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2nd Quarter Report: Development Committee

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Meetings

Throughout the second quarter of FY24, the Development Committee held monthly sessions. In these meetings, committee members actively participated in a thorough evaluation and discussion of the development plan for the SAA Foundation in FY24.

The funds under the purview of the SAA Foundation can be divided into two primary categories. The first category comprises funds with specific donor restrictions, including the Donald Peterson Fund, Ham Fund, Pinkett Fund, Mosaic Fund, Mellon Fund, NDRFA Fund, and Hammer Fund. The second category includes funds without donor restrictions, such as the Linda Henry Fund, Margaret Cross Norton Fund, and Strategic Growth Fund. d.

FY24 Appeals

The FY24 Appeals plan is nearing completion as the committee adds the final touches. In the second quarter, the committee meticulously reviewed and crafted communications directed towards both returning and new donors for the End-Year Appeal. The appeal, which spanned from Giving Tuesday on November 28, 2023, to January 2, 2024, successfully raised a total of \$13,184. The breakdown of funds is as follows:

- F. Gerald and Elsie Ham Scholarship: \$400
- Harold T. Pinkett Student of Color Award: \$80
- Linda J Henry: \$500
- Mosaic Scholarship: \$350
- National Disaster Recovery Fund Archives: \$1,225
- Philip Hamer & Elizabeth Hamer-Kegan Award: \$75
- Strategic Growth Fund: \$10,554

Furthermore, additional appeal efforts, including the May Day appeal, are in the pipeline.

Collaboration & Discussions

The chairs of the SAA Awards Committee are scheduled to convene with the Foundation Board, Vice President, and Assistant Director of the Foundation in April 2024. The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss the criteria requirements for the F. Gerald and Elsie Ham Scholarship, with the intention of making revisions for the FY25 SAA Awards cycle.

Furthermore, the Development Committee explored possibilities for rebranding the Strategic Growth Fund. Various options were presented to the Foundation Board. The Board of Directors is set to vote on the proposed name change during the February meeting.

2023-2024 Development Committee

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