



**Riverview
Education Foundation**

2009 Annual Report

The mission of the Riverview Education Foundation is to generate financial and community support for enriching the education of the Riverview students.

President's Letter

There's no question 2009 was a challenging year. Between economic woes and the shortfalls in education funding, optimism was in short supply. But in the face of these challenges, the Riverview community stepped up and showed a strong commitment to education through contributions to the Riverview Education Foundation.

The generous community support was palpable. The "Evening for Education" auction at Echo Falls had record attendance. The REF Classic fielded just as many golfers this year as last year. We were even able to start a new fall giving campaign.

Thanks to our loyal donors, we were able to grant the District over \$40,000 - a remarkable achievement given the tough economy!

I am very proud of the leadership our Foundation's board showed throughout the year. I am very thankful for the amazing support from Riverview District's representatives and our donor base.

It's true that 2009 was lean for education funding. It's clear that 2010 will see more drastic cuts to the District budget, and our students will feel the effect of those cuts in the classroom. But our donors have shown time and again that quality education matters.

If the accomplishments of 2009 are any indication, we can truly look to 2010 with hope and a renewed sense of purpose.

Thank you for another year of generous support!

Jeremy Robkin
President - Riverview Education
Foundation

In 2009 Our Supporters Stepped Up for Education Enrichment

Fiscal 2009 was tough for the economy and education, but thanks to REF's dedicated base of donors and volunteers, our Foundation was able to rise to the occasion by providing \$ 43,974 in grants and scholarships.

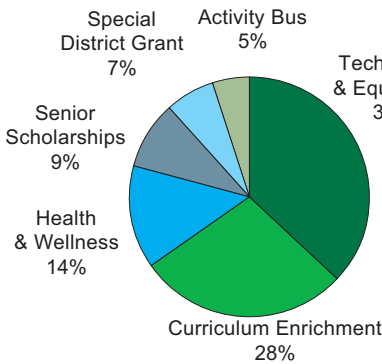
Donations were raised through United Way contributions, direct donations, and some very successful fundraising events.

The Foundation funded 25 General grants for a total of \$28,777 or 55% of total awarded, five Health & Wellness grants for a total of \$6,099 or 14% of the total, and two \$2000 Senior scholarships, 9% of total. In addition REF provided \$2,100 for the Tolt Homework Bus, 5% of total awards, and a special grant to the District of \$3,000 or 7% of total.

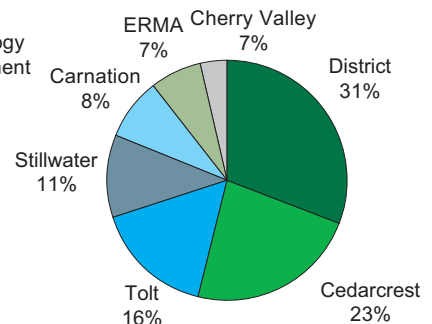
An average \$1162 was awarded per grant through General and Health & Wellness grants, an amount consistent with Fiscal 2008.

Distribution of Grants

By Area of Focus



By School



General Grants

For Fiscal 2009, the focus of the General grants covered two main areas: Curriculum Enrichment and Technology & Equipment. Curriculum Enrichment grants impacted Math, Science, Social Studies and Literacy and at \$12,413 accounted for 28% of the total distribution. Grants in this category included funds for writing improvement aids, DVDs, quizzing tools, geometric manipulatives, books and other literacy aids. The Foundation's Technology & Equipment grants totaled \$16,363. Grants in this category accounted for 37% of distributions. For example, Cedarcrest was provided remote controls to use with ActiveBoard technology. These innovative devices allow teachers to immediately assess whether learning objectives have been met by the entire classes. At Stillwater a new piano was funded for the Music Department. At Tolt, new digital camcorder was purchased for the Technical Students Association and 8th Grade Tech Strand.

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Education Enrichment continued

Health & Wellness Grants

Health and Wellness grants helped fund a new sport court for ERMA, playground equipment for Stepping Stone and ECEAP, health DVDs for Cedarcrest, pedometers for Carnation and bowling equipment for the District

Tolt Homework Bus

The impact of the Tolt Homework Bus cannot be over-emphasized. This vital resource provides transportation for students staying after school to get extra help on school work. This extra attention directly impacts performance in the class room and student well-being. REF is proud to continue funding the Homework bus through the 2010/2011 school year.

Special District Grant for Music

Besides funding the Homework bus, the special district grant directed \$2,600 toward band instruments and \$400 toward sheet music.

Scholarships

The Foundation provided two \$2,000 Scholarships for the Cedarcrest class of 2009. These scholarships went to Briana McCadam and Sara Houser, students who demonstrated strong community spirit by giving back to the school district through their volunteer efforts. These scholarships are among the largest offered to Cedarcrest students.

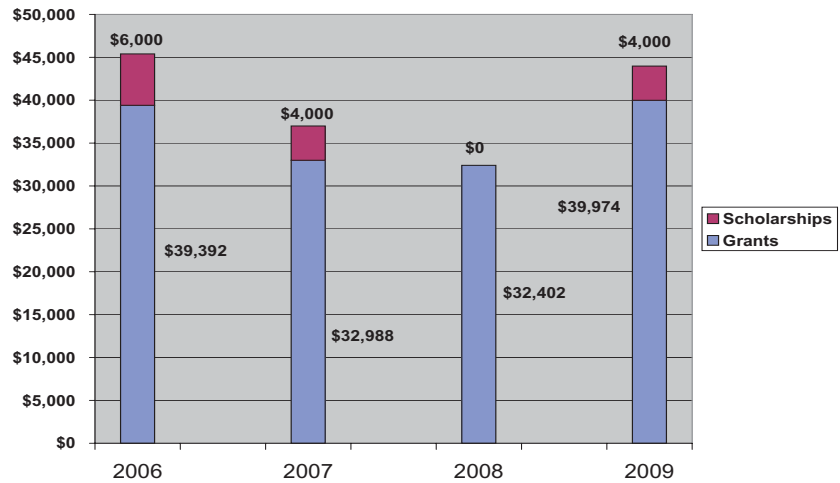
Overall, Fiscal 2009 continued REF's recent trend toward a balanced and diversified portfolio of funding.

For a detailed list of grants awarded and additional scholarship information, please visit the Foundation's website: www.refweb.org



Balance Sheet as of February 26, 2010

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
REF Cash Accounts	
Checking	7,696.45
Savings	821.39
Undeposited Funds-Acceptiva	1,060.00
Total REF Cash Accounts	9,577.84
Total Checking/Savings	9,577.84
Total Current Assets	9,577.84
TOTAL ASSETS	9,577.84
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	8,238.81
Net Income	1,339.03
Total Equity	9,577.84
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	9,577.84



REF has continued to make significant financial contributions toward educational enrichment for the last four years. 2006 scholarships were paid in June 2007, 2007 scholarships were paid in June 2008. 2009 scholarships were paid the same fiscal year.

The 2009 Riverview Education Foundation Board

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