inclusion (Office of Diversity and Multicultural Student Affairs)**

**Student Governing Association – Diversity Programming Fund**



## Kentucky

*University of Louisville*  
**Black Male Initiative Fund**  
**Latino Success Fund**

## Louisiana

*Louisiana State University*  
Manship School of Mass Communication

- **Diversity, Equity and Media Grant\***
- **Ralph S. Izard Race and Media Studies**
- **Scripps Howard Race and Media Fund**

**LSU Foundation** (found under “search for a fund” – term “diversity”)

- CHSE Diversity and Civic Engagement Fund
- College of Agriculture Diversity and Retention Support Fund
- College of Business Diversity Support Fund
- Denny Shelton Diversity Non-Endowed Scholarship Fund
- Diversity and Inclusion Initiative Scholarship Fund
- Roger Hadfield Ogden Honors College Diversity
- Recruitment Program Support Fund
- RRS�A Diversity Equity Inclusion Fund

## Maine

*The University of Maine*  
**Student Immersion Support Fund**

## Maryland

*University of Maryland*  
**BSOS Diversity Gift Fund**  
**Civil and Environmental Engineering Department (CEE), Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Fund**  
**Diversity Opportunity Fund**  
**Undergraduate Diversity and Inclusion Support Fund**  
**Giving Day UMD – MICA Diversity Fund – \$1,675**

## Massachusetts

*Brandeis University*  
**2024 GiveDEISday – Diversity Scholarships – \$31,598**

*Clark University*  
**D’Army Bailey Diversity Fund**

*Harvard University*  
Harvard Graduate School of Education, Office of Student Affairs

- **Diversity Innovation Fund**

Graduate School of Design

- **Racial Equity and Anti-Racism Fund**

*Massachusetts College of Art and Design*  
**BIPOC Fund**

*University of Massachusetts Amherst*  
**Equity and Inclusion Engagement Fund**

## Michigan

*Michigan State University*  
**2016–2021 – DEI Fundraising – \$98,665,269**  
**College of Agriculture & Natural Resources – Department of Entomology**

- **Entomology Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI) Fund**

**College of Music**

- **Diversity & Inclusion Outreach in Music Fund**
- **The Venice L. Peek College of Music Scholarship Fund**

**College of Social Science:**

- **Tomlanovich-Diamond Research Equity Fund**

*University of Michigan*  
**Center for Social Solutions – Diversity Initiative Fund**  
**DEIA Initiatives**  
**Dr. Carroll B. Williams Fund for Black Excellence Fellowship**  
**Fund for a Diverse, Equitable, Inclusive U-M School of Social Work – Anti-Racism Fund**  
**Stamps Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund**  
**UMSI Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund**

*Wayne State University*  
**2024 Giving Day – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiatives – \$3,170**

## Minnesota

*College of St. Scholastica, The*  
**2024 Give to CSS Day – Inclusive Excellence – \$4,620**

*Macalester College*  
**Racial Justice Project Fund**

*University of Minnesota*  
**CFANS Inclusive Excellence Student Support Fund**  
**George Floyd Memorial Scholarship in Law**  
**UMD JEDI in STEM Award for Inclusive Excellence Fund**

## Mississippi

*Mississippi State University*  
**Giving – “Equity”:**

- Racial Equity Community of Practice
- The University of Mississippi (Ole Miss)
- **Support Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Mississippi Schools**
  - Education Equity & Strategic Initiatives
  - Diversity Teaching Recruitment Fund

*University of Mississippi (Ole Miss)*  
**2023 Ignite Ole Miss – Diversity and Community Engagement Fund – \$23,507**

## Missouri

*Saint Louis University*  
**2024 Lasting Change Campaign – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – \$12,300**

*University of Missouri*  
**Faculty Inclusive Excellence Fund\***  
**Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Funds**

- Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender & Ally Scholarship Fund

**MBMI/MBWI Alternative Spring Break Trip**  
**Men of Color, Honor, and Ambition (MOCHA)**  
**Mizzou Black Men’s Initiative (MBMI)\***  
**Student Life Social Justice Centers Gift Fund**  
**Women of Color, Honor, and Ambition (WOCHA)**

## Montana

*Montana State University*  
**Office of Diversity and Inclusion General Support**  
**Diversity and Inclusion Student Commons**

## Nebraska

*Nebraska Wesleyan University*  
**Wolf Fund for Diversity Education**

*University of Nebraska-Lincoln*  
**UNL Office of Diversity and Inclusion Fund\*/ UNL Community and Belonging Support Fund**  
**UNL Student Equity Grant Fund**

## Nevada

*University of Nevada, Reno*  
**CLA Diversity Fund**  
**Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Initiatives**  
**Alianza Scholarship Fund**  
**Emmy Sepulveda Pulvirenti Endowed Scholarship Fund**  
**Nathan G. Leipold Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund**  
**Rebati Misra Endowed Scholarship in Materials Science and Engineering Fund**

## New Hampshire

*Dartmouth College*  
**2021 – DEI STEM Initiatives Funding – \$20,000,000**  
**Tuck Diversity Business Programs Scholarship Fund**

*Plymouth State University*  
**IDEA Center**

- **IDEA Fund**

### *University of New Hampshire*

**2025 – The (603) Challenge Giving Day – Inclusive Excellence and Belonging – \$3,859**

#### **DEI Funding Opportunities**

- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Strategic Initiatives Fund
- Wanda Mitchell Diversity Recruitment & Retention Fund
- Kidder Funding
- Bill Kidder LGBTQ+ Awards

#### **UNH Franklin Pierce School of Law Gift Funds**

- DEI Scholarship Fund
- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Fund

## **New Jersey**

### *Rutgers University*

**Division of Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement**

- **Opportunity Enrichment Fund**
- **Nancy Boyd-Franklin Diversity Fellowship**
- **School of Social Work Inclusion, Intersectionality, Diversity, Equity, and Advancement (IIDEA) Fund**

### *Rutgers University – Camden*

**Division of Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement**

### *Stockton University*

**Social Justice and Equity Fund**

## **New Mexico**

### *University of New Mexico*

**DEI Foundation**

## **New York**

### *Adelphi University*

**The Diversity Equity and Inclusion Fund in Honor of David Machlis**

### *Buffalo State University*

**George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund**

### *Colgate University*

#### **Anti-racism Initiatives**

- The Henry Livingston Simpson Fund
- Alumni of Color Third-Century Fund
- President's DEI Discretionary Fund
- Internship Funds for Students of Color
- Funds to Support Graduate Fellowships and Graduate School Applications

### *Fordham University*

#### **The Diversity Fund**

**Fordham Law**

- **2020– Expansion of Racial Justice Initiatives – \$3,545,000**

### *New York University*

**The Ken Thompson Social Justice Fund at NYU Law**

### *St. Lawrence University*

**The Black Laurentian Initiative Fund for Racial Justice and Equity Project (RJEP)**

### *Syracuse University*

**2024 Giving Day – Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility – \$3,585**

### *University at Albany*

**Strengthening Diversity and Inclusion at UAlbany**

### *University of Buffalo*

**2021 Giving Day – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – \$8,190**

**School of Law – Social Justice and Racial Equity Fund**

**2021 Donations towards Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiatives – \$1,200,000**

**School of Nursing – JEDI Fund**

## **North Carolina**

### *North Carolina State University*

**College of z Excellence Fund**

### *University of North Carolina*

**College of Arts and Sciences** (search using term “Diversity”)

- Alexander Yong and Wendi Sturgis Computer Science Diversity Initiative
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund in the College of Arts and Sciences
- Diversity Merit Scholarships-Private Donors

- Dr. Robert E. Seymour Jr. Dean's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Endowment Fund
  - The Alexander Yong and Wendi Sturgis Computer Science Diversity Initiative Expendable Fund
  - The Balter Fund for Quality, Diversity and Inclusiveness in Philosophy
  - The Gwendolyn Harrison Smith Diversity Graduate Student Excellence Fund
  - The Slayton Evans Diversity Enhancement Fund
- Kenan-Flagler Business School:**
- **2021 – Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI) and Innovation Fundraising – \$5,000,000**

## Ohio

*Baldwin Wallace University*  
**Black Student Alliance Alumni Scholarship**

*Clark State College*  
**Black Educators Support Fund**

*Kenyon College*  
**Student LGBTQ+ Diversity Fund**

*Miami University*  
**Athletics:**  
**2020 Giving Tuesday – Miami Athletics Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund – \$12,000**  
**Miami Athletics Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund**

*Ohio University*  
**2022 Annual Report – Division of Diversity and Inclusion**

- George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Ebony Bobcat Network Scholarship Endowment – \$300,000
- The Rev. Dr. Francine C. Childs Social Justice Scholarship Endowment – \$25,000
- The Kent-Rudolph Scholarship Endowment – \$25,000
- The Colonel Frank E. Underwood, Sr., Scholarship Endowment – \$25,000

*The Ohio State University*  
**Office of Diversity and Inclusion Funds**  
**Psychiatry Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Fund**

## Oregon

*Oregon State University*  
**University-Wide DEI (The Office of Institutional Diversity) Fund**

*Portland State University*  
**Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Research (JEDI-R) Scholars Fund**  
**Racial Equity Fund**  
**Queer and Trans Student Support Fund**

*University of Oregon*  
**Diversity Excellence Fund**  
**SOJC Diversity Excellence Scholarship Fund**

## Pennsylvania

*Carnegie Mellon University*  
**College of Engineering**

- **2024 Giving CMU Day – Engineering Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund – \$5,122**

**Tepper School of Business**

- **Community and Inclusion Fund**

*Drexel University*  
**LeBow College of Business:**  
**Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund\* (rebranded as “Societal Impact”)**

*Eastern University*  
**Diversity, Equity, & Belonging Fund**

*Haverford College*  
**Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Access**

- Student Diversity, Equity, and Access (SDEA) Funding
- Thrive Fund

*Lehigh University*  
**Institute for Critical Race and Ethnic Studies:**

- **2021 Donation – \$2,500,000**

**Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science:**

- **2024 Giving Day – Rossin College Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund – \$8,805**



*Pennsylvania State University (Penn State)*  
115th Anniversary Materials Science and  
Engineering Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund  
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be found through the “Giving to Penn State” search  
database using the following search terms:  
“diversity” or “equity”*

Dean Peggy A. Johnson Educational  
Equity Honors Scholarship  
Professor Karen A. Thole Annual Scholarship for  
Diversity in Engineering in the  
College of Engineering  
Educational Equity Future Fund

*Saint Joseph’s University*  
Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Fund  
Diversity Equity and Inclusion Strategic Innovation  
Fund – \$5,796

*Swarthmore College*  
President’s Fund for Racial Justice

*University of Pennsylvania*  
Carey Law School – Morgan Lewis Impact Fund for  
Racial Justice

*University of Pittsburgh*  
2025 – Day of Giving – Pitt for All – \$20,000

*Wilkes University*  
Racial Justice and Inclusion Fund

## Rhode Island

*Brown University*  
2021 – Donations toward Diversity, Equity, and  
Inclusion Initiatives – \$20,000,000  
2024 – Donations toward the Inman Page Council  
Brown Annual Fund Scholarship – \$614,000  
Annual Fund Diversity & Inclusion

- Advancing Diversity in Medicine Term  
Scholarship
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Engineering
- Pathway to Diversity and Inclusion Fund

IPC Brown Annual Fund Scholarship  
Mercedes Domenech BULAC Brown Annual  
Fund Scholarship

*Bryant University*  
2024 – Bryant Giving Day – Diversity, Equity,  
Inclusion, & Belonging – \$15,515

*University of Rhode Island*  
Holly Kennedy Diversity Endowment  
Jayne E. Richmond and Robert L. Carothers Fund  
Student Affairs Diversity Fund

## South Carolina

*College of Charleston*  
Office of Institutional Diversity Fund

*University of South Carolina*  
Carol L. McMahon, MD, Diversity Scholarship Fund  
Diversity in the Life Sciences Financial  
Assistance Fund  
Diversity in Healthcare Scholarship Fund  
Racial Justice and Equity Research Fund\*  
Scott and Misty Jordan Endowed Scholarship Fund

## Tennessee

*The University of Tennessee*  
College of Social Work – Social Justice  
Innovation Initiative

*Vanderbilt University*  
2024 – Giving Day – Equity Diversity Inclusion &  
Belonging Centers – \$84,372

## Texas

*Rice University*  
CERCL Fund for Racial Justice Teaching  
and Programming

*Southwestern University*  
Diversity Enrichment Fund

*University of Texas at Austin*  
Giving – [using the term “Diversity” in the  
search bar]

- College of Natural Sciences DEI Concentration
- Diversity, Equity, Access and Inclusion Projects
- Fund to Advance Equity and Inclusion at the  
Steve Hicks School
- Graduate Student Diversity
- JEDI Legislative Conference Fellowship
- Pre-Health and Diversity Scholars
- Misra Family Endowed Excellence Fund for  
Diversity and Inclusion

## Utah

*University of Utah*

**Equity, Diversity & Inclusion\***

- **Chicana/o Scholarship Fund**

## Vermont

*University of Vermont*

**Inclusive Excellence**

- Inclusive Excellence Fund
- Prism Center Fund (formerly the LGBTQA Center)

Center for Students of Color (formerly ALANA Center for Students of Color)

Women and Gender Equity Center Fund

**Rubenstein School of Environmental and Natural Resources**

- People of Color Environmental Collective Fund
- Rubenstein School Diversity, Equity, Justice and Inclusion Educational Fund
- The Amy Wise HDFS Student Scholarship Fund

## Virginia

*Eastern Mennonite University*

**2020-2023 – The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

**Fund – \$343,000**

*University of Richmond*

**Thriving, Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity (TIDE) Fund\***

**Inclusion and Belonging Impact Fund**

*University of Virginia*

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiatives**  
**UVA IDEA Fund**

*Washington and Lee University*

**Diversity and Inclusion Fund**

## Washington

*University of Washington*

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Diversity Scholarships General Fund

Safeco Diversity Scholarship Fund

William and Barbara Forrest Diversity Scholarship

**Endowed Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**

**(J.E.D.I) Support Fund in Aeronautics & Astronautics**

*University of Washington – Seattle*

**Black Opportunity Fund**

*University of Washington – Tacoma*

**Black Opportunity Fund**

## West Virginia

*West Virginia University*

**2020 – Giving Day – Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – \$7,000**

**2024 Day of Giving – Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – \$23,096**

**Horace and Geraldine Belmear Scholarship Fund**

## Wisconsin

*University of Wisconsin – Madison*

**2021 – Raimey-Noland Campaign – \$20,000,000**

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CALS Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund

Chancellor’s Scholarship Program Fund

Deloitte Foundation Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Scholarship Fund in Business

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Fund in Psychology

Division of Diversity, Equity, & Educational

Achievement Student Emergency Support Fund

Engineering Diversity Affairs Fund

Industrial and Systems Engineering Diversity Scholarship Fund

Institute for Diversity Science Fund

La Follette Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Fund

Raimey-Noland Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and  
Belonging Fund  
School of Nursing Diversity, Equity &  
Inclusion Fund  
School of Veterinary Medicine Diversity, Equity &  
Inclusion Fund  
Sociology Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Fund  
Wisconsin School of Business Diversity, Equity  
and Inclusion Fund  
Wisconsin School of Business Diversity, Equity  
and Inclusion Scholarship Fund



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