

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIVING

Oley Valley Community Education Foundation 2025 Scholarship Recipients \$36,000 in Scholarships Awarded



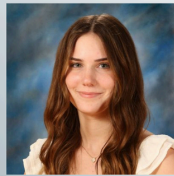
Ammoni Lockhart
\$5000
Philip B. Fleck
Memorial
Scholarship



Benjamin DeBalko
\$3000 Sally
Breidegam-
Miksiewicz Memorial
Scholarship



Arabella Smith
\$3000 Sally
Breidegam-
Miksiewicz Memorial
Scholarship



Maeve Freed
\$3000 Sally
Breidegam-
Miksiewicz Memorial
Scholarship



John Allmendinger
\$3000
William S. Gotwals
Memorial
Scholarship



Brooke Schaffer
\$3000
OVCEF Scholarship



Caleb Teeters
\$3000
OVCEF Scholarship



Leah Walters
\$3000
OVCEF Scholarship



Eva Glick
\$3000
OVCEF Scholarship



Aydan Cogan
\$3000
Positive Impact
Scholarship



Libby Sanders
\$3000 Resiliency
Scholarship



Arabella Smith
\$1000 Sports
Medicine Alumni
Scholarship

\$36,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

12 scholarships were awarded to exceptional graduating seniors this year, and we are thrilled to have increased our total scholarship funding to **\$36,000!** We are proud to support the next generation as they take bold steps toward their future.

"Thank you so much for awarding me the Sally Breidegam Miksiewicz Memorial Scholarship. I'm truly grateful for your support. I'm also very thankful for all the OVCEF has done for me and all the students at Oley Valley. Whether it was a field trip or an education grant, the OVCEF has provided countless opportunities to me and my classmates. I'll forever be grateful for all that you have done for me!"

- Ben DeBalko, Class of '25

\$117,000 IN EDUCATION GRANTS

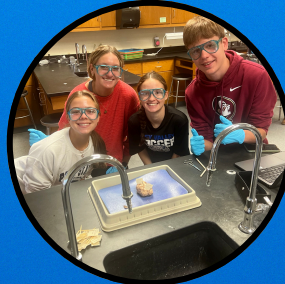
Thanks to generous donors, EITC partners, and successful fundraisers, our education grants continue to enrich learning across all levels of the Oley Valley School District. This year's funding supported a wide variety of curriculum and experiences, bringing learning to life for our students.



Elementary School
Hydroponics Unit



7th Grade 9/11 Museum
& Memorial Field Trip



High School
Human Body Systems:
Sheep Brain Dissection



Middle School
Video Club



Elementary School
Mobile Ag Lab

OUR MISSION

is to enhance educational opportunities for students, residents, employees, and alumni of the Oley Valley School District while encouraging community support and participation.



OUR COMMUNITY IS THE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS

At the heart of every scholarship awarded, every classroom project funded, and every community program supported, is one simple truth: none of our initiatives would be possible without the incredible people and businesses who believe in our mission and support our efforts. The thank you notes shared below are a testament to the lasting impact of your generosity, and proof that when a community comes together to invest in education, great things happen.



TEACHERS IN THE PARKS



"We just want to say thank you to the Education Foundation for funding TIPS. My kids have had great experiences there. We appreciate it so much!"

-MICHELE SOTTOSANTI,
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT

SCHOLARSHIPS

"Thank you for your generous contribution to my educational financials. I honestly felt that this prestigious scholarship was not for me. Although when I heard my name, I tried not to break into tears."

-LIBBY SANDERS,
CLASS OF 2025
OVCEF RESILIENCY
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

SECOND SATURDAY

"The Cookie Decorating was a great workshop! My granddaughter and I really enjoyed it!"

-MICHELE GREER,
WORKSHOP ATTENDEE

"My girls loved this class, and we would definitely do it again! Thank you!"

-KERRI CROFUTT,
WORKSHOP ATTENDEE



EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIPS

"On behalf of our students, I sincerely appreciate your continued support. Our 2025 trip to Washington D.C. and the Holocaust Museum was impactful. The students truly enjoyed the day and took away valuable lessons they will carry with them for years to come. We are extremely grateful for your financial

assistance, which makes opportunities like this possible. It is clear that the OVCEF is deeply committed to enriching the educational experiences of our students, and we are fortunate to benefit from that extraordinary generosity."

- NICK KALLIS,
OLEY VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
HISTORY TEACHER

OVER \$180,000 FUNDS RAISED

Every dollar raised through our annual campaign, fundraisers, EITC donations, and staff contributions directly benefits the Oley Valley School District and wider Oley Valley community. These funds allow us to enhance educational opportunities beyond what the district budget provides, as well as partner with other local organizations to provide learning experiences for all community members. Your continued support helps bring meaningful programs and experiences to all within the Oley Valley School District, and we thank you for making a lasting impact.

ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

New this year, we focused on strengthening connections with Oley Valley Alumni, beyond our annual Distinguished Alumni & Service Awards. In February, we hosted our first all-year Alumni Mixer - a fun and casual evening that brought together graduates from across the decades. We're excited to continue building these relationships and look forward to holding more alumni events in the future.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI & SERVICE AWARDS

We proudly recognized individuals who have made a meaningful impact through their professional accomplishments, community service, volunteer work, and humanitarian contributions.

The 2024 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients were: Eric Clemmer ('91), Robert Kissinger ('72), John Noll, Jr. ('96), and Denise Wagner ('92).

The 2024 Distinguished Service Award recipients were: Robert Heckman and Dawn Roman ('87).



OUR SPONSORS

Thank you to our Friends of the Foundation sponsors for enhancing educational opportunities in the Oley Valley!

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NEW TAX BENEFIT FOR CHARITABLE DONATIONS

GOOD NEWS FOR DONORS:

Charitable Giving Just Got Easier & More Rewarding

At the Oley Valley Community Education Foundation (OVCEF), we are excited to share an important update that could make your generosity go even further.

EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2026 TAX YEAR, Thanks to recent legislation, charitable giving is now more accessible - and more rewarding - especially for everyday donors.

There's never been a better time to support the causes you care about most, and we want to help you take advantage of new tax benefits that make giving even more meaningful.

New Above-the-Line Deduction: Up to \$2,000

One of the biggest changes included in the legislation is the return and expansion of the above-the-line deduction for charitable contributions.

This means taxpayers can now deduct charitable donations **even if they don't itemize** - a win for many households.

- Up to **\$2,000** for those filing jointly
- Up to **\$1,000** for single filers or heads of household

This change opens the door for more people - regardless of income level - to support nonprofit organizations like OVCEF, and be rewarded for it. Whether you're giving \$50 or \$2,000, your contribution fuels local scholarships, education grants, and community learning initiatives in the Oley Valley. Consult your tax advisor.

How else can you help the OVCEF?

The OVCEF has a number of committees including community members who volunteer just a few hours of their time each year supporting our efforts. Some volunteers help at our fundraisers, stuff envelopes, interview scholarship candidates, and/or serve on our development, marketing, and community outreach committees. We are also looking for additional trustees to join our board. Please contact one of our trustees or Jen Schorr, our Executive Director, to learn more. Jen can be reached via email at oleyvalleycef@gmail.com or by calling 610-987-4100, x1200.



To learn more about the Oley Valley Community Education Foundation, EITC contributions, or to make a donation, please contact us at:

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OUR TRUSTEES

Pictured: Brian Pawling, Joe Hartz, Michael Billera-Smith, Tom Price, Steven Rodriguez, Nate Pletscher, Tom Kauffman, Kevin Bieber, Tracy Donoff, Kelsey Feeg, Jennifer Schorr, Stephanie Waits, Lauren Gluckman, Valerie Downing, Lisa Schaeffer

Not Pictured: Ashley Blessing, Michael Bucklin, Christopher Hartman, Ryan Krall, Missy Woodard