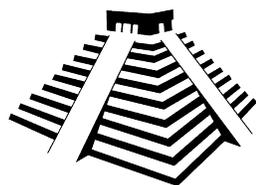




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Brothers & all Foundation supporters –

Many do not know this, but the Sigma Lambda Beta Education Foundation was initially funded out of a negative situation. In the late 90's/early 2000's Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc. was named in a lawsuit after a chapter used the fraternity's name when signing a contract to rent a house and failed to meet their financial obligation to the house owner. Out of necessity, the fraternity held a fundraiser and asked brothers for contributions to offset the costs associated with bringing the lawsuit to a conclusion. The response was so great that excess funds were raised, and that is what made up the seed money for this Foundation.

Since that time, the Foundation's Board of Trustees has been committed to building onto that initial principle, with a focus on fundraising based on positive situations. We ask contributors to be a part of improving the experience of brothers pursuing their education by giving to funds that provide scholarships to offset college expenses, as well as grants that allow our undergraduate brothers to develop programs that positively impact their communities. While we do provide some grants and scholarships, we are still focused primarily on growing the principle of the Foundation. As such, we are ultimately asking contributors to be a part of building something bigger than any one of them individually, the creation of funds that are large enough to last beyond all of our lifetimes.

2017 had ups and downs for the SLB Education Foundation. Changes were made to our Board of Trustees, which resulted in a stronger board and broader use of committees. A well performing stock market meant bigger increases in investment fund balances than we have experienced the past couple of years, offsetting a reduction in actual contributions. It also meant reaching a milestone for our Opportunity for Wisdom Fund, allowing for a 2018 expansion to the scholarships we provide. Additionally, an increase in grant request submissions allowed us, for the first time, to use all budgeted grant funds. Inside this annual summary are more details about these items, as well as others that made up our 2017 results.

I am extremely proud of the Foundation's continued ability to provide current day resources to brothers while growing the balance in all of our funds and continuing to improve and mature our programming. I am also very humbled and thankful for the contributors who willingly give of their 'Treasure', and as such enable the Board of Trustees to continue advancing the mission of the Sigma Lambda Beta Education Foundation.

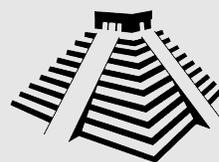
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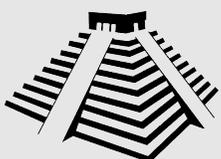
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## CONTRIBUTION HIGHLIGHTS

**\$14,681**

### General Education Fund

General Education Fund covers general operating, our grants program and support for Sigma Lambda Beta events.

**\$7,284**

### Entity Specific Funds

Entity Funds can be for any group in Sigma Lambda Beta that wants to build long term support.

**\$26,467**

# Total Contributions

203 unique contributors

The Sigma Lambda Beta Education Foundation partnered with Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc. to execute a short-term fundraiser to offset the costs of the 2017 Leadership Institute.

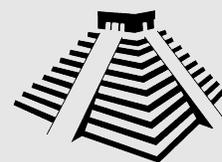
**\$3,343**

Drive for LI

The first major activity of the SLBEF is to raise funds. The pursuit of that purpose requires us to solicit contributions. The SLBEF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. As such, contributors benefit by being able to deduct contributions they make to the SLBEF from their federal taxes. The SLBEF is the only 501(c)3 organization that exists solely for the purpose of benefitting Sigma Lambda Beta and its brothers.

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# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



# \$15,750

Total Scholarship dollars given to members of Sigma Lambda Beta since 2002.

## Opportunity for Wisdom

Since 2002 the Foundation has offered scholarships to the Brothers of Sigma Lambda Beta. In 2006, 20 brothers agreed to found this fund, and this year it is fully endowed with a balance of over \$50,000! That means we will start giving **TWO** annual scholarships of \$1,000 to Brothers.



Brother Alvaro Gamboa, President of the Chi Chapter at Pace University, a consistent dean's list student, and a first-generation college student, was the 2017 Opportunity for Wisdom Scholarship recipient.

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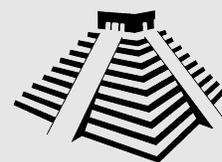
Total number of Opportunity for Wisdom scholarships provided to SLB Brothers.

# \$2,000

Starting in 2018, we will offer two **\$1,000 OFW scholarships** annually!

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## GRANTS HIGHLIGHTS



**Grant Highlight:** “To the Arlington and UTA Community, the Dia de Los Muertos event was very successful. To this day, we continue to receive complements on the event from peers, staff, and brothers. The four participating organizations enjoyed the event and expressed interest in collaborating in the future. The room was decorated and gave us plenty of exposure to students and other staff as it was a centralized location in a high traffic area. Our altar was set up before the event and allowed the audience to place their own pictures on the altar. The inclusion of Latino-based organizations helped make the event more genuine and provided us with a broader audience.”

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Total number of programs funded through our entity grant program.

A major activity of the SLBEF is to support the education-based endeavors of the brothers and entities of Sigma Lambda Beta by providing them money to assist with the funding of their events. While we continue to build our investment portfolio, we realize the need to show current day support of SLB and the brotherhood.

# \$32,956

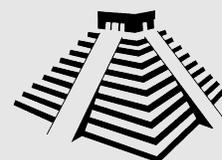
Total Grants provided by the Foundation to Brothers, Entities, and Sigma Lambda Beta to help offset educational and programming expenses. In 2017 we provided over \$4,500 to entities.

**Want Funding?** It is simple to apply for funding, we have a form to fill out on our website:

[www.slbfoundation.com](http://www.slbfoundation.com)

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## INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

**15%**

Average rate of  
return

**\$77,603**

General  
Education Fund

**\$50,573**

Opportunity for  
Wisdom Fund

**\$38,382**

Entity Specific Fund  
Investments

**\$30,237**

Foundation  
Checking

**\$222,400**

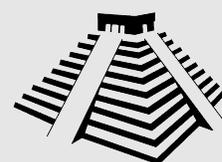
**Total Managed Funds**

**\$25,604**  
Leadership Institute  
for Tomorrow Fund

The long-term goal of the Foundation is to create a large investment portfolio that earns enough tax-exempt interest to be able to fund as many SLB efforts as possible without ever reducing the principal amount of the investments.

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