



SEEDS OF HOPE

CULTIVATING MINDS
AND HEARTS FOR CHRIST

SAVE THE DATE



PIG ROAST

June 3, 2023

The Sullivan Residence



GOLF FOR HOPE

June 12, 2023

Cherry Creek Country Club



EVENING OF HOPE

November 11, 2023

The Brown Palace Hotel

For further information and sponsorships for all events, please contact Hannah.Thompson@archden.org or call 720-476-7486.

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TRICIA SULLIVAN

Seeds of Hope (SOH) is excited to share the incredible results of an Alumni Survey conducted this past year. We are launching our “great news” within the pages of this newsletter, and we believe you will be as excited as we are when you explore the data.

The survey data is a reflection of the outstanding quality education and spiritual development that the Archdiocese of Denver K-8 Catholic schools provide within our community. These amazing results are made possible because of Seeds of Hope’s generous community of donors who assist in helping to provide scholarships to children whose families can’t afford a Catholic education.

We will be sharing all of the outstanding data we received with you, but want to highlight two statistics in particular:

High School Grade Point Average

SOH students are well prepared for high school, and the proof is from a GPA comparison: SOH Alumni GPA average is 3.51 vs. 2.69 for low-income families in public schools. Statistics show that a student’s high school GPA is an indicator of their future success.

The Tolerance of Different Opinions

SOH young adults display a greater state of emotional health than their peers and are extremely accepting of opinions that differ from their own. SOH alumni have a significantly higher tolerance score at 77.17% in college and 92.83% in the workplace. These numbers are compared to only 58% for Colorado young adults. Tolerance is defined as the willingness to accept behavior and beliefs that are different from your own, although you might not agree with or approve of them. In today’s climate, this result gives us hope for a future generation of children and adults who can work through differences and come to accept and understand one another.

One of our main goals for 2023 is to focus on showing our donors the impact you are having on the lives of God’s children. Through testimonies of current students and SOH alumni, your gift is forever changing the trajectory of these children’s lives.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tricia Sullivan".

SEEDS OF HOPE ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS*



Seeds of Hope has graced my daughters with the opportunity to be part of a community where their faith is ever present. I am confident my children can move through life as people of kindness and compassion.

— Savannah Gabrielle Valdez



HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE

3.51



Seeds of Hope

2.69



Low-Income Families in Public Schools

TOLERANCE OF DIFFERENT OPINIONS

Seeds of Hope Alumni in College



77%

Seeds of Hope Alumni in the Workplace



93%

Colorado Young Adults



58%



* Survey conducted by QREM, LLC.

Please donate today to impact the lives of God's children.

DONATE BY:

- **Send** a check in the attached envelope payable to Seeds of Hope
- **Visit** our website at seedsofhopedenver.org/donate
- **Scan** the QR Code



Supporting schools today ensures the strength of the Catholic Church tomorrow.

SEEDS OF HOPE ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS AND TESTIMONIES



MORALS

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89%

US High School Students



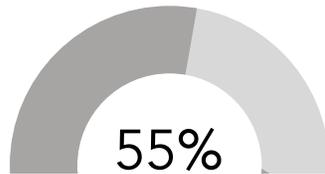
72.2%

COMMITMENT TO FAITH



90%

Seeds of Hope



55%

Colorado Catholics

Attending Catholic school has given my boys a strong foundation in their faith and set them up to succeed in high school and in life.

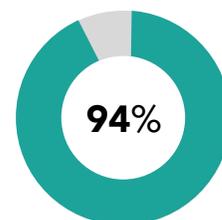
— Patricia Barth

PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE



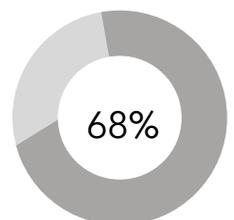
86%

College



94%

Workplace



68%

Colorado Young Adults

Seeds of Hope Alumni



*Praise God that we have
Seeds of Hope to help our 4 kids
attend Catholic schools.
We couldn't do it without you!*
— Joshua and Rachael Knight

As you can see from these heartfelt testimonies, our Catholic schools are providing a future full of hope. The number one reason that children cannot attend a Catholic school is because of the cost. Our donors make a difference by helping those that can't afford Catholic education. With the increase of students in need of financial assistance, our community and donor support are essential.

At Seeds of Hope, we believe that children need Catholic education now more than ever. Seeds of Hope provides tuition assistance to low-income families who otherwise could not afford it. The median income for our families is \$46,727. This is for a family of 5. On average families spend \$1,900 per child to send their children to an Archdiocese of Denver K-8 Catholic school. Parents make large sacrifices to make this possible.

We like to partner with these families because we believe that education is something that these students will have forever. Education is the great equalizer, opening the doors to a lifetime of opportunities for future generations.



2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR STATS:

\$2.25M

in Hope Scholarships

Approximately **1,200**
students served

The average median income
of a Seeds of Hope
family is **\$46,727**

Average Family Contribution:
\$1,900

Support **32**
K-8 Archdiocese of Denver
Catholic schools



SINCE INCEPTION:

\$45M+

Total Granted

23,900

Scholarships



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE LAST 18 MONTHS:

#1: COMMUNITY AND DONOR SUPPORT:

The Golf for Hope tournament and Evening of Hope gala resulted in record breaking results. Thank you to all of our inspirational donors who believe in Catholic schools and continue to support our mission.



#2: EXPANDED OUR REACH:

We reached more students this year than ever before—approximately 1,200; an increase of 15% from last year with over \$2.25M in Hope Scholarships awarded.



#3: ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN OF HOPE:

We created an amazing women’s group (Women of Hope) that has monthly speakers who focus on defending our faith and Catholic education. We have over 40 members and invite all women to join us.

#4: CLASSROOM IMPACT GRANTS:

We provided \$440,000 in a pilot “Mission Renewal/Classroom Impact Grant Program”. These competitive one-time block grants were open to all 35 K-12 Archdiocese of Denver schools. These grants focused on strengthening schools by supporting teacher education and certification, providing textbooks, and other items that had a great impact in areas where our schools needed it most.



#5: ARC VOUCHERS:

We partnered with arc Thrift Stores to distribute vouchers to low-income families in our schools to buy new outfits, shoes, and school supplies.



Seeds of Hope Income Eligibility Guidelines for 2023-2024

Household Size	Annual Income	Household Size	Annual Income
2	\$59,160	7	\$136,260
3	\$74,580	8	\$151,680
4	\$90,000	9	\$167,100
5	\$105,420	10	\$182,520
6	\$120,840		

For each additional family member add \$15,420

Save the Date!

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023

CHERRY CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

Tee it up for Catholic Education



Purchase sponsorships or foursomes at
GolfForHope.org

For sponsorship opportunities and questions, please contact Hannah Thompson,
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*Seeds of Hope cultivates
minds and hearts for Christ
by striving to make a
transformative Catholic
education financially
accessible to any
family who seeks it.*



Please join our mission at Women of Hope. We are a passionate group of women who defend our faith and Catholic education.

- **Monthly speakers who focus on Catholic topics and Catholic education.**
- **Monthly meetings with an optional special Mass.**
- **Suggested annual membership of \$500 or more to Women of Hope.**



To learn more and to join our mission, please visit
www.seedsofhopedenver.org/women-of-hope.