#### SOMERS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Consolidated Financial Statement	7/1/22-6/30/23	
INCOME		
Unrestricted Contributions/Interest	7,389.05	
Geissler's Receipt Program	11,483.08	
Amazon Smile	1,000.51	
Board Contributions	3,258.79	
Fundraising Event	51,082.95	
Total Income	74,214.38	
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EXPENSES		
Grants Awarded		
Elementary	17,336.61	
MBA	15,556.99	
High School	22,810.00	
Total Grants	55,703.60	
Postage/website/Insurance	1,612.08	
Fees, permits, supplies	<u>772.30</u>	
Total Expenses	<u>58,087.98</u>	
Net External Income	<u>16,126,40</u>	
Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2023		
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Short Term		
United Checking/Savings	7,729.22	
PayPal Account	0.00	
Investments		
American Cap Income Builder B	30,711.91	
American Cap Income Builder C	75,591.15	
American Cap Income Builder F	29,148.72	
American Inc Fund of Am AMECX	30,976.63	
American Inc Fund of AM IFACX	90,737.89	
American Inc Fund of Am UFAFX	57,851.77	
Vanguard 500 VFIAX	225,863.02	
Vanguard Cash	40,147.97	
Vanguard Emerging VWO	34,446.16	
Vanguard Mid Cap VIMAX	73,527.95	
Vanguard Small Cap VSMAX	66,370.55	
Vanguard VGK Europe	49,713.79	
Vanguard RWO Real Estate	63,154.57	
Total Investments	868,242.08	
Total Assets	<u>875,971.30</u>	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity Opening Bal Equity	85,742.13	
Retained Earnings	714,345.22	
Unrealized App/Dep	75,883.95	
Net Income	<u>16,126.40</u>	
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>875,971.30</u>	
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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

To preserve the community's commitment to educational excellence in the Somers Public Schools, by providing funding for innovative projects and programs which enhance student learning.



### **AWARD SUMMARY**

After review by its Grant Review Committee, SEF awarded a total of \$55,704 in grants this fiscal year. This included 7 Educational Grants (\$49,908) and 13 Professional Development Grants (\$5,796). Please visit our website (www.sefonline.org) for a detailed description.

# **FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES FOR 2022-2023**

THE BIG EVENT (APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>) FUNDRAISER GEISSLER'S RECEIPTS PROGRAM WWW.SMILE.AMAZON.COM

# **NAMED FUNDS**

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NAMED FUND \$25,000+
BENEFACTOR \$2500 - \$24999
PATRON \$1000 - \$2499
SPONSOR \$500 - \$999
FRIEND \$100 - \$499
CONTRIBUTOR \$1 - \$99



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Somers Education Foundation's 19th year was challenging yet successful. Endowment assets rebounded nicely and fundraising results improved dramatically courtesy of a wildly successful event in April which raised \$51,082! Total assets increased 12% YoY and is 1% better than the previous all-time high in 2021. SEF awarded \$55,704 this year, bringing the total to \$650,069. SEF has had a total impact (grants + endowment) \$1,526,040 since inception. For perspective, in its first year, SEF raised \$14,000 and awarded \$5900 in education grants.

It is with sadness that SEF accepts the resignations of Tara Moody, Tracy Formica and Kevin McCLure and thanks them for their contributions and making the fundraisers such rousing successes.

Michelle Bernier and William Kirkpatrick have agreed to serve another 3-year term.

The **Geissler's Receipt Program** continues to be a mainstay of funding. SEF thanks the **Nilsson Family** for its incredible generosity.

The Smile.amazon.com program was discontinued in February 2023.

SEF is now 19 years old. One of its founding tenets was to build a permanent, sustainable endowment so that SEF could award grants regardless of the economy and fundraising results. The endowment is working exactly as envisioned.

SEF's goals are to continue, in the words of its first President Lou Bachetti, to "think big," grow the endowment, increase community awareness, and provide greater funding for educational opportunities for every student in the Somers Public School System.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

Paul Salva, President and the SEF Board

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