



Annual Fund Report 2015 - 2016

Every year, alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends of The College give to the Annual Fund as a pipeline of philanthropic support to help the institution meet its highest goals and objectives. Annual Fund donors continue to give to benefit students and the vital operations, programmes and initiatives of the institution.

Of significant note is that in the 2015-2016 fiscal period, the Annual Fund increased by 22% as a result of an increase in the participation rate among donors. The disbursements to various departments have been used to build community, strengthen operational capacity and expand outreach initiatives by the academy. Each gift to the Annual Fund makes a difference in the lives of our faculty, staff and students and helps us to meet our mission of supporting and driving national development. In this report, we highlight how your gifts are impacting higher education.

Business Week Features Entrepreneurs

In March 2016 during Business Week, young, successful Bahamian entrepreneurs discussed with students the role of small and medium enterprises in the development of the local economy. The week included a discussion on the state of the economy post Value Added Tax (VAT) and an essay and speech competition.



Library Launches "Project Expose Hidden Collections"

With the support of the annual fund the Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre brought history alive for library users. Entitled "Project Expose Hidden Collections" information contained on video cassettes and music albums were converted to modern electronic formats for preservation and usage by library patrons.

Recruitment for Visual & Performing Arts

As the institution continues to build its programmes in the School of Communication and Creative Arts, contributions to the Annual Fund were used to support recruitment exercises in the Family Islands for the Visual and Performing Arts. The recruitment was aimed at encouraging school students to aspire towards becoming professionally trained musicians.



Northern Bahamas Campus Events

Philanthropy supported the acquisition of a PA system and the activities of Culturama 2016 1ST Annual Business Month Seminars: The Making of Business Professionals held at the Northern Bahamas Campus in Grand Bahama.

Financial Aid Supports Students

During the 2015 – 2016 year, ten students benefited from Financial Aid- Scholarships as a result of the Annual Fund. The recipients are Tarvis Ambrose, Josiah Beneby, Alshirae Dorsett, Laronda Gibson, Keiron Green, Georgina Smith, Johnathan Sullivan, Nathaniel Thompson, Kirkretha Dean and Shyann Johnson.

Books Provided for Literacy Centre at Research School

Annual Fund contributions were also used to purchase books for the Literacy Centre at the T G Glover Professional Development, Research School (PDS). The PDS was approved by Cabinet in 2012, with The College of The Bahamas' School of Education taking the lead in the partnership.

Video Equipment Acquired for Office of Communication

The Office of Communication acquired video recording equipment to augment efforts to advance the public relations, marketing and branding of the institution.

Medical Supplies for Campus Clinic

Critical medical supplies were acquired for the Campus Clinic at the Oakes Field Campus.

Counselling and Health Services Department

With support from the Annual Fund, software was implemented for online tutoring and scheduling.

Health & Safety Week 2016 - Building a Fit and Healthy Institution

Lecturer at the School of Nursing and Allied Professions Doreen Butler was the keynote speaker at a special presentation for Health and Safety Week held in Spring 2016. During the week, activities promoted health and wellness initiatives for the COB community. Mrs. Butler's presentation focused on mental health and menopause.

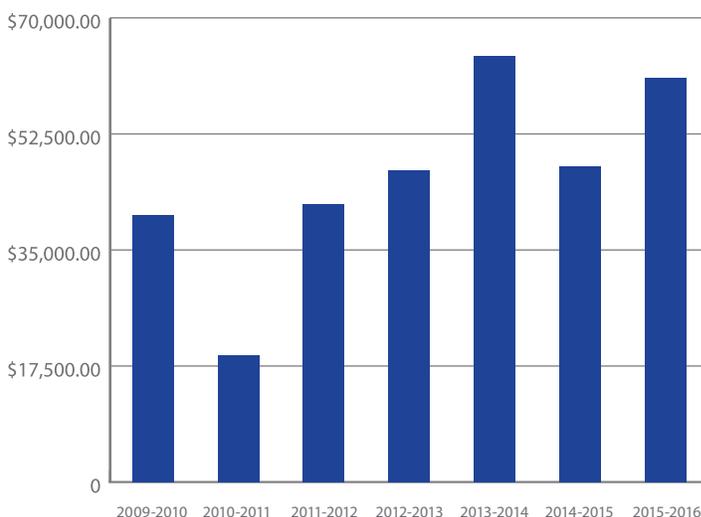


The Annual Fund 2015-2016 Allocation

Annual Fund Allocation	\$ Value	%
The College's Greatest Needs	\$ 37,471.38	61.3%
Faculty of Social & Educational Studies	\$ 6,950.00	11.4%
Faculty of Business	\$ 2,630.00	4.3%
Scholarships & Financial Aid	\$ 2,386.00	3.9%
Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences	\$ 5,925.00	9.7%
Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre	\$ 1,400.00	2.3%
Faculty of Liberal and Fine Arts	\$ 1,075.00	1.7%
Culinary and Hospitality Management Institute	\$ 900.00	1.5%
Athletics	\$ 1,705.00	2.8%
Northern Bahamas Campus	\$ 560.00	0.9%
Architecture Programme	\$ 100.00	0.1%
Total	\$ 61,102.38	100.0%

Annual Fund donors consistently prioritize the institution's greatest needs for their donations as this category facilitates meeting the most critical necessities across all disciplines.

The Annual Fund 2015-2016 Value of Donations



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