



Foundation For Lovejoy Schools

ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

2023-2024



ABOUT US

The Foundation for Lovejoy Schools seeks to profoundly impact the success of each Lovejoy ISD student. We do that by supporting and encouraging educational excellence, innovation and achievement in Lovejoy. By raising funds and putting them to work, we appreciate and equip hardworking teachers through grants, fund district-wide student opportunities, staff professional development initiatives that are outside the budget of Lovejoy ISD, and contribute to the salaries of each of our six safety marshals. Donations from businesses, individuals and community organizations make up the resources the Foundation invests into Lovejoy ISD.

The Foundation for Lovejoy Schools, established in 2003, was created for the sole purpose of supporting the Lovejoy Independent School District.

Since our inception, we have raised more than \$6.5 Million to enhance education in Lovejoy ISD.

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*Foundation
dollars touch every
student, every teacher
in every school!*

TOP 2023-2024 YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- **20th Anniversary Celebration** We commemorated our 20 years of impact with a memorable reception attended by founding members, former directors, and honored guests, including a special recognition from the LISD school board, expressing gratitude to our steadfast donors over the past two decades.
- **Most profitable Denim & Diamonds event** Our gala soared to unprecedented heights this year, breaking all previous records, a testament to the unwavering support of our community and the dedication of our team.
- **Funded ALL approved grants** We are thrilled to announce we successfully fulfilled every approved grant request made by LISD teachers and staff this year, ensuring our commitment to enhancing educational opportunities within our community.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

Annual Appeal- Our annual campaign engages the Lovejoy community to raise support that enables the Foundation to grant critically needed funds benefiting every child in every classroom in Lovejoy ISD!

Denim & Diamonds- Our signature fundraiser is attended by more than 550 Lovejoy community members and features: a sit-down dinner, live and online auction, dancing and more.

Friends of the Foundation- Our annual corporate sponsorship program that allows local businesses to partner with the Foundation and receive recognition throughout the year at our four secondary events.

Ladies' Night- The women of Lovejoy gather for a fun evening of costumes, dance party and dinner.

Men's Cornhole Tournament- The men of Lovejoy gather for a cornhole tournament and dinner.

Tour of Homes- An exciting opportunity to visit multiple homes in the Lovejoy community, showcasing various architectural styles and designs.

Welcome to Lovejoy Breakfast- Every year we welcome families who are new to Lovejoy to learn more about the district and meet other new families.



OUR FOLLOWERS



885 INSTAGRAM
FOLLOWERS



1,900 FACEBOOK
FOLLOWERS



3,557 NEWSLETTER
SUBSCRIBERS

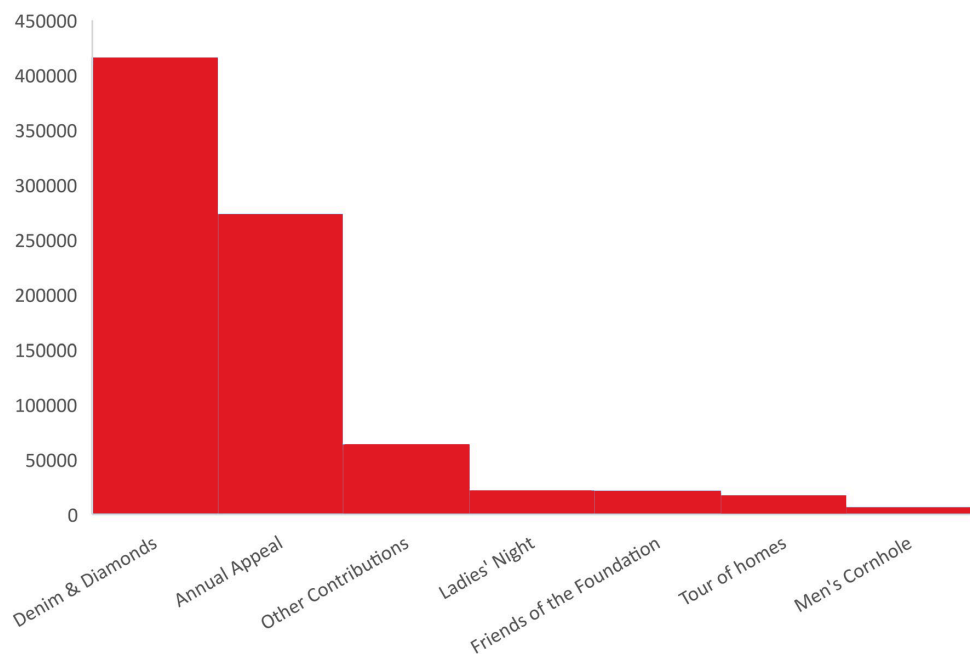
FINANCIALS

\$6.5 million

granted to LISD since 2003

The Foundation is committed to transparency and efficiency in our operations. While the national average and best practice for non-profits typically aim for at least 75% of functional expenses being allocated to the cause, we've exceeded expectations by directing over 85% of our resources toward grants benefiting LISD over the past three years. With just 10% dedicated to fundraising efforts and 5% to management, we ensure that the vast majority of our efforts directly support the students and staff of Lovejoy.

FUNDS RAISED 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR



Denim & Diamonds	\$416,042
Annual Appeal	\$273,594
Other Contributions	\$63,898
Ladies' Night	\$21,878
Friends of the Foundaiton	\$21,557
Tour of Homes	\$17,363
Men's Cornhole Tournament	\$6,629
TOTAL FUNDS RAISED	\$820,961

WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Donate to our Annual Appeal

Just like your dedication to various subscriptions and memberships, consider making a one-time or recurring donation to support education in Lovejoy ISD. Your contribution can help provide essential resources for our students and teachers, making a significant impact on their educational journey. **CLICK HERE** to support education by making a donation today!

Attend Events

We host four fundraising events per year, Denim & Diamonds, Tour of Homes, Ladies' Night and Men's Cornhole Tournament. These events are the perfect time for donors to come together and celebrate the important work of the Foundation while supporting financially through sponsorship. Sponsorship information can be found on our website for these events.

Corporate Sponsorships

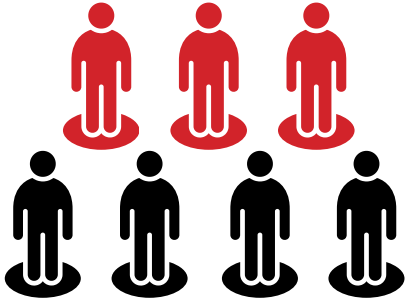
We would not be successful without the support of our corporate partners. Annual contributions from these partners allow the Foundation a level of security, while offering top-tier perks for our donors. To see available corporate sponsorship opportunities, please **CLICK HERE**.

Planned Giving

Planned giving offers a lasting impact on education by allowing donors to leave a legacy that transcends their lifetime. By including our foundation in your estate planning, you can support our mission through bequests, trusts, securities, or other planned giving vehicles. **CLICK HERE** to learn more.



SAFETY MARSHAL PROGRAM



Donations to the Foundation and funding from the State of Texas, provide the salaries and equipment needs for three of our seven marshals. Requiring LISD to fund the remaining four.

*Help relieve more of LISDs responsibility of funding by **CLICKING HERE**.*

Lovejoy is committed to creating a secure learning environment for our teachers and students. Since 2022, the Foundation has allowed donors to choose to donate toward classroom grants or the safety marshal program. Donations given to this program help cover the gap in funding provided by the state.

For LISD to annually staff and equip **7 Safety Marshals, it costs \$576,372**

For this now required program, **The State of Texas only gives us \$131,070**

Our donors helped fill the gap!

We raised more than \$125,360 this year to fund this important program to protect our students and staff.



GRANTS TO LOVEJOY ISD

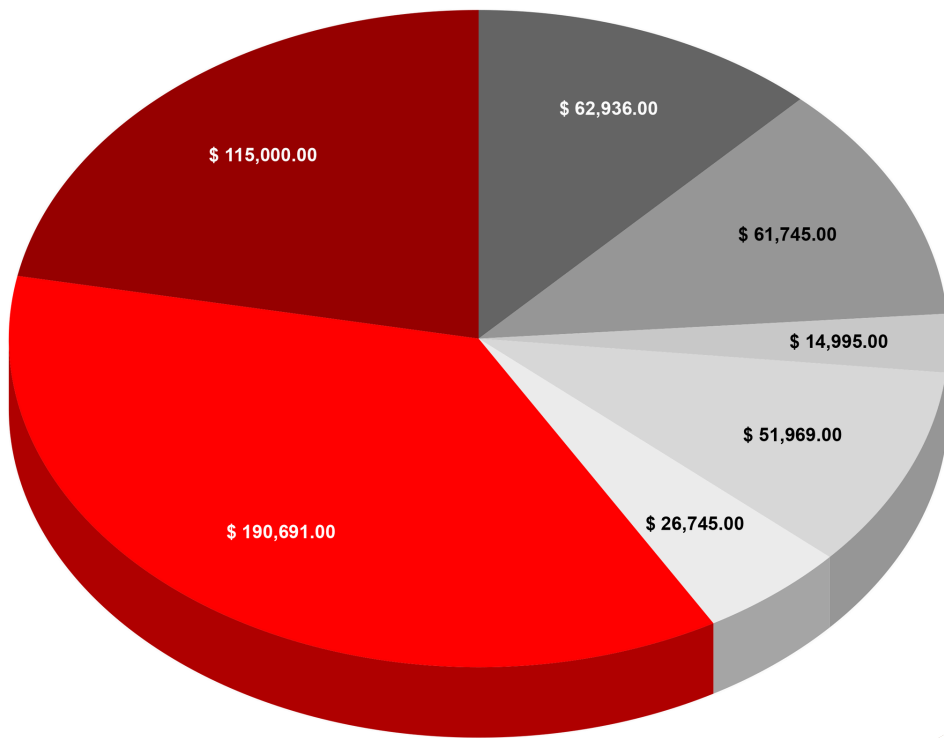
The Foundation is dedicated to enriching educational experiences within Lovejoy by providing teacher grants for innovative projects that enhance learning opportunities. These grants, aligned with Lovejoy ISD's Core Beliefs, highlight the exceptional learning environment offered by the district. We support our teachers and staff with two distinct types of grants:

- **Classroom Enhancements:**

Teachers are encouraged to submit grant proposals aimed at enhancing the classroom experience. Projects funded through these grants should reflect creative teaching approaches and align with Lovejoy ISD's educational objectives.

- **Holiday Bonuses:**

The foundation provided a \$200 holiday bonus to every employee of Lovejoy ISD, recognizing their contributions to the district's success and fostering a culture of appreciation and support.



CLICK HERE to see the comprehensive list of grants awarded for the 2022-2023 school year.

- FINE ARTS
- PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
- STEM / ROBOTICS / CTE
- ATHLETICS / PE
- SPECIAL EDUCATION
- CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION
- BONUSES / NEW TEACHER SUPPORT

TOTAL 2023-2024 GRANTS:
\$524,081



We're thankful for the support of all the businesses who support the Foundation and made a significant impact on the students and teachers of Lovejoy!

TOP TIER SPONSORS

Donated more than \$10,000



SEWELL

ROXANA & MICHAEL
DENHAM



Grateful Lovejoy Family



Sponsored more than \$5,000

Homes by J. Anthony
Abernathy Roeder Boyd & Hullett

HEB
Lovejoy HVAC
Park Place



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