Leadership Giving
Through The Stanford Fund

Leadership gifts made through The Stanford Fund play a special role in creating an unparalleled experience for today’s undergraduates. With a generous commitment to The Stanford Fund, you can have a powerful impact on students’ lives and inspire others to give back.

Stanford Fund Scholarships

STANFORD IS ONE OF ONLY A FEW UNIVERSITIES IN THE COUNTRY THAT PROMISE to meet students’ demonstrated need for financial aid. Thanks to our generous donors, The Stanford Fund makes a world-class education accessible to the brightest and most talented students.

Donors who give $25,000 or more per year through The Stanford Fund have a unique opportunity to help by establishing a Stanford Fund Scholarship.

Scholarships help underwrite financial aid for individual students, allowing donors to get to know the beneficiaries of their support. Many scholarship recipients and donors find tremendous inspiration in connecting with each other.

“For many undergraduates, the first step on their journey is a scholarship—without which they would not be at Stanford at all. Your partnership helps ensure that the most talented students can choose Stanford, regardless of their financial circumstances.”

Harry J. Elam, Jr.
Freeman-Thornton Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education
Olive H. Palmer Professor in the Humanities
Bass University Fellow in Undergraduate Education
We’ve gotten letters every year from student recipients who represent unbelievable talent. You meet them, and you get rejuvenated because you realize your money is going toward somebody who is going to try pretty hard to achieve something unique in life.”

Jerry Yang, ’90, MS ’90, Stanford University trustee emeritus and scholarship donor

“Your family has given me the opportunity to pursue an education that would have otherwise been impossible for my family to afford. I honestly cannot put into words how grateful I am. Stanford is the best thing that has ever happened to me, and I would not be here without your support. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

Zoe White, ’16, from a letter to her Stanford Fund Scholarship donor

Leadership Giving to The Stanford Fund

The Stanford Fund’s most generous annual donors are recognized at the following giving levels:

- **PRESIDENT’S FUND** | $10,000 or more
  ($25,000 or more establishes a Stanford Fund Scholarship)
- **PARENT PARTNERS** | $2,500 or more from parents of current undergraduates
- **LEADERSHIP CIRCLE** | $1,000 to $9,999

Lower levels apply for young alumni:

- **PRESIDENT’S FUND** | $5,000 or more for those five to nine years after graduation and $1,000 or more for one to four years
- **LEADERSHIP CIRCLE** | $500 or more for those five to nine years after graduation and $100 or more for one to four years

Your generosity is appreciated! Every donor who makes a leadership gift through The Stanford Fund receives:

- Recognition in The Stanford Fund honor roll
- Special communications throughout the year
- Access to a campus liaison who can answer questions about your giving and what’s new at Stanford

In addition:

- President’s Fund members receive invitations to special events throughout the year, including an annual stakeholders’ call with top university administrators and a reception held in their honor.
- Stanford Fund Scholarship donors have the opportunity to hear from and get to know their student recipients.

Funding Need-Based Financial Aid at Stanford

Year after year, The Stanford Fund plays a critical role in filling the gap between scholarship endowment and other sources of financial aid.