



FRIENDS OF CAMBRIDGE RINDGE & LATIN SCHOOL

Annual Report 2018-2019



TABLE OF CONTENTS

Our Mission	2
Governance 2018-19	2
Board of Directors	2
Advisory Council	2
Staff 2018-19	2
Programs	4
College Scholarships	4
Faculty Innovation Grants	8
Student Travel Fellowships	9
Faculty Distinction Awards	10
Unsung Heroes	10
Donations and Gifts	11
Summary of Giving	11
Individuals' Donations	11
Organizations' Donations	14
Fundraising Events & Projects	15
Spring Bash 2019	15
Spring Raffle 2019	19
Appeal Letters	20
Gift Wrapping at Henry Bear's Park	20
Financial Summary	21
Volunteer and Colleague Appreciation	22
Become a Friend of CRLS	23

FOCRLS logo and Spring Bash logo designed by Carolyn Duffy

2019 program photos on front cover, clockwise from top: College Scholarships (FOCRLS photo);
 Student Travel Fellowships (Japan, courtesy of Travel Fellow Prachee);
 Faculty Distinction Awards (FOCRLS photo); Unsung Heroes (courtesy of Learning Community R);
 Faculty Innovation Grants (courtesy of Faculty Innovation Grantee Charlotte Dumont)

2019 Scholarship Night photo on back cover (FOCRLS photo):
 Anna, awardee of the "100 by 100" Cambridge Business Community STEAM Scholarship for Science, with her dad.
 Anna is now studying biochemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 with the goal of becoming a researcher to find new cures for diseases and more affordable treatments.

Our Mission

The mission of Friends of Cambridge Rindge and Latin School (FOCRLS) is to develop, support, and enrich the academic and social development programs at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School and to support the alumni of CRLS and its predecessor schools. In so doing, FOCRLS promotes achievement and community investment in the future of CRLS, its current students, and its graduates.

Governance 2018-19

Board of Directors

Jamie Ann Sabino, President

Neil Rosenburg, Treasurer & Scholarship Committee Chair

Dawn Baxter, Secretary

Georges Atallah

Ted Darling

Tracy Jean-Chronberg

Paula Paris

Daniel Serfaty

CRLS Principal Damon Smith, *ex officio* Board member

Advisory Council

Yvonne Appiah	Corinne Espinoza	Frank Kramer	Dr. David Link	Renee McLeod	Katherine Shozawa
Patrick Barrett	Victoria Harris	Paul Lee	Tom Lucey	Rev. Irene Monroe	Martha Sieniewicz
Charlie Bougas	Denise Jillson	Win Lenihan	José Mateo	Paul Parravano	David Vogel

Staff 2018-19

Elaine Schear, Executive Director
(retired August 31, 2018)

Esther Hanig, 2019 Spring Bash Manager
(October 2018-February 2019)

Janis Navikas, Administrative Coordinator

Ezra Howe, Summer Admin & Media Assistant
(Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program,
July-August 2018)

Zora Neale Walton,
After School Admin & Media Assistant
(January-June 2019)

Friendly the Falcon, Mascot



Janis and Ezra



Zora and Friendly

Executive Summary

Accomplishments of Friends of CRLS during Fiscal Year 2018-19 (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019)

We raised \$145,811 in funds to support opportunities for CRLS students, graduates, and faculty.

- \$137,912 in monetary donations, bringing our monetary donation grand total (FY06/07-FY18/19) to \$1,235,420
- \$4,872 in Spring Raffle ticket sales plus \$250 in Spring Bash raffle ticket sales
- \$2,777 in investment income

Additionally, we received approximately \$27,000 worth of in-kind donations. This total estimate includes the contributions from Google of the venue and catering for our Spring Bash in Kendall Square, as well as items and prizes from various donors for the live auction, online auction, and raffle in conjunction with the Spring Bash and our separate our Spring Raffle

- **The Friends of CRLS Spring 2019 Bash raised \$75,500.** Google in Kendall Square hosted and catered the event on February 28, 2019, which featured CNN/BPR/WGBH contributor Juliette Kayyem as our emcee and State Rep. Marjorie Decker as our guest speaker. The event was made possible by 28 event sponsors, a multitude of volunteers, and numerous donors.
- **College Scholarships presented by FOCRLS totaled \$53,000.** We presented \$51,500 in scholarships to 36 members of the CRLS Class of 2019 and remitted three \$500 installments for multi-year scholarships to our '18, '17, and '16 recipients.
- **Faculty Innovation Grants totalled \$11,500.** We awarded grants to 14 teachers and staff members to fund 12 individual and collaborative proposals of up to \$1,000 each to enrich curriculum in subjects including biology, music, drama, dance, poetry, health & wellness, and English.
- **Student Travel Fellowships totalled \$22,100.** We awarded fellowships to 14 financially and academically qualified students for educational trips: five students to Switzerland, France, Spain, Italy & Monaco; four students to Japan; one student to Italy & Greece; and four members of the UNICEF Club to Washington, D.C. for the 2019 UNICEF USA Annual Student Summit.
- **Unsung Heroes Awards**, funded by FOCRLS and organized by the CRLS Deans of Students, were presented each term to 16 students who have emerging leadership qualities yet don't see out the spotlight.
- **Faculty Distinction Awards** were presented, for the twelfth year, on the graduation stage in June to four faculty members nominated by seniors for their positive influence.

Programs

College Scholarships

Friends of CRLS presented a total of \$53,000 in College Scholarships during FY18-19, including \$51,500 to 36 members of the CRLS Class of 2019, which was \$2,000 more than we presented to the Class of 2018. We also remitted three \$500 installments for the “It Takes a Village” Multi-Year Scholarships to our ‘18, ‘17, and ‘16 recipients.

This year FOCRLS premiered the Elaine Schear “Voice of the First Generation” Creative Writing Scholarship, established to honor our organization’s co-founder and original Executive Director (who retired on August 31, 2018), to a graduating senior who demonstrates a talent for and an interest in creative writing and who is a first generation college student.



Elaine Schear Ed.D., FOCRLS co-founder and original Executive Director, with Gassendina, awardee of the Elaine Schear “Voice of the First Generation” Creative Writing Scholarship.

Gassendina is now attending UMass Amherst, studying international relations:

“If we took the time to learn what life is like in other people’s shoes in different parts of the world, we would find some connections with them; we could all stand together united. That’s what I want to do for a living, restore relationships between nations and restore empathy.”

We also had the honor of presenting the CRLS Core Values Scholarship Sponsored by the Class of 1953, who collected the funds to commemorate the 65th anniversary of their high school graduation.

Sloane, awardee of the CRLS Core Values Scholarship Sponsored by the Class of 1953, now attending Skidmore College, studying neuroscience:

“The intersection of the brain and exercise is my passion. I want to become a scientific researcher and unravel the impacts of exercise on treating neurodegenerative disorders. Since the age of two, I have been volunteering for the organization Birthday Wishes, and throughout my educational and professional careers, I will continue committing my time to others’ wellbeing.”



Our Class of 2019 College Scholarships and Recipients

Recipients must meet academic, financial, and enrollment requirements as well as these criteria specific to scholarships.

CRLS Core Values Scholarship (four, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students who exemplify *Opportunity, Diversity, Respect*. Awarded to: Anaya Benzan, Sagyan Aryal, Albert Liu, and Nellisha Leonce

Anaya is a third-generation Cantabrigian and CRLS graduate. Both her parents and three out of four of her grandparents graduated from CRLS / Rindge Tech / High and Latin. Building upon her four years of serving as a peer mediator at CRLS, Anaya is now pursuing law studies at Bucknell University, where she is a Posse Scholar, with the goal of becoming a mediator for legal disputes between families: “Communication is vital to maintaining a healthy mindset, and to be able to alleviate the stress of others is a rewarding task.”



CRLS Core Values Scholarship Sponsored by the Class of 1953 (one, sponsored by the Class of 1953) – to a student who exemplifies *Opportunity, Diversity, Respect*. Awarded to: Sloane Zwanger

CambridgeSeven STEAM Scholarship (one, sponsored by CambridgeSeven) – to a first generation college student pursuing a career in Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, or Mathematics. Awarded to: Sagyan Aryal



Sagyan, recipient of the CambridgeSeven STEAM Award and a CRLS Core Values Scholarship – pictured with CambridgeSeven’s Patti Intrieri and Gary Johnson on Scholarship Night – now studying computer science at UMass Amherst:

“My passion for computer science has stemmed from the ability to be creative and resilient. I want to become a software developer where I can apply my skills to developing solutions to some of the world’s greatest problems. I want to be able to create more sustainable solutions to environmental problems through the use of algorithms to track and mitigate ways that we humans are exploiting the Earth. I have always loved business and entrepreneurship, and so by pursuing computer science in college I will have the skill set to innovate something that can be beneficial to the entire world.”

Friends of CRLS First Scholars (three, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students who are the first in their immediate families to attend 4-year colleges. Awarded to: Betelhem Derege, Lena Solomon, and Josee Stephen

Friends of CRLS First Scholars Sponsored by Cambridge Trust Company (one, sponsored by Cambridge Trust Company) – to a student who is the first in their immediate family to attend a 4-year college. Awarded to: Mohammed Kabir

Charlene Holmes Memorial Award (four, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students nominated by teachers and staff for exhibiting generosity, caring, and aspirations. Awarded to: Javon Carpenter, Adrianna Lopez, Christelle Perceval, and Tyla Santiago

Dr. Christopher Saheed Future Educators Scholarship (one, sponsored by Dr. Christopher Saheed) – to a student pursuing a career in education. Awarded to: Benjamin Surrette

Benjamin, awardee of the Dr. Christopher Saheed Future Educators Scholarship, now studying psychology and early childhood education at UMass Amherst:

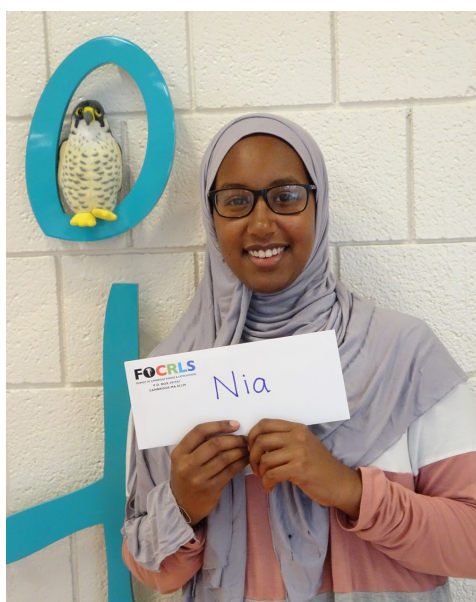
"I want to receive my bachelor's degree and continue on to get my master's in social work or teaching. I have experience in working with children in daycare and summer camp settings as well as foster children in a summer camp setting. Growing up as the youngest of ten children, I had always wanted to take on the role of the older sibling. Being that example for younger kids is really gratifying for me."



Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions (two, made possible by family, friends, colleagues, and patients of Dr. David A. Link) – to students pursuing careers in the field of health care. Awarded to: Fatima Dahaba and Nia Abdurezak

Nia, awardee of a Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions, now studying biomedical engineering at Tufts University with the goal of becoming a research scientist:

"My career goal is to cure diseases and improve human conditions using engineering and science through drug development research. I plan to work towards changing the state of inequality in access and availability of life saving drugs. I want to not only lead in the innovation of drugs and contribute to a diverse work space and lab but be a leader and example for younger minority scientists."



Elaine Schear "Voice of the First Generation" Creative Writing Scholarship (one, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to a student who demonstrates a talent for and an interest in creative writing and who is a first generation college student. Awarded to: Gassendina Lubintus

Elizabeth Vernon Scholarship for Volunteerism and Community Service (one, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to a student who has demonstrated a dedication to community service. Awarded to: Nada Abdullah

"It Takes a Village" Multi-Year Scholarship (one, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to a student attending a Massachusetts public university or community college. Awarded to: Aliyha Santiago Rodriguez

Aurora M. (Ciccariello) Leydon Memorial Scholarship (one, sponsored by John Leydon) – to a student who is a resident of East Cambridge. Awarded to: Davidson Lafontant

Calvin Hicks Memorial Award for the Study of Music (one, made possible by family and friends of Calvin Hicks) – to a student who demonstrates a commitment to music. Awarded to: Ezra Rudel

Colonel & Mrs. Henry Bayard McCoy Memorial Scholarship (four, through the Bayard McCoy Memorial Fund) – to male students excelling in U.S. History and performing community service. Awarded to: Anthony Grassi, Rory Millar, Mahamed Mohamud, and Alexander Sadock

Juliette Kayyem & David Barron Scholarship for Children of First Responders (one, sponsored by Juliette Kayyem & David Barron) – to a student who is the child of an emergency care, firefighting, or law enforcement professional. Awarded to: Anthony Grassi

Earl M. Gardner Scholarship (two, sponsored by the Gardner family) – to students who have demonstrated a dedication to community service. Awarded to: Ahmad Nehela and Sheden Soleman

Fresh Start Contracting Corp. Award for Carpentry (one, sponsored by Fresh Start Contracting Corp.) – to a student who has excelled in carpentry classes for two years. Awarded to: Eoin Rogers

Mary Frances Monti Memorial Scholarship (one, sponsored by Neil & Katie Rosenberg) – to a student showing academic and personal growth. Awarded to: Katya Bunten

Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship (one, sponsored by Mary Tavares Sutula and family) – to a student who is a first generation college-bound student with immigrant parents. Awarded to: Sheden Soleman

Patrick Ewing Scholarship (one, sponsored by Patrick Ewing) – to a student of African or West Indian descent. Awarded to: Peterlee Dorielan

Peterlee, awardee of the Patrick Ewing Scholarship, now studying business management at Bentley University: "My goal is to start a business that will put my home country, Haiti, on the map. I want to start an industrial revolution for Haiti, put them on the world map for trade and commerce, and help to build up a stable economy."



Rose & Victor Rifkin Family Scholarship (two, made possible by family, friends and descendants of Rose & Victor Rifkin) – to students who are first-generation U.S. citizens pursuing the American Dream. Awarded to: Prachee Roy Mazumder and Mahdi Ibrahim



"100 by 100" Cambridge Business Community STEAM Awards (five, sponsored by members of the Cambridge business community) – presented to students committed to the STEAM fields. Awarded to: Anna Rasmussen for Science (photo with dad on back cover), Albert Liu for Technology, Ulrick Desarmes for Engineering, Liana Nogie for Arts, and Inho David Lee for Mathematics

Albert, awardee of the "100 by 100" Cambridge Business Community STEAM Scholarship for Technology and a CRLS Core Values Scholarship, now enrolled at the University of California Berkeley, studying computer science:

"I want to apply artificial intelligence and machine learning to decrease traffic in urban environments. I plan to focus on learning about algorithms and artificial intelligence and ultimately learn how to use software and robotics to bring my dream of solving urban congestion into reality."

Faculty Innovation Grants

Friends of CRLS awarded \$11,500 in Faculty Innovation Grants during FY18-19 to 14 teachers and staff members to make it possible for them to implement a total of 12 projects with the goal of energizing the educational experience beyond the limitations of the CRLS/CPS budget.

Our 2019 FOCRLS Faculty Innovation Grantees

Alvaro Amaral and Shantu Salvi, Health & Wellness Teachers — “Development of Nutrition Education Curriculum with Healthy Foods”

Brett Cramp, Drama Teacher — “Guest Artist Theater Maker & Choreographer”



Charlotte Dumont, Teacher, ELL Dept. — “CRLS Department of English Language Learners Community Building Project”

Photo courtesy of Faculty Innovation Grantee Charlotte Dumont, whose proposal was to foster a sense of belonging in the school community by presenting CRLS t-shirts and hoodies as prizes and awards to deserving students at English Language Learners (ELL) events, including the spelling bee.

David Figueroa, Teacher, ELL Dept. — “The Common Ground through Dance Initiative”

Drew Pierce, Math Teacher at High School Extension Program — “Mountain Classroom for HSEP Students”

Emmanuel Oppong-Yeboah, 11th Grade English Teacher — “CRLS Open Mic + Poetry Series”

Ivan Stefanov, Chorus Teacher, A Cappella Adviser — “A Cappella Guest Artist”

Laura Umbro, Music Teacher — “CRLS Chamber Music Collaboration”

Sandra Cañas, Enroot Program Director, and Juan Casillas, Faculty Latino Club Adviser — “African American and African Caribbean Showcase / Latino Club”

Photo courtesy of Faculty Innovation Grantees Sandra Cañas and Juan Casilla, who organized an African American and Afro-Caribbean showcase featuring musician and educator Jorge Arce. Mr. Arce gave a performance using 25 Caribbean percussion instruments, history, geography, storytelling, and multimedia projections. An audience of 400 students celebrated and learned how African music helped shape jazz, salsa, merengue, and other kinds of music.



William McDonald, Biology Teacher — “Antibiotic Resistance Lab”

Susie Van Blaricum, Adviser to CRLS Student Government Junior Representatives — “Junior Prom”

Vera Duarte, Teacher-in-Charge, ELL Department — “Bringing the Prom Experience to Immigrant Youth”

Student Travel Fellowships

Friends of CRLS awarded \$22,100 in Student Travel Fellowships during FY18-19, divided among 14 students:

- four members of the UNICEF Club to Washington, D.C. for the 2019 UNICEF USA Annual Student Summit in March
- five on the April trip to Switzerland, France, Spain, Italy & Monaco
- four on the June trip to Japan
- one on the July trip to Italy & Greece

Fellowships covered up to 75% of trip costs, with each of the fellows raising and earning 25% or more of the money they needed to participate in their educational, school-authorized, group trips of choice. All travel fellows, who met academic and financial requirements, were recommended by CRLS faculty.

Photo courtesy of CRLS Special Education Teacher Mary Collins, UNICEF Club Advisor & CRLS Arabic Teacher Ibrahim Dagher, and the four members of the CRLS UNICEF Club who attended the 2019 UNICEF USA Annual Student Summit in Washington, D.C. The students took part in a Water Walk to experience what people in some countries need to go through to get fresh water, heard talks by a variety of experts, and engaged in discussions of numerous social cause topics. They also advocated for children worldwide by speaking to members of Congress, and as Mr. Dagher told FOCRLS, "The students reported this experience to be exhilarating and invaluable as the most direct and impactful participation in civic discourse they have ever had in their young lives."



Photo courtesy of Prachee, a recipient of a Student Travel Fellowship to Japan, (now studying biochemistry at Colby College with the goal of becoming a research scientist):

"Thank you so much for giving me a Student Travel Fellowship, making it possible for me to travel to Japan. Through this trip I got to learn about the Japanese community and culture. Their close-knit community inspired me to work more closely with my community and build a strong relationship with them. This trip has made me interested to learn more about the Japanese culture and language. I hope to continue learning Japanese in college."



Faculty Distinction Awards

For the 13th year, FOCRLS sponsored the Faculty Distinction Awards, bringing the total number of honorees since 2007 to 52. The four outstanding educators, nominated by members of the graduating class for having the most positive influence on their high school years, were presented with framed certificates and greeted with thunderous applause and cheers at the graduation ceremony on June 6, 2019.

Left to right:

Duncan MacLaury, Melissa Chaney, Eva Lam, and Ibrahim Dagher

Duncan MacLaury is a U.S. history teacher with an M.A. in teaching from Tufts University. One nominating student wrote, "Mr. MacLaury is knowledgeable and super nice, and he wants to help all of his students. He makes history fun and interesting."



Melissa Chaney is an artist and educator with an M.A. in creative arts in learning from Lesley University. One nominating student wrote, "Ms. Chaney is one of the most supportive and encouraging teachers I have ever had. I really love how she takes time to engage individually with each student."

Eva Lam, who teaches AP World History and AP Comparative Government & Politics, has a doctorate in education from the University of Oxford. One nominating student wrote, "Dr. Lam is a phenomenal teacher who makes her content interesting and entertaining to her students while forcing her class to grapple with important and complex topics."

Ibrahim Dagher, who has a master's degree in public administration from the Harvard Kennedy School, pioneered CRLS's Arabic Language Program. Additionally, he is the adviser of the school's Arabic Club and UNICEF Club. One nominating student wrote, "Mr. Dagher is full of unmatched energy and makes learning enjoyable and engaging. He is also second to none as a support system for countless students."



Unsung Heroes

Photo courtesy of Learning Community L, honoring a group of 2018 Heroes

Since 2009, FOCRLS has sponsored the Unsung Heroes program, which celebrates 16 students each term, one per grade per learning community. Students are chosen by deans, counselors, and teachers for their particular emerging leadership qualities, such as support of peers, community service, academic improvement, contributing to a positive school environment, and other achievements that might otherwise go unrecognized. The Heroes and their families attend breakfast celebrations — catered by the Rindge School of Technical Arts culinary department — where certificates and Falcon logo watches are presented to the honorees.

Donations and Gifts

We at FOCRLS are deeply grateful to all of our donors

Summary of Giving

In FY2018-19, FOCRLS received **\$137,912.00** in monetary donations from hundreds of generous people in and around Cambridge who want to brighten the future for our students and our whole community: **\$83,264.40** from individual donors, including families, and **\$54,647.60** from organizations, including businesses, corporations, and foundations. (These figures exclude raffle ticket sales.)

Additionally, we received an approximate total of \$27,000 worth of in-kind donations, including the venue and catering for our [Spring Bash 2019](#) courtesy of Google, Kendall Square, as well as items for the live auction, online auction, and raffle in conjunction with the [Spring Bash 2019](#) along with prizes for our [Spring Raffle 2019](#)

Individuals' Donations

Gifts from individuals – CRLS alumni and family members, Cambridge residents, and other community supporters – in FY2018-19 totaled **\$60,764.40**. This sum includes Spring Bash event sponsorships from individuals' amounting to \$8,000; please see the list of event sponsors in the [Spring Bash 2019](#) section of this Annual Report. Apart from our anonymous event sponsors, we received a total of \$2,036.84 in donations from individuals who want to remain unnamed.

Photo courtesy of Drew Pierce, High School Extension Program math teacher and 2019 Faculty Innovation Grantee for "Mountain Classroom Trip for HSEP students." As one of the student participants described their adventure, "I'm a city kid, this was my first time being in the outdoors, and this was a great learning experience for me."



Individuals' Donations to our General Fund

\$1,500 and up

Paul Fiore & David Foley John & Kristin Macomber

Doris J. Jurisson & Reed Alexander Tom Mrwoka

Winifred Lenihan

\$1,000 – \$1,499

Dawn Baxter & Spence Smith

Gary & Kathleen Johnson

Bahati Kanuma & Guillaume Kalere

Susan Bernstein

Elizabeth Keating

Naveed Rahman & Caroline Butler-Rahman

Alexander Broich

William & Lisa Laskin

John Stone & Sally Peterson

Jon Come & Alexandra Gould

George W. Lloyd

Ramie Targoff & Stephen Greenblatt

\$500 – \$999

Eleanor Andrews	Avra Goldman & Steven Greenberg	David & Catherine Sullivan
Andus Baker & Rowan Murphy	Patricia Goudvis	Fern Suporn Supawanich
Elizabeth Barringer & John Clark	Harpreet Grewal	Amy L. Domini Thornton
Lauraine Boccone	Sibylle Kim	Elizabeth Warren
Frederick & Kimiko Ek	James & Etsko Meyers	Christopher & Ingrid Wright
Luke Fletcher	Susan Schuur	Quinton Zondervan

\$250 – \$499

Heather Allen & Barry Goldman	Gilbert Forest	Randy Peeler & Kate Kellogg
Joseph & Jane Antebi	Alan Garber & Anne Yahanda	Nicholas Ross
Noah Berger & Ann Marie Leshkovich	Victoria Harris & William Blanchard	Amartya Sen
Barbara Bestor	Tracy & Bertil Jean-Chronberg	Gao-Wen Shao & Michael Liebson
Annie & Chad Bonney	Pam Klein	Sumbul Siddiqui
Lenore J. Cowen	Matt LaRue	Jason Targoff & Marcella Anderson
Jean Cummings	Christopher & Heidi Legg	Christopher Zurn
Francis Duehay & Jane Lewis	Jessica Mark Welch	Heather Nelson & Lawrence Kolodney
Alison Field-Juma & Calestous Juma	Kathleen Moore	
Megan DeMott-Quigley & David Quigley	Elisabeth Fieldstone Kanner & Joshua Kanner	

Up to \$250

Clark & Wendy Abt, Alexander Aminoff, David Arsen & Maggie Levenstein, Steven Atlas, Melissa Bartick, Avner Baz, Aleza Beauvais, Martin Bechthold, Alan & Debby Beck, Bettina Beckman & Ronald Castile, Eleanor (Nell) Beram, John & Jean Berke, Donald Berman, Kimberly & Bradley Bernstein, Deb Biba, Alfred Bigelow, Sharon L. Bober, Manny & Susan Bonitatibus, Betsy Bowden, Catherine Brady & Nancy Cole, Diane & David Brancazio, Ann Braude & Andy Adler, Christine Brown, Angie Brusch, Charles Burlingham Jr., Cynthia Carpenter, Maria Helena (Moura) Carvalho, Ann & Mark Cason-Snow, Cristina E. Catt & James P. Loutzenhiser, Daniel Chasman, Beverly A. Clark, John & Ann Cobb, Virginia F. Coleman, Dennis & Maura Colling, Edward L. Collymore, Marcia L. (Burnett) Collymore, Eugenia Hichun Conway, Nina Coslov & Howard Rice, Alfred Cox, Patrick Cunningham, Judy & Chris Cupas, Susan & Paul Cusack, Jessica Daniels & Paul Blackborow, Nazidir Dasilva, Chao Li Deng & Guanyu Chen, Ona Dike-Amenechi, Militi Dikeos & John Hollister, Edward L. Dudley III, Felton Earls & Maya Carlson Earls, Katie Ehresman & David Kowe, Alfred B. Fantini, Eleanor Arcanjo Farinato, Laurie & William Fitts, Jane & Phillip Fontana, Theo Forbath & Alison Roberts, Mike Fowler, Debra Fox, Susan Freedman & Mark Zeidel, Richard Freierman, Henry & Priscilla Frisch, Giulia Fulci, Margaret Gadon,

Charles & Constance Gagnebin, Agnes & Cliff Gallant, Sarah Gallivan & Gopalakrishna Kadagathur, Nassir Ghaemi, Grace Beatrice Gill, Gary Goldstein, Joseph P. Gone & Tiya Miles, Janet Green, Harriet Ely Griesinger, Thomas & Kristin Griffin, James Gussen, Virginia Hall, Esther Hanig, David & Fay Hannon, Sally Hansen, Joseph Harris & Monika Totten, Paul G. Hines, Arthur W. Hughes III & Jane L. Greenhood, Arlyne Jackson, Sylvia Kantor, Jonathan & Katherine Kaufmann, Elisabeth Keller & Steven Bonsey, Richard Kelly, Peter Kelsey & Ginger Ryan, Laura Kershner, Peter & Kyoko Kirby, Karen & Charles Korn, Paul S. Kramer, Jennie Kwo, Richard Lacoss & Cynthia Oldham, Mary Laitres-Campbell & Patrick Laitres, Peter Sturges & Sasha Lauterbach, Michael & Elisabeth Lay, Judy & Steve Leff, Anker & Dibba Lerret, Sara Levine, Jingying Li, Joo Kun Lim, Wanda MacNair, David P. Maher, Kevin Massey & Dita Obler, Karolyn Maws, Mary McCagg & Kane Larin, Barbara & Edward McDonald, Andrew McLaughlin, Paul McLean, Keith McNeill, Philip L. Millstein, Jennifer & Tod Robert Minotti, Nicholas & Nayla Mitropoulos, Elaine S. Morse, Jacqueline Mow, Nicole Newendorp & David Taylor, Allan & Spencer Nineberg, Wendy Noblett, Patricia Nolan & David Rabkin, Nina Nolan, Diane & Charles Norris, Peter & Pamela Oldham, Jonathan J. Olken, Elaine O'Reilly & Ron Benham, Ariel & Juliana Pakes, Maria Panagopoulou, Paula Paris, Paul & Margaret Pearlson, David & Lori Perry, Amanda Peters & David Emerson, Judy Polacheck & Jonathan Rosand, Barbara Powell, MacLaren Randall, Julie Rochlin & Robert Melvin, Abby Rockefeller & Lee Halprin, Anthony & Tamara Rogers, Diane Roseman & Steven Spitz, Melvin & Marilyn Rubin, Sarah Ruiz, Jamie Sabino & Richard Klibaner, David J. Salomon, Ellen Sarkisian & John F. Maher Jr. , Elizabeth Schainkez & Gojeb Frehywot, Neil Schiavo, Shirley (Rogert) Scimone, Mary Ann Serra & Richard Downey, Frieda C. & Eugene Shapiro, Tim & Martha Shaw, Selena Sheaves, Laura Sheffield & Jonathan Austin, Leslie Shelman, Yih-hsien Shen & Paul Cannistraro, Jayme Shorin, Martha & Thomas Sieniewicz, Marcy Silbert, Richard Simeon, Denise Simmons, Rachael Solem, Mike & Jo Solet, Frank & Victoria Solomon, Eileen Span & Mark Vanger, Anne St. Goar & Shippen Page, Eden R. Steinberg & Peter Muz, Caroline Sullivan, Sandra M. Sweetnam, Annette E. Terzian, Robert & Amy Truog, Monica Velgos, David G. Vogel, Constantin Vonwentzel & Shoma Aditya, Cecily Cline Walton, Donald & Susan Ware, Marco W. Werman & Schuyler S. Engel, Marjorie Westerman, Martha Williams & Honora Willcutts, Margaret Woisin, Alice Wolf, Edwin M. Wolf, Jane Wolfe, Jack Mikhail Wolfson, Heather Woodcock, Dorothy Zinberg, Cathie Zusy

Individuals' Scholarship Sponsorships and Targeted Gifts

Drs. Mary & Francis Sutula, \$2,100	→ Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship
John Leydon, \$1,500	→ Aurora M. (Ciccariello) Leydon Memorial Scholarship
Miriam A. (Millen) Daley & the Class of 1953, \$1,200	→ CRLS Core Values Scholarship Sponsored by the Class of 1953
Patrick Ewing	→ Patrick Ewing Scholarship
Juliette Kayyem & David Barron, \$1,050	→ Juliette Kayyem & David Barron Scholarship for Children of First Responders
Neil & Kathleen Rosenberg, \$1,050	→ Mary Frances Monti Scholarship
Katherine Abbott, \$1,000	→ FOCRLS College Scholarships where most needed
Gary Valaskovic & Emily Ehrenfeld, \$1,000	→ FOCRLS College Scholarships where most needed
John & Sharon Koch, \$250	→ First Scholars Awards
Erin Mahony, \$250	→ Mary Frances Monti Scholarship
Liam Crane, \$100 / Elizabeth Vernon, \$100	→ FOCRLS College Scholarships where most needed
Josephine Reddin, \$50 / Nancy Smith, \$50	→ Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions

Individuals' Gifts to CRLS via FOCRLS

Thaddeus & Juliana Davis, \$2,000	→ CRLS Visual & Performing Arts Department (for the VPA Awards)
Patricia Intrieri & Alison Muyskens, \$1,000	→ CRLS Falcon's Market (for the purchase of a washing machine)
Paula Paris, \$1,000	→ Celebrate CRLS
Jamie Ann Sabino & Richard Klibaner, \$625	→ CRLS Arts Committee

Organizations' Donations

Gifts from organizations, including businesses, corporations, foundations, and universities, in FY2018-19 totaled **\$54,647.60**.

Google graciously hosted and catered our third annual Spring Bash in Kendall Square. Spring Bash event sponsorships from companies and foundations making monetary donations totaled **\$27,000**. Please see the list of event sponsors in the [Spring Bash 2019](#) section of this Annual Report.

Organizations' Donations, Grants, and Employee Matches to our General Fund

Merck Foundation, \$3,800

Derek & Ellen van Bever Foundation via Greater Washington Community Foundation, \$2,000

Martin & Marci Karplus Charitable Fund, \$300	Pfizer, \$297.60	Committee to Elect Sal DiDomenico, \$275
Grantham Mayo Van Otterloo & Co., LLC, \$250	Bank of America, \$250	Pullman Charitable Fund, \$200

Organizations' Scholarship Sponsorships and Targeted Gifts

CambridgeSeven, \$5,250	→ CambridgeSeven STEAM Award
Cambridge Trust Company, \$1,000	→ First Scholars Award Sponsored by Cambridge Trust Company
Greater Washington Community Foundation, \$1,000	→ Student Travel Fellowships
Fresh Start Contracting Corp., \$525	→ Fresh Start Award for Carpentry

Organizations' Grants to CRLS via FOCRLS

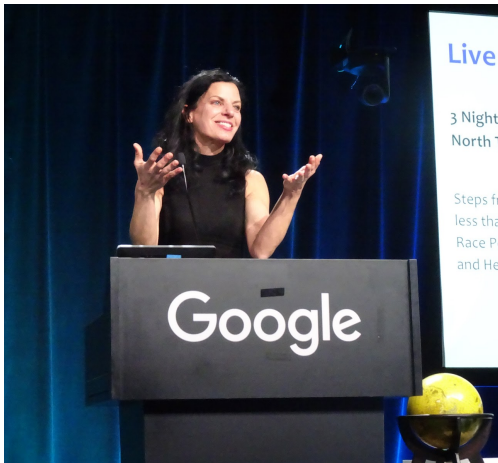
484 Phi Alpha Foundation, \$10,000	→ CRLS Media Arts Studio
City of Cambridge – Dept. of Public Health, \$2,500	→ Health & wellness initiatives

Fundraising Events & Projects

Spring Bash 2019

For the third consecutive year, Google graciously hosted and catered our Spring Bash, and again, the Bash was a smash! On Thursday, February 28, nearly 200 guests, event sponsors, presenters, musical performers, and volunteers were enjoying the evening at the Kendall Square venue, *Celebrating Our Students, Investing in Our Future*.

The Bash raised \$75,500! Although we raised a bit more last year, with having an entire month less to prepare this year, we are pleased with the success of the event. (Our first two annual Bashes were at the end of March, but, as Google had renovations scheduled, we held this Bash in February.)



Juliette Kayyem, CRLS parent and esteemed CNN/BPR/WGBH contributor, kept the event moving as our emcee and auctioneer.

Photo: Event emcee and auctioneer Juliette Kayyem appeals to the crowd

One Bash highlight was when we honored FOCRLS co-founder Elaine Schear, who had retired from her position as our first Executive Director six months earlier, and announced the creation of an annual scholarship in her name. Cambridge Mayor Marc McGovern took the stage to help us thank Elaine for her 12+ years of dedication to the CRLS community and present her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Photo: (l-r) honoree Elaine Schear with presenter Mayor Marc McGovern



Photo: (l-r) honorees Gary Johnson and Patricia Intrieri of CambridgeSeven with presenter FOCRLS Board Secretary Dawn Baxter

We also recognized architecture & design firm CambridgeSeven, whose principals have committed to \$55,000 in college scholarships, one \$5,000 scholarship each year for 11 years, to CRLS seniors through FOCRLS. CambridgeSeven – whose projects include aquariums, museums, colleges, science centers, hotels, and more nationally and internationally – established the scholarships in celebration of their 55th business anniversary.



The evening's live entertainment was provided by the harmonious singing of CRLS student a cappella groups (whose adviser is Dr. Ivan Stefanov) and the cool contemporary music of The Jazz Cats Quartet (three of whom are CRLS alumni).

State Representative and CRLS alumna Marjorie Decker returned as our featured speaker. For the third year, Rep. Decker offered to guide State House tours for donors of \$250 to FOCRLS and attracted 10 donors and their guests to Beacon Hill.

The Bash culminated with the live auction of five highly desirable offerings, including a gourmet dinner for four prepared in the winning bidder's home by CRLS alum Chef Carl Dooley and a weeklong stay in a luxurious Miami Beach condo. The combination of generous donors and enthusiastic bidders resulted in \$8,100 for FOCRLS programs. We also held an online auction, which ran in the weeks leading up to the Bash and one day after, bringing in \$4,185.

Event sponsorships (a total of \$36,500), ticket sales, donations, the live auction, the online auction, and a one-night on-site raffle all contributed to the **\$75,500 grand total**. All funds raised support College Scholarships, Student Travel Fellowships, Faculty Innovation Grants, Faculty Distinction Awards, and Unsung Heroes.

In our post-event survey, we asked attendees what they liked best about the Bash.
Here are some of their responses:

*I enjoyed being at Google, catching up with friends,
listening to the high school singers, eating the food, and
watching the program. In other words, all of it!*

Being with such a large group of wonderful people

Seeing friends from the extended community

Great food and cool environment



*Clockwise from top: Bash attendees, Bash attendees,
CRLS a cappella group Girls Next Door,
CRLS a cappella group Pitches and Does*



All FOCRLS Spring Bash 2019 photos by Zora Neale Walton

10¹⁰⁰ Thanks to the Google Staff, Especially:

Liz Schwab
Andrew Hirschfeld
Kahlil Oppenheimer
Chelsea Rennie
Jeremy Trout



Heartfelt Thanks to the Members of Our Smashing Bash Committee

Dawn Baxter
Nancy Bergeron
Janet Domenitz
Carolyn Duffy
Abby Fechtman
Esther Hanig, Bash Manager
Tracy Jean-Chronberg
Shireen Jyawook
Melissa Ludtke
Kathleen Moore
Amy Oliver
Jamie Ann Sabino
Selena Sheaves
Cecily Cline Walton



Bash Committee members (l-r) Cecily Cline Walton, Janet Domenitz, and Shireen Jyawook

Bash Committee members (l-r) Kathleen Moore and Selena Sheaves with raffle prizes: ceramic bowl created & donated by CRLS teacher Jon Baring-Gould and jewelry created & donated by students of CRLS teacher Bianca Hegre

Appreciation to Our Incredibly Kind In-Kind Auction Item and Raffle Prize Donors

Jon Baring-Gould ♦ Susan Bernstein ♦ Boston Red Sox
Broad Institute ♦ Cambridge Center for Adult Education
Celeste ♦ Central Square Florist ♦ Central Square Theater
Hillary Rodham Clinton ♦ Chef Carl Dooley
Ellen Fitzpatrick ♦ Formaggio Kitchen
Foundry on Elm ♦ Doris Kearns Goodwin
students of Bianca Hegre ♦ Henry Bear's Park
The Independent ♦ iRobot ♦ Bertil Jean-Chronberg
La Fabrica Central ♦ Jill Lepore ♦ Justine Levin-Allerhand
Little Donkey ♦ Frederik Logevall ♦ Karen McManus
Susan Miller-Havens ♦ Kathleen Moore ♦ Amy Oliver
Petsi Pies ♦ Dr. Anthony Philippakis
Daniel Serfaty & Irene Mizrahi ♦ Dan Shaughnessy
Theda Skocpol ♦ Ed Tekeian & Kate Ginnis ♦ Dr. Cornel West



Much Gratitude to Our Spring Bash 2019 Event Sponsors

Falcon Level (venue and catering)

Google

Benefactor Level (\$2,000-2,500)

DivcoWest / Cambridge Crossing

Trinity Property Management, Inc

Jill Lepore

Elaine Schear
Co-Founder, Friends of CRLS

Champion Level (\$1,000)

Alexandria Real Estate Equities

Anonymous

BioMed Realty

Boston Properties

East Cambridge Savings Bank

Harvard University

Irving House at Harvard

Maria & Greg Jobin-Leeds

Leggat McCall Properties

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Parsnip Restaurant

Supporter Level (\$500)

Tom & Nancy Akbari

Anonymous

Aptima

Broadway Marketplace

Cambridge Savings Bank

East Cambridge Business Association

Gerald & Kate Chertavian

Foundry Consortium

Tracy & Bertil Jean-Chronberg

Lesley Art + Design

Jamie Ann Sabino & Richard B. Klibaner

Daniel Serfaty & Irene Mizrahi

Catherine & David Sullivan

3MJ Realty / Ten Essex, Central Square

Spring Raffle 2019

This year we raffled off a record number of prizes with 63! The estimated total prize value was \$2,885 – including seven prizes @ \$100 or more – thanks to generous local businesses, several of whom donated more than one gift card/certificate.

We sold Spring Raffle tickets online, along with one in-person sales site, our Harvard Square MayFair table, courtesy of the Harvard Square Business Association. The raffle ticket sales total of \$4,872 (which exceeded last year's sales by \$445), included \$4,265 in tickets online through the focrls.org link featured in our blasts to our ~5,600 email contacts from April 8 to May 23. The MayFair was held on its rain date of May 18, and although that day was also inclement, our dedicated volunteers managed to raise \$607.

We drew the winners at the beginning of June using an online randomizer and mailed the prizes to their lucky recipients.

Photos: FOCRLS mascot Friendly the Falcon swooped in to thank a few of the donating businesses, including Nomad and Paper Source



Thank You to Our Spring 2019 Raffle Prize Donors

Artist & Craftsman Supply	Courthouse Seafood	Irving House at Harvard	Orleans Restaurant
Bonny's Garden Center	Flatbread Company	Marathon Sports	Somerville Theatre
Boston Burger Company	Formaggio Kitchen	McKinnon's Meat Market	Spindler Confections
Broadway Marketplace	Harvard Book Store	MEM Tea	Seven Stars
Cambridge Auto Center	Healthworks Cambridge	Mike's Food & Spirits	Veggie Galaxy
Cambridge Naturals	Henry Bear's Park	Nomad	When Pigs Fly
Cambridge Family YMCA	Hyatt Regency Cambridge	Nüssli118°	Whole Heart Provisions
Club Passim	Inman Square Hardware	Paper Source	The WRITE Coach
Cambridge Common Restaurant	Harvard Museums of Science & Culture	The Porter Square Hotel & Colette Bistro	The Williams Agency / Boston JerkFest

Appeal Letters

FOCRLS composed and mailed two appeal letters, one in autumn (holiday) and one in spring (graduation), to the wider CRLS community: parents/guardians of students in grades 9-12 (with the help of volunteers who labeled envelopes), alumni, parents/guardians of alumni, Cambridge homeowners, and other previous contributors. We also emailed the appeals to our ~5,600 email contacts through our listserv.

The autumn appeal drew \$23,630.12 in contributions, and our spring appeal brought in \$6,297, for a total of \$29,927.12.

Gift Wrapping at Henry Bear's Park

In the ninth year of our holiday tradition, Henry Bear's Park in Porter Square kindly invited us to gift wrap for donations. On Sunday, December 23, our team of volunteers wrapped shoppers' purchases at the beloved toy store for donations to FOCRLS. The event raised \$580, which Henry Bear's Park generously matched in the form of gift certificates that became ten Spring Raffle prizes plus one item in the Spring Bash online auction. Volunteers' presence in the store was also an opportunity to introduce our organization to more families.



Scholarship Night 2019: Alexander (center) lit up the stage with his enthusiasm when accepting his Colonel & Mrs. Henry Bayard McCoy Memorial Scholarship from FOCRLS Treasurer & Scholarship Chair Neil Rosenberg (left) and FOCRLS Board Secretary Dawn Baxter (right). Alexander, who now studies business at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, is pursuing a career as an entrepreneur.

Financial Summary

Description	FY2019	FY2018
Contributions and Grants Received	\$137,912	\$199,442
Raffle Ticket Sales	\$5,122	\$4,367
Total Funds Raised	\$143,034	\$203,809
Investment Income Accrued	\$2,777	\$1,541
Total Revenue	\$145,811	\$205,350
Program Funds Awarded and Sponsorships Fulfilled	\$89,104	\$91,193
Salaries and Employee Benefits	\$51,018	\$63,467
Other Operating Expenses	\$27,869	\$30,211
Total Expenses	\$167,991	\$184,871
Revenue Less Expenses	(\$22,180)	\$20,479
Total Assets, including previous assets	\$251,785	\$268,045
Reserved Scholarship Endowments	\$43,952	\$45,734
Net Assets	\$207,833	\$222,311

Volunteer and Colleague Appreciation

Thank You to All of the Many Wonderful
CRLS Students, Parents, Alumni, Faculty, Staff, and Community Members
Who Contributed Their Time, Talents, Knowledge, and Kindness — Including the Following

Yvonne Appiah	Gary Johnson	Yemisi Oluwole
Georges Atallah	Joanne Johnson	Paula Paris
Adel Baimatova	Shireen Jyawook	Paul Parravano
Patrick Barrett	Juliette Kayyem	Pitches and Does
Dawn Baxter	Sam Klibaner	RSTA Culinary Arts Dept.
Nancy Bergeron	Richard Klibaner	Neil Rosenberg
Charlie Bougas	Frank Kramer	Jamie Ann Sabino
Ted Darling	Cynthia Laroche	Halimo Salat
State Rep. Marjorie Decker	Paul Lee	Elaine Schear
Janet Domenitz	Esther Leidolf	Daniel Serfaty
Carolyn Duffy	Jacob Leidolf	Nadia Shalaby
Corinne Espinoza	Win Lenihan	Selena Sheaves
Abby Fechtman	Dr. David Link	Katherine Shozawa
Girls Next Door	Tom Lucey	Martha Sieniewicz
Shelley Gross	Melissa Ludtke	Principal Damon Smith
Esther Hanig	José Mateo	Dr. Ivan Stefanov
Victoria Harris	Renee McLeod	Sandy Stone
Marguerite Hicks-Gyewu	Rev. Irene Monroe	Mary Tavares Sutula
Ezra Howe	Kathleen Moore	Assistant Principal Bobby Tynes
Patti Intrieri	Janis Navikas	David Vogel
Tracy Jean-Chronberg	Boris Nitkin	Cecily Cline Walton
Denise Jillson	Amy Oliver	Zora Neale Walton
		Dina Zelleke



Become a Friend of CRLS

- **Learn more!** Go to **FOCRLS.org** to see more about our events, programs, and awardees. Follow us on social media: Twitter (@FOCRLS), Instagram (friends_of_crls), and Facebook (@FriendsofCRLS). If you have questions or would like to be added to our email list, please contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290**.
- **Visit in person!** If you're at CRLS, feel free to drop by our office, Room 2136 on the 2nd floor in the main (Rindge) building or contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290** to plan a visit.
- **Donate!** Your financial support will make a lasting difference. We're a 501(c)3 nonprofit, so your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Our tax exempt ID# is 205993874.
 - ❖ Donate by credit card at **FOCRLS.org** – one time or recurring
 - ❖ Donate by check payable to *FOCRLS* and mail with your contact information to:
FOCRLS, P.O. Box 391541, Cambridge MA 02139
- **Sponsor!** Become a Spring Bash event sponsor, establish a scholarship, fund a grant, etc. Please contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290** for information.
- **Host!** Host a House Party in your home or help with one in someone else's home and invite all of your friends, family members, colleagues, and neighbors who'd be interested in FOCRLS. Please contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290** to get started.
- **Volunteer!** Any amount of time you can give, we can put to good use. Student volunteers can receive community service credit; make sure we sign the form you need. Please contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290** to begin.
 - ★ Board of Directors – collaborate in decision making, lead a committee, represent FOCRLS in the community
 - ★ Advisory Council – provide expertise, represent FOCRLS in the community
 - ★ Spring Bash Committee – plan, organize, invite, promote, obtain auction items, help run the event
 - ★ Spring Raffle – table to sell tickets and/or obtain gift cards as prizes and/or organize and/or promote
 - ★ Wrap Gifts at Henry Bear's Park in Porter Square – wrap gifts for donations and represent FOCRLS
 - ★ Media – update our website and/or post on our social media and/or take photos and/or make videos
 - ★ Publicity and Communications – draft appeal letters and/or write articles and/or create displays
 - ★ Representing – distribute brochures/answer questions and/or mingle/guide at events
 - ★ Donor Outreach – contact previous donors, communicate with potential donors
 - ★ Business Outreach – contact businesses for the "100 by 100" and other community engagement
 - ★ Volunteer Outreach – contact volunteers and potential volunteers for tasks and events
 - ★ Alumni Outreach – contact alumni for involvement and updates
- **Partner with us!** If you're a business leader and would like to join the "100 by 100," offer a fundraiser, donate a raffle prize, contribute a Bash auction item, or otherwise be involved with FOCRLS, please contact us at **info@FOCRLS.org** or **857-235-9290** so we can explore ways you can join our network of community supporters.

Have another idea for involvement? Please contact us at info@FOCRLS.org or 857-235-9290.



FRIENDS OF CAMBRIDGE RINDGE & LATIN SCHOOL

**Friends of CRLS
P.O. Box 391541
Cambridge MA 02139**

857-235-9290

info@FOCRLS.org

FOCRLS.org

CRLS Room 2136

