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# North Carolina

### **Empowering Kids and Communities Foundation**

Impact Report 2022



# **Our Mission**

North Carolina Empowering Kids and Communities Foundation strives to provide children with the financial and physical assistance required to succeed, and provide an opportunity to break the cycle of poverty through education

- 1. NCEKCF provides students ages five through twenty-two financial support
- 2. NCEKCF provides scholarships for students from school to dance education



# A Message from our Director

A note from the Director

In 2022, we have dedicated our time to building additional partnerships and expanding our outreach to a variety of organizations.

A part of our effort this year was focused on partnerships with dance non-profits and foundations. This strategic effort has allowed our foundation to gain additional student scholarship recipients as well as established the foundation within the arts community. These dance programs not only recruit students from the local area, but also include outreach programs with the housing projects in their community.

We have spent time with each of our partners this year defining success criteria and ensuring the growth of the programs. We look forward to continuing our goal of breaking down financial barriers to programs like education and dance in order to provide equal opportunities for students.

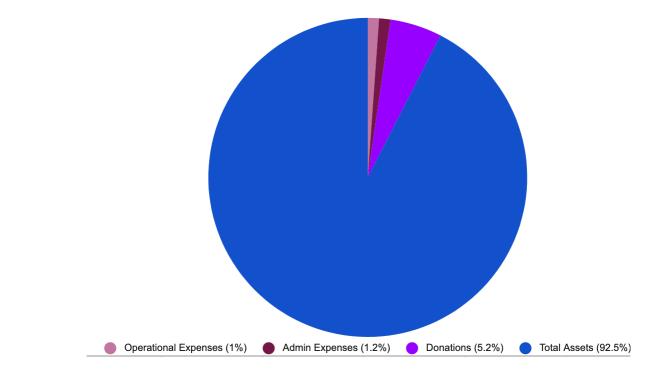
NCEKCF has continued to expand our reach to additional areas within the United States. In the past year we have provided support for students in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and New York. We look forward to expanding our reach and continuing to develop strategic partnerships across the United States.

We appreciate all of our partners for supporting our growth over the past year, and we look forward to seeing the growth and evolution of the foundation over the coming years!

### **Financial Summary**

#### Thank you to our 2022 Partners





Our 2022 Board Members: Charles Leuth: Founder and CEO Nicole Leuth: Executive Director



# Testimonials from our Students and Partners



"So far, College of Charleston has been a great experience for me. I am currently working on my first year and general requirements, and my favorite class at the moment has been sociology. My professors have been great, and their guidance has helped me excel in all my classes and keep my GPA at a 3.90. I have also joined some clubs, including the Hispanic/Latino Club, and I cannot wait to see what else CofC brings into my life." -Dana class of 2026

Bigs and Littles NYC: Our one-to-one mentoring program transforms the lives of young people, building hope and inspiring them to dream bigger, work harder to do well in school, and to plan for their future. We reach New York City children age 7 to 19 (providing services through completion of the critical first year of college) and their families, 80% of whom live below the poverty line and 70% are single parent households. 60% of our youth are first generation Americans and will be the first in their families to attend college.





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## Thank you

Dear supporter of NCEKCF:

We would like to thank all of our partners for the excellent work we have seen over the past year! It has been so exciting being able to engage with individual students, small non-profits, and large non-profit organizations. We appreciate all the hard work and support you all have put in over the past year. We are excited for next year and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

- Sincerely, NCEKCF team



