

The York Suburban Education Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization providing funding for innovative programs that enhance the educational experience and foster continued academic excellence for district students.

We do this by raising funds that are used to award grants to York Suburban teachers, administrators and students who have ideas for bringing learning to life. Donor support also funds YSEF's student-led Impact Foundation (IF).

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### **2022 CLASSROOM GRANTS**

YSEF awarded 9 classroom grants totaling \$22,473 in 2022. See details inside.

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## 2022 Annual Report

# WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT SUCCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS

As a non-profit education foundation, YSEF has worked for nearly 15 years to support teachers, students and families of the York Suburban School District. Our efforts have taken various forms but have stayed acutely focused on support that is meaningful and relevant. Throughout 2022, the impact of the pandemic continued to be felt throughout our school community and YSEF stepped up and stepped in. We worked to weave together our services, both social and educational supports with existing and new partners. With access to stabilizing supports, like food and clothing, students were better able to fully participate in academic offerings, including those funded through our classroom grants.

As we reflect on 2022, we recognize there are challenges that continue to face many in our community and beyond. As an organization, we were simultaneously taking steps forward while continuing to be responsive to the ongoing impact of the pandemic. YSEF is grateful for those that work with us throughout the year as we navigate obstacles, tear down barriers, and advance education together. This annual report details the impact of our collective work in 2022. From funding exciting and innovative grants that support teachers'

visions for their classrooms to addressing food insecurity through student led initiatives—we worked together to support opportunities for success for ALL YS students.

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Thank you to the following community members who donated their time and talent to YSEF in 2022:

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### IMPACT FOUNDATION REPORT

In 2022, the YSEF committee of the Impact Foundation continued to grow. This student-run committee consisted of 45 high school student board members operating with the support of several adult volunteers.

Throughout the year, we continued to support and grow our large District Closet (at Luther Memorial Church) and smaller Impact Closets in each school building. Student leaders ensured that each school had



Danica Landolt-Huse Class of 2024

the items needed to meet their specific needs, such as underwear at Yorkshire or gym clothing at the Middle School. In the District Closet, we circulated hundreds of items of clothing per distribution, maintaining the appropriate season clothing and sorting donations each week.

In the Impact Pantry, the number of families requesting help with food insecurity grew by the month. By the end of 2022, we were serving approximately 60 families each distribution with approximately 3-5 new families each month. We provided families with self-selected food, toiletries, household items, and more. Additionally, at each bi-weekly Thursday distribution, we provided fresh milk, eggs, bread, and assorted produce. A recent Pantry distribution served 56 families with 142 children/students. That means that for that week, 142 classmates were better equipped to go to school without the worry of where their next meal would come from.

During the year, YSEF IF hosted two large events. The first event was our "Back to School Palooza" where over 300 students received backpacks full of supplies, shoes, and clothing to start the school year off right. In December, YS families had the opportunity to get holiday food, gifts, toys, winter clothing, and more at our Holiday Food and Coat Distribution. At each of these events, and throughout the year at distributions, our impact was huge!

As the VP of Pantry in the year of 2022, I had the opportunity to truly see, hear, and be a part of the impact. From tracking the thousands of pounds of food we received from both the York County and Central PA Food Bank to taking orders for a family in need, I was able to see a side of York Suburban of which I was unaware. Each year, IF student members gain awareness, insight, and empathy. We are learning the skills to not only help our community, but to succeed in life. From time management and organization, all the way to grant writing and advocacy, each of us are learning something from being involved.

I am excited to see what 2023 brings and the ongoing impact we can make on the YS community. I am proud to have the opportunity to be IFs student president this year and look forward to continuing to advance our mission of "students helping students."



### 2022 CLASSROOM GRANTS

The York Suburban Education Foundation (YSEF) is pleased to announce it has awarded 9 grants totaling **\$22,473** through its 2022 Classroom Grant program.

◆ 3D Printer — Korbin Shearer (York Suburban High School)
With the funds from this grant, YSHS will purchase an additional FDM 3D printer to aid in the assistance of printing 3D projects for the CADD classes. \$4,195.00

### Architectural Virtual Reality

-Korbin Shearer (York Suburban High School)

This grant will provide a Virtual Reality headset and computer to be used with the architectural drawing program to incorporate Virtual Reality (VR) into the YSHS classroom. The use of this equipment will help the students in the architectural drawing classes get a more realistic sense of how the project design will feel in a physical space. \$4,147.85.

### Laser Engraver

-Korbin Shearer and Erica Furjanic (York Suburban High School)

This grant will purchase an additional laser engraver for the Applied Engineering/ Technology and Photography and Digital Design classes at YSHS. The use of this machine will help deepen the collaboration of projects and instruction between the art and applied engineering departments. \$5,063.00



### Graphic Novel Versions of To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

—Heidi Cebula (York Suburban High School)

This grant will fund two class sets of the graphic novel version of To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee for YSHS students. \$1,074.50

### Life Skills Learning Lab

—Ashlee Adams (York Suburban Middle School)

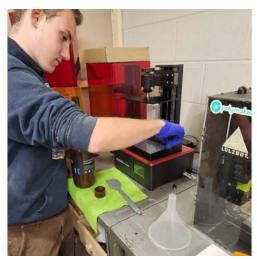
With the funds from this grant, YSMS Intensive Learning Support students, Autistic Support students, and students with a need that can be met through the use of a shared learning lab will have access to simulated real life opportunities. These materials will help the students apply functional, daily living, organization, fine motor, communication, academic, and problem solving skills that the students would encounter outside the classroom in their daily lives. \$1,000.00

On the Big Screen —Amy Kendrick (York Suburban High School)
With the funds from this grant, YSHS will purchase a large motorized screen and projector in the YSHS Library Media Center. The screen, projector, and speakers will be used to help teachers instruct medium to large groups of students in a safe and open room with additional research resources. \$2,729.00

Opposite page: (top) 2022 Holiday Food and Coat Distribution; (bottom) 2022-2023 Impact Foundation student volunteers

This page: 3D Printer grant (top); Graphic Novel Versions of To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee grant (middle); On the Big Screen grant (bottom)





Resin 3D Printing



Teambuilding, Collaborating, and Thinking Outside the Box While Escaping from the Jungle

- Resin 3D Printing Korbin Shearer (York Suburban High School)
  This grant will fund the purchase of two large build volume resin 3D printers and a wash and cure machine. The wash and cure machine is required to be used after printing to ensure the sustainability of the 3D printer. \$1,149.97
- Teambuilding, Collaborating, and Thinking Outside the Box While Escaping from the Jungle

—Kevin Willson (York Suburban High School)

This grant will fund the Jungle Escape deluxe kit with the additional helicopter kit and five participant books to provide enough materials for a class to participate in the 'Escaping the Jungle' simulation. \$1,153.89

### Visual Timers to Enhance Executive Functioning Skills

—Kellie Jean and Cathi Hicks (Yorkshire Elementary School and Valley View Elementary School)

The funds from this grant will purchase 90 color-coded timers (45 timers per building) for use in each grade level as well as specialists, paraprofessionals, and other staff at Yorkshire Elementary and Valley View Elementary. These timers will help students understand the abstract concept of time while learning to appropriately manage their time and develop their internal clock. \$1,960.02



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### In 2022, YSEF and YSEF IF participated in several fundraising initiatives . . .

On August 19, 2022, YSEF hosted its bi-annual **Celebration of Community.** This year the event was held at The Barn at Wyndridge Farms. 94 attendees were treated to live entertainment, food and beverages, and participated in a silent auction. All auction items were donated by businesses and individuals throughout the York Suburban community. Through 106 contributions, the event raised \$22,382.

May 4 & 5, 2022, YSEF once again took part in York County's biggest day of giving, **Give Local York**. For 24 hours across two days, donors from all over the county were given the opportunity to support nonprofits in the community. During Give Local York, YSEF raised \$8,735 through the generosity of 89 donors.

YS CeleGRAMs were available again in 2022! CeleGRAMs are an easy way for anyone to show appreciation to a YS teacher, YS staff member,

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or even a volunteer in the YS community. Purchasing a CeleGRAM in someone's honor can help fund YSEF Classroom Grants or can be designated to help the YSEF IF Pantry & Closet. In 2022, a total of 24 CeleGRAMs were purchased for members of our YS community. CeleGRAMs are available at ysef.org/celegram.

Throughout the year, the York Suburban Community helped the students of the Impact Foundation with several fundraisers and donation drives. These events helped support the pantry and closets. We would like to thank these organizations and all those who supported the fundraisers earning over \$16,500. The drives were amazing and brought in thousands of items to keep us stocked.

Boscov's, Farm to Freezer, First Capital Federal Credit Union, Giant Pauline Drive—Feeding School Kids Round Up Program and Fill-A-Plate Food Drive, Mid-Atlantic Media Hub, Mod Pizza, Neighborhood Community Drives (Farquhar and EY school area), State Farm-Ryan California Agency. YSSD initiatives: YS Basketball, YS NHS, YS Student Council, YS Teacher drives, YSMBA band night collaboration, YS Girl's HS Volleyball. And of course, the continued support from our on-line shoppers who buy from our "wish lists."

### Want to support YSEF? You can...

- GIVE A FINANCIAL GIFT directed to the fund of your choosing.
- DONATE new or gently-used clothing and new food items to the YSEF Impact Foundation.
- GIVE THE GIFT OF YOUR TIME by volunteering on one of the YSEF Board Committees.