



Supporting Postsecondary Credentials Without Debt

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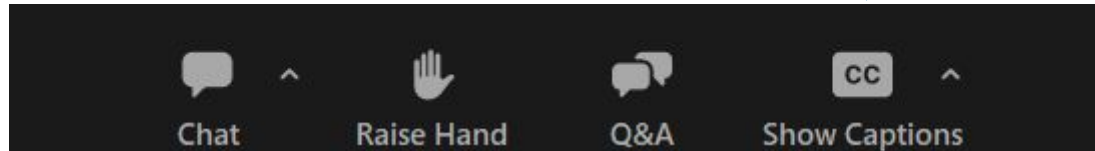
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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Opening Remarks
- Interactive Panel Discussion and Audience Q & A
- Final Reflections

Introductions

- Please introduce yourself in the chat. (Name, Pronouns, Organization You Represent, Where You Are Joining Us From)



Speakers



Ray Boshara
(Moderator)

Legislative Fellow,
U.S. Senator Bob Casey



Kevin Almasy

Manager, Career
Services & Alumni, Dell
Scholars, Michael and
Susan Dell Foundation



Tanya I. Garcia, PhD.

Vice President, The
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Access and Success



Kesa Jessup

Program Director,
Access to
Postsecondary
Education, The
Winston- Salem
Foundation

THE WINSTON-SALEM FOUNDATION

Strengthening Our Community Since 1919

- **Pioneers in Philanthropy:** Established in the Piedmont Triad Area of NC over a century ago, we have a rich history of fostering community growth and linking resources to action.

Our Impact in 2022

- **Financial Stewardship:** Managed \$650 million in assets
- **Generous Grantmaking:** Awarded \$76 million in grants
- **Broad Reach:** Supported 1,715 organizations & 685 students and teachers

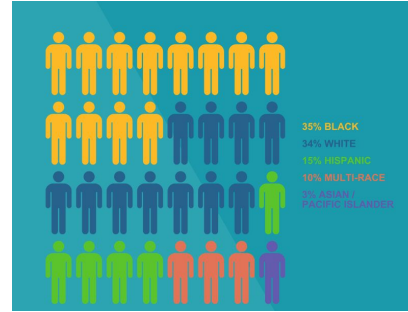
Collaborative Efforts for Local Development

- **Encouraging Philanthropy:** Actively promoting and facilitating giving to address local needs
- **Inclusive Economic Growth:** Building an inclusive economy and advancing equity in education to help transform systems that are making the support necessary
- **Convening and Sharing Community Voices:** Centering the lived experiences of community members and shifting the narrative around critical issues



The Winston-Salem Foundation Scholarship Program

- October 2023 marked 100 Years of the Scholarship Program
- 162+ Individual Scholarship Funds
- In 2022:
 - Awarded 743 Scholarships to 643 students
 - \$1.7 Million in Awards
- Common Application
- Utilize FAFSA data points to determine financial need
- Scholarships vary from \$1000 - \$12,000
- Renewable & Non-Renewable Awards





- Public colleges enroll more than three-quarters of undergraduate students, **including 81% of students of color**, yet state support has been declining for decades.¹
- Black college graduates **owe an average of \$25,000** more in student loan debt than white college graduates.²
- **66% of all student loan debt belongs to women.** Compared to other women, Black women have the highest level of student debt following college graduation at \$29,051³

¹ <https://ticas.org/affordability-2/student-aid/federal-state-partnerships/paving-the-path-to-debt-free-college/>

² <https://educationdata.org/student-loan-debt-by-race>

³ <https://educationdata.org/student-loan-debt-by-gender>

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