At Chicago Scholars, we believe that education is social justice. That’s why we are empowering Chicago’s best and brightest first-generation and low-income students with the mentors, resources, and opportunities to go to our nation’s best colleges and universities, graduate on time, and become Chicago’s next generation of leaders.

But we can’t do this work alone. An investment in Chicago Scholars from you or your company is an investment in the lives of young Black and Brown leaders across our city. By taking action and donating, you are a crucial part of breaking down systemic racism and creating a more just and equitable future.

**TAKING ACTION**

- **Sponsor a Scholar through our seven-year program**
  - $9,300

- **Commit now to host a college Scholar as an intern next summer**
  - $7,000

- **Fund a Scholar pursuing study abroad, a community-based project, or other opportunity to elevate their leadership development**
  - $3,500

- **Provide college counseling and mentoring supports to a Scholar who is navigating the college application process during COVID-19**
  - $1,500

- **Sponsor an upcoming event for our Scholars, such as Onsite, Writing Labs, or the Empowered Leader Experience**
  - $1,000

**INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?**

- Invite Chicago Scholars into your workplace for a lunch & learn
  - **Contact Nicole Johnson:** njohnson@chicagoscholars.org

- Consider becoming a Board Member or Associate Board Member
  - **Contact Rachael Carbone:** rcarbone@chicagoscholars.org

- Hire a Scholar full time or as an intern
  - **Contact Sasha Pena:** spena@chicagoscholars.org

- Discuss recruitment and retention strategies for people of color in your workforce
  - **Contact Jeffery Beckham Jr:** jbeckham@chicagoscholars.org

**ABOUT CHICAGO SCHOLARS**

We envision a vibrant Chicago powered by diverse leaders from every neighborhood. Through college counseling, mentoring, and by providing a supportive community to our Scholars, we ensure they reach their full potential as students and leaders. After college graduation, our Scholars move into leadership positions across Chicago, helping to drive the economic future of their communities and our city.

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**Educational Statistics**

- **4,000+** Chicago Scholars are in or have completed our program
- **95%** of Scholars are students of color
- **95%** of Scholars persist into their second year of college
- **83%** of Scholars earn their college degrees within 6 years
- **3,67** Average GPA of the current class of 2025
- **77** Chicago community areas and **114** high schools

*our most recent class of Scholars who will graduate college in 2025