



The SCHOOL in
ROSE VALLEY

Preschool through 6th Grade

Annual Donor &
Volunteer Report
2020 – 2021



Note from the Head of School



There is an African proverb that goes, “If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.” Strong community support has always been a hallmark of SRV, and this has never rung more true. When the School first faced the COVID pandemic, there were many unknowns. It was unclear how long the crisis would last, how we would be impacted financially, or if students and staff could endure the necessary changes and sacrifices.

We still have much work to do and are still facing the challenges of COVID, but we will survive. Enrollment is currently 155 students — a 30% increase — and almost all of our fantastic staff are returning this fall. These are good signs.

Because we were uncertain about how giving would be impacted last year, we kept our fundraising goals in line with previous years, despite a significant financial need created by the pandemic. Donors came through big time. Annual giving surpassed our target by 59%. A large part of this came through new enrollment in the Pennsylvania Individual

EITC program. EITC funds directly support tuition assistance, help SRV enroll a more diverse student body, and accept families who want to choose SRV regardless of their financial situation. Please read about this program on the back cover of this report and consider participating if you’re eligible.

Despite this outpouring of support, we are facing a rebuilding year. Meeting the early demands of the pandemic meant accessing our capital reserves, and we will need to restore those. And with more students come greater costs. Continuing to provide competitive compensation and benefits and support our teachers fully will result in continued retention, excellent care, and high-quality teaching, all of which lead to incredible outcomes for our students. Your ongoing support will help us maintain a healthy and robust school and realize a sustainable future for SRV.

With appreciation,

Rod Stanton

Head of School

The School in Rose Valley

The SRV Fund 2020-2021

Gifts made to *The SRV Fund* between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021

Gifts to The SRV Fund make an SRV education possible for a diverse student body, and help prepare our students to be the next generation of thought leaders, change-makers, and good stewards of our planet. We are grateful to the following donors.

Leadership Circle: Gifts of \$1,000 and above

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I am now (wow) 70 years old. My years at SRV continue to bring joy and personality to my life. Our Oldest Group motto was right: "Higher hills to head for, and higher rafters to jump for." - Alumni Donor

Rotzel Circle: Gifts of \$500 and above

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Guy & Julia Welbon
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My SRV grads are now a rising junior in college and a rising senior in high school. Who they are, as learners and people, is deeply rooted in the fun, rigorous, intentional educational experience. - Alumni Parent Donor

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Probably the best days of my life. What a wonderful community of enduring friendship.

- Alumni Faculty Member Donor

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My time at SRV positively influenced my life in too many ways to count! I am forever grateful to this place and even though I'd like to donate more, I hope that this small amount makes a difference in allowing future students to attend this magical space. - Alumni Donor

Community Circle: Gifts of up to \$100

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 Geoffrey Veith
 Charles Wardlaw & Sonia Jaipaul-Wardlaw
 Greg & Rebecca Warnken

I'm an SRV grad class of '72. SRV is the bedrock of my world view. - Alumni Donor

Thank You, Volunteers!

No pandemic can squash the dedication of SRV parents and community! The school year presented many challenges, one of which was how to connect and engage our community, and continue the traditions we hold dear. SRV relies on the helpfulness of parents and other community members to help maintain the grounds, plan and run special events, help care for animals, and more. This year, the Parent Community Organization and other volunteers rallied to build a new enclosure for our baby lambs, plan an exciting musical Harvest Fest on the field, hold a COVID-safe Mayfair, introduce a new fundraising event, Give & Groove, keep the Putter Day tradition alive, and much, much more. SRV is grateful to Nora Quinn and Sophia Toussaint-Williams for their PCO leadership, to every person who volunteered for a job or event committee, and to each and every parent and friend who sponsored or attended an event, or bought a raffle ticket. You all came through for SRV and helped prove the resiliency of this special community.

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Harvest Fest

Thank you to Sponsors Diggs & Dwell and Hollywood Landscaping, committee members Nora Quinn, Mary Fuchs, Sarah Wahlberg, and Becky Warnken, and to performers Peter Delaplaine, and Little Sparrow. And thanks to everyone who lent a fire pit, donated wine, or pitched in at the event!





Give & Groove

Thank you to all our Cello and Fiddle Sponsors and to our Bass sponsors: Philadelphia Stock Transfer, Inc, Dynamic Energy Solutions, and Mary Herzog for making the night possible. Big thanks to Under the Oak and Courtney and Danny Tracewski of Gypsy Wisdom. And thanks

to photographer Juliette Dade, and the SRV Board of Trustees for planning and volunteering for the event, and for always being there for SRV.



Mayfair

Mayfair this year was scaled-back but we didn't miss the chance to enjoy lemon sticks, dance for our parents, and play games with our friends. Each class made a beautiful art project under the guidance of their teachers and art teacher Courtney Seltzer, to be raffled off at Mayfair. Thanks to everyone who made and donated art, and everyone who bought raffle tickets. It was a fun way to celebrate the long tradition of the arts at SRV while raising funds for the school. Special gratitude goes to KJ Weist for donating her weaving made from upcycled t-shirts from Mayfairs past.



Introducing The Orchard Society

SRV is pleased to introduce The Orchard Society. The name of The Orchard Society honors the land our school is built upon, and the SRV family who donated it for our permanent campus location almost 90 years ago. Members of the Society have pledged a contribution to The School in Rose Valley in their estates, helping to ensure the long-term sustainability of our beloved School. If you have included SRV in your will, please reach out to notify School of your plans and to be included in the Society. If you would like to learn more about the value of legacy gifts to SRV and how you can join this effort, please contact Carrie Miluski for an informational conversation.

Your investment of \$350 can turn into \$3,500 for SRV through the PA Individual EITC program!



This year, SRV received almost \$90,000 in individual EITC contributions. These funds are restricted for tuition assistance and directly support our goals of enrolling and retaining a more racially and economically diverse student body. This program allows donors to receive a credit (refund) on their PA taxes equivalent to 90%

of their EITC gift. The minimum contribution through this program is \$3,500. If your household pays at least \$3,500 in PA taxes (approximately \$115,000 in taxable income,) you can take advantage of this program. Your contribution of \$3,500 to SRV will result in a tax credit/refund of \$3,150, costing you only \$350 after your taxes are filed. Your gift of \$10,000 will earn you \$9,000 back on your taxes. The benefits of this program to taxpayers and SRV cannot be overstated. If you would like more information, please email Carrie Miluski at carrie@theschoolinrosevalley.org.



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