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Since 1998

*“I thought it would be nice if you knew what type of young man you helped.
You helped a young man who respects his peers, his parents and his elders.
You helped a young man who dreamed of going to college...
and you helped him accomplish that.
You helped a young man who will one day be able to help others.
On Sunday, when he graduates, you will be in my thoughts and prayers.”*

— From the mother of a scholarship recipient

MinneapolisNEXT Donation Card

We invite you to schedule a meeting to learn about our straight-forward, low-cost operating philosophy. We encourage you to seek matching gifts from your employer.

- I wish to join the MinneapolisNEXT Leadership Circle and have enclosed: \$5,000 or \$1,667 (1st of three annual installments).
- I do not wish to join the Leadership Circle, however, I am enclosing a donation of \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$_____.
- Please make checks payable to MinneapolisNEXT. Thankyou! To contribute online, please visit minneapolisnext.org.*
- My workplace offers matching funds. Forms enclosed.
- I would like to discuss planned giving options. Please give me a call.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Business Home Best time to call: AM PM

E-mail _____

- I have a contact, please give me a call.

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Why contribute to MinneapolisNEXT?

1. 100 percent of your gift benefits kids in need.

As a volunteer-driven organization, *MinneapolisNEXT* operates in a highly cost-effective manner with very low overhead. Our Board of Directors covers all operating expenses. You can be confident that 100 percent of the money you donate directly benefits kids in need.

2. We get results.

MinneapolisNEXT, through informal partnerships with local churches, schools and community organizations, hones in on those students best qualified for our services, thereby maximizing the benefits of your contribution. To date, we have funded hundreds of scholarships, and *MinneapolisNEXT* alumni have gone on to enroll — and excel — at colleges and universities throughout the country. We are making a real and immediate difference in the lives of young people too often overlooked in our society, and making dreams come true. . . *one child at a time*.

3. We all reap the rewards.

MinneapolisNEXT opens doors, and the young people we serve proudly stride through. As they fulfill their potential, they emerge as role models and leaders for the next generation of young people in our community.

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Our Mission

MinneapolisNEXT was founded on the principle that the best way to improve our community is by investing in its young people. To that end, *MinneapolisNEXT* funds life-enhancing educational, tutorial, and extra-curricular programming for determined, hard-working, at-risk youth in the Twin Cities. These young people show exceptional desire and ability to succeed in life. We give them the opportunities and tools they need to achieve their goals and pursue their dreams.

Our signature *MinneapolisNEXT* scholarship program, in partnership with private high schools, receives the majority of our funding and attention. The financial and emotional support we provide allows low-income families to make choices in education and activities, despite their socio-economic standing. The scholarships we offer are partial, requiring a tuition contribution from each student's family. We partner with them, getting them involved in the educational experiences of their children. This is key to our success and sets *MinneapolisNEXT* apart from other organizations — as does our policy of having board-paid administrative costs, so that 100 percent of all donations directly benefit kids in need.

By investing our capital in local youth today, we ensure a return on our investment for many tomorrows. We hope you'll join us.