

# 2024 CPS DREAM FUND



Since 2014, the CPS Dream Fund Scholarship has offered crucial financial assistance to CPS alumni who otherwise would have limited options to help pay for college.

CPS DREAMers — undocumented students, including those granted the right to live and study in the U.S. under 2012's federal DACA program — are not eligible for federal financial aid, such as the PELL grant, subsidized student loans, or work study.

This makes earning a college education more difficult for CPS students already shouldering the many burdens of non-citizenship.

## The CPS Dream Fund has made possible:

- More than 240 new or renewed scholarships
- \$240k+ distributed directly to CPS alumni

Today, we ask for your support in order to continue the mission of the CPS Dream Fund Scholarship. Join us in celebrating our past scholarship recipients and support the next generation of young people on their paths to postsecondary success.

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## Dream Fund Scholarship Benefit | April 11, 2024

Support The CPS Dream Fund Scholarship by becoming a sponsor for this year's benefit on April 11 at the Impact House, a hub for the city's Funders and Changemakers.

Funds raised will sustain the scholarship and our organization's mission.

For more information, please reach out to Johanna Dutt at [jwheaton@childrenfirstfund.org](mailto:jwheaton@childrenfirstfund.org)

**"The portion that donors provide to each student is a light for us to follow a dream that we often think is impossible, a way of giving us hope to know that there are amazing people around us. Those who donate or raise their voice are that strength that we often need. Knowing that there are big-hearted people who have the time to think about us is definitely something to admire and I am very grateful to everyone."**

**YENCI A.  
SENN HIGH SCHOOL  
NORTH PARK UNIVERSITY**



Sponsoring the 2024 CPS Dream Fund Benefit is a powerful way to show your community that you care about the education and dreams of young people in Chicago. We invite you to join us in supporting this signature event and our scholars.

	CHAMPION <b>25K</b>	GOLD <b>10K</b>	SILVER <b>5K</b>	BRONZE <b>1K</b>
TICKETS TO THE EVENT	5	4	3	2
VISUAL RECOGNITION AT THE EVENT	X	X	X	X
SPEAKING OPPORTUNITY AT THE EVENT	X			
CFF NEWSLETTER (12K SUBSCRIBERS)	X	X	X	X
CPS SOCIAL MEDIA RECOGNITION (150K+)	X	X		
DEDICATED CFF SOCIAL RECOGNITION	X	X	X	
ONLINE RECOGNITION ON CFF WEBSITE	X	X		
CEREMONY RECOGNITION JUNE 14, 2024	X	X		

## Your Support Helps Our Scholars



KEJI A.  
SULLIVAN HIGH SCHOOL



BANSARI P.  
CARL SCHURZ HIGH SCHOOL



MOYO O.  
CHICAGO VOCATIONAL CAREER ACADEMY



PAULA O.  
LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

# Helping undocumented students make their postsecondary dreams a reality

Children First Fund promotes the growth and success of Chicago Public Schools through philanthropy and partnerships, preparing every student for success in college, career, and civic life.

Operating both with and within CPS, CFF proactively engages partnerships and external resources, facilitating support and raising funds, maximizing impact for supporters of Chicago's students, and advancing equity across the district.

Our graduates transition into successful careers in various STEM fields, education, nursing, and social sciences. They're giving back to their communities, working in nursing, protecting our financial interests in banking cybersecurity, starting businesses and solving problems as engineers and entrepreneurs – to name a few.

Thanks to a vast coalition of partners and donors including individuals, businesses, CPS staff, teachers, and administration, the CPS Dream Fund Scholarship awards between 50-70 scholarships annually with the opportunity for renewals.

The continued generosity of our community is essential to these supports for CPS students graduating in 2024. Please join us in empowering students to realize their dreams!

*"Your support for the CPS Dream Fund Scholarship at the college level is truly invaluable. Beyond the financial assistance, your contributions serve as a beacon of hope for college students like me.*

*Your belief in our dreams and goals inspires us to overcome challenges related to our migration status. Thank you for being an essential part of our college journey and for helping us turn our aspirations into reality."*

**AMBAR J.  
CARL SCHURZ HIGH SCHOOL  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN**

## Ways To Give

### Online

DONATIONS MAY ALSO BE  
MADE ONLINE AT  
[BIT.LY/DONATECPSDREAM](https://bit.ly/donatecpsdream)

### Checks

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS  
PAYABLE TO  
'CHILDREN FIRST FUND'

INCLUDE CPS DREAM  
FUND IN THE MEMO

MAIL TO:  
CHILDREN FIRST FUND  
C/O IMPACT HOUSE  
200 W MADISON, FL 2  
CHICAGO, IL 60606

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TO MAKE AN ELECTRONIC  
PAYMENT, PLEASE USE THE  
FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

BANK NAME  
BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A.  
111 WEST MONROE STREET  
CHICAGO, IL 60603

ACCOUNT NAME  
CHILDREN FIRST FUND: THE  
CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
FOUNDATION

ACCOUNT#: 2910050273  
ROUTING#: 071025661  
SWIFT#: HATRUS44