



ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

SHAPING THE FUTURE

We are proud of the strides we've made over the past year. The school year began with a move to our current location at the corner of Mission and 17th Streets. The new location is closer to our families and to the schools our Scholars attend, with easy access to public transit, making it more inclusive and accessible. The larger space will also allow us to continue serving more students while creating a welcoming, supportive space for our Scholars to thrive.

Our work was recognized by the 2024 Award for Excellence in Educational Access from NPEA, energizing our commitment to expanding opportunities for every Scholar.

We also successfully completed our 2021-2024 strategic plan, increasing the overall number of students we serve, piloting a 5th grade tutoring program, and advancing equity, inclusion, and diversity at SMART. Building on 25 years of success, we are ready to make even greater strides in the coming years, ensuring that every student has the support they need to succeed.

Guided by our new strategic plan, we will continue to build on our progress. From July 2024 to June 2027, we will:

Strengthen Scholar support – especially preparation for middle school and support in college

Grow our program reach – serving more students every year

Build SMART's capacity and sustainability

– to continue ensuring a best-in-class program into the future

Our vision for the future remains clear: an equitable pathway to college for every student in San Francisco. By focusing on these goals, we aim to create lasting, meaningful change in our community...

...The future is bright, and with your partnership, we will ensure that SMART Scholars are equipped to lead, succeed, and shape a future filled with possibility.

MISSION

SMART champions education equity by supporting students in overcoming systemic barriers on their journey to a college degree.



We envision a community with equitable pathways to college graduation for every student in San Francisco.





VALUES

COMMUNITY // We build a community that celebrates diversity, thrives on teamwork, and appreciates everyone's contributions.

EQUITY // We are committed to systems and processes that are just, fair, and inclusive, enabling all people the opportunity to belong, participate, and reach their full potential.

EMPOWERMENT // We believe the path to empowerment and self-advocacy is through the encouragement, support, and guidance of those around us.

LEARNING // We believe education and life-long learning enhance our understanding of our world, our place within it, and provide the tools to change it.

JOY // We center joy in our community and practice. We view joy as an act of liberation, which unleashes creativity, strengthens relationships, and propels the work that we do.

BY THE NUMBERS

SCHOLARS

\$40,000

average family income of families entering SMART

97% Scholars will be first-generation college graduates

4 out of 5 families speak

a language other than English at home

SCHOLAR ACHIEVEMENTS

1 QuestBridge Recipient

1 Posse Scholarship

Recipient

Jack Kent Cooke Excellence Recipient Boys and Girls Club Scholarship Recipients

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Boys and Girls Clubs of San Francisco Youth of the Year Awardee

1 Latin American Teachers

Association (LATA) SF Scholarship Recipient

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Scholars and their Families Served

100% High <u>School Seniors</u>

Enrolled in College



4X

More Likely to Graduate from College

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OUR PROGRAM



RECRUITMENT 4TH GRADE





MIDDLE SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT 6TH-8TH GRADE



COLLEGE ACHIEVEMENT 9TH-12TH GRADE

COLLEGE SUCCESS

SMART identifies 4th grade students facing barriers to opportunity through partnering with a network of elementary schools and community-based organizations in San Francisco.

Our six-week summer program for rising 5th grade students prevents summer learning loss through literacy, math, science, media, dance, coding, sports, enrichment activities, and STEAM-based field trips. Our regular after-school program prepares 5th grade Scholars for success in middle school, with added tutoring support. Additionally, we guide families through the complex middle school enrollment processes, offering support with admissions, financial aid, and school advocacy, while also conducting tours and workshops to empower families to become strong educational champions.

A weekly after-school program equipping our middle school Scholars with the skills to succeed in school and in life through tutoring, mentoring, and a curriculum designed to bolster them academically, socially, and emotionally. SMART also guides families through the complex high school enrollment processes, offering assistance with admissions and financial aid, school advocacy, tours, and empowering workshops to help families become strong educational champions.

Weekly programming supports our Scholars in career and college exploration, offering assistance with the college and financial aid application process, while emphasizing the importance of community engagement and self-advocacy. Workshops build on the foundational skills introduced in middle school and expand through high school to cover more comprehensive aspects of college readiness, ensuring they are well-prepared for the challenges and opportunities ahead.

In college, Scholars receive ongoing support through regular check-ins, ensuring they meet college and major requirements, connecting students to campus resources and affinity groups, reminding them about financial aid and housing deadlines, assisting with class enrollment, providing career and graduate school readiness guidance, and monitoring their social and emotional well-being.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS OUR SCHOLARS ATTEND

A.P. Giannini Alice Fong Yu Alta Vista School Aptos Middle School **Bessie Carmichael School** Buena Vista Horace Mann Cathedral School for Boys Children's Day School **Creative Arts Charter School Crystal Springs Uplands School Everett Middle School** The Fr. Sauer Academy Francisco Middle School Gateway Middle School The Hamlin School Herbert Hoover Middle School

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HIGH SCHOOLS OUR SCHOLARS ATTEND

Abraham Lincoln High School The Academy at McAteer Archbishop Riordan High School The Athenian School Balboa High School The Bay School of San Francisco Capuchino High School (San Mateo) Castro Valley High School City Arts and Leadership Academy Convent & Stuart Hall Crystal Springs Uplands School Drew School Eastside College Preparatory School El Camino High School French American International Galileo Academy of Science and Technology Gateway High School George Washington High School Immaculate Conception Academy International High School KIPP San Francisco College Preparatory Lick-Wilmerding High School Lowell High School The Nueva School (San Mateo) Phillip & Sala Burton Academic High School Raoul Wallenberg Traditional High School RISE University Preparatory Ruth Asawa San Francisco School of the Arts Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory San Francisco Girls' School San Francisco University High School San Francisco Waldorf HS St. Ignatius College Preparatory The Urban School



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*Scholar enrolled

33 Scholars // 435 Applications // 173 Acceptances

SCHOLAR HIGHLIGHTS



DIEGO – SMART COLLEGE FRESHMAN UC MERCED CLASS OF 2028 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SF YOUTH OF THE YEAR 2024

"My advisor carried me through college applications. Her commitment was inspiring, from helping me write my essays to generally being the supporter I needed. When so many kids go to SMART, all attending different schools with different curriculums, having a tutor that can match up with Lowell's curriculum was super helpful. SMART's Career Conference was cool because you could see where some SMART alum are right now and how SMART prepares you for the future."

SAVANA – SMART ALUMNA UC DAVIS CLASS OF 2023 BA IN PSYCHOLOGY

"My favorite aspect of SMART was the free homework and testing support. After school, tutors would come in to help with any homework we needed, and we were provided with resources like SAT prep which helped me academically. After leaving SMART, I pursued my BA in Psychology with a minor in Education at UC Davis, marking the beginning of my journey in the education field. I'm currently in my second year as a Student Success Coach at City Year, providing students with holistic in-school support."





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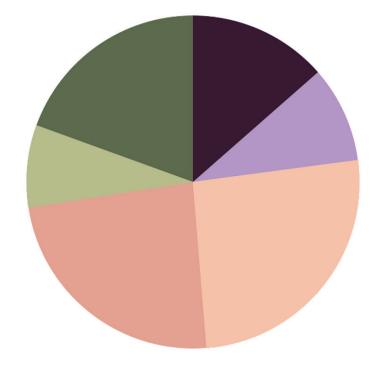
FINANCIALS

REVENUE

Individual Contributions	\$1,404,197 (40%)
Foundation Grants	\$1,317,500 (38%)
Corporate Contributions	\$358,958 (10%)
Earned Income	\$13,975 (<1%)
Investment & Other Income	\$83,348 (2%)
Contribution of Nonfinancial Assets	\$36,933 (1%)
Rent Abatement	\$286,292 (8%)
TOTAL REVENUE	\$3,501,202

EXPENSES

Summer Academic Enrichment Program	\$496,558 (14%)
Recruitment and Enrollment	\$343,554 (9%)
College Achievement Program	\$946,963 (26%)
Middle School Achievement Program	\$874,730 (24%)
Administration	\$294,003 (8%)
Development	\$714,296 (19%)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,670,104



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\$1,803,685



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