



Firstmark Pledges \$100,000 to Help Students' Financial Education

In April, the Firstmark Foundation was pleased to announce its High Impact Grant award of \$100,000 to the Alamo Colleges District (ACD), in support of five new financial resource libraries, case management and financial wellness programming, and scholarship opportunities for students.

The construction of financial resource libraries—which will be located at all five colleges—will enable Firstmark to integrate financial wellness into the ACD's current Student Advocacy Center Network to equip students with essential life skills that extend beyond academics, aimed to improve economic and social mobility for local graduates. The resource libraries are anticipated to be ready to serve students in the new school year.



"We've seen first-hand how important it is to educate our young adults about money management, and we believe there's no better advocate to help them than our local Alamo Colleges District. We are incredibly thankful to our Power of the Dollar® members for making this all possible."

Marisa Pérez-Díaz
Executive Director / Firstmark Foundation

In addition to empowering students to effectively cultivate a stable financial future, the grant funds will be utilized to provide one scholarship on each of the five campuses to support broader access to higher education across Bexar County, as well as two internship stipends to support a 16-week financial wellness program. Committed to stewardship, the funds will also accommodate housing, utility assistance, or other emergency financial aid, to help students who come from low-income households and better assist their college experience.

To learn more about the Firstmark Foundation and the ways Firstmark Credit Union supports the education community on behalf of its members, please visit the Foundation tab at firstmarkcu.org.

2025 Cunningham Scholarship Winners

The Foundation were pleased to announce 20 college-bound recipients of the Cunningham Scholarship – each winner will receive \$1,000 toward their higher education!



Congrats!

Abigail Lee

New Braunfels ISD
New Braunfels High School

Ava Castillo

North East ISD
Johnson High School

Breelon Allen

Marion ISD
Marion High School

Chelsea Huber

North East ISD
Reagan High School

Corban Mueller

Medina Valley ISD
Medina Valley High School

Gabriel Navarro

Northside ISD
Clark High School

Gabryela Galvan

Southside ISD
Southside High School

Helen Guajardo

Archdiocese Schools of SA
Incarnate Word High School

James Maldonado

Somerset ISD
Somerset High School

Jeremy Maldonado

Northside ISD
O'Connor High School

Julian Hall

CAST Schools
CAST Tech High School

Kacey Luzius

Kerr ISD
Kerrville Tivy High School

Landon Sawyer

Comal ISD
Davenport High School

Lucio Arriaga

San Antonio ISD
Young Men's Leadership Academy

Mia Villagran

Northside ISD
Brennan High School

Nathan Morales

IDEA Public Schools
IDEA Carver College Prep

Ryan Almanza

Northside ISD
John Marshall High School

Sabrina Lerma

Archdiocese Schools of SA
Providence Catholic High School

Sunshine Flores

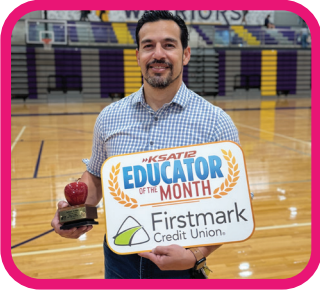
Fort Sam Houston ISD
Robert G. Cole High School

Tristan Villafranca

Private School
Keystone School

Educator of the Month

Educator of the Quarter



Sam Arrieta - April
Comal ISD
Pieper High School



Siobhan Hughes - May
Northside ISD
Raba Elementary



Rachel Goddard
La Vernia ISD
La Vernia Intermediate



Foundation Sponsorships & Events

Each year, we provide funds through sponsorships at various school district events, which is then used to support local teachers and students. For the second quarter, we contributed to the following foundations and programs:

- 🍏 Comal ISD Education Foundation
- 🍏 Communities in Schools
- 🍏 DoSeum's Museo Institute Scholarships
- 🍏 East Central ISD Education Foundation
- 🍏 Judson ISD Ed Foundation
- 🍏 New Braunfels ISD Education Foundation
- 🍏 Northside ISD Education Foundation
- 🍏 San Antonio ISD Education Foundation
- 🍏 San Antonio Report Education Forum
- 🍏 Region 20 Education Service Center



New Braunfels Education Foundation

We look forward to helping more foundations and schools throughout the remainder of the year!



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These contributions would not be possible without Firstmark's Power of the Dollar® members, who continue to provide a stream of resources to fund important initiatives that help create sustainability within the education system. Through the Firstmark Foundation, we will continue to make a positive impact in the education community through the collective giving of the credit union's membership.