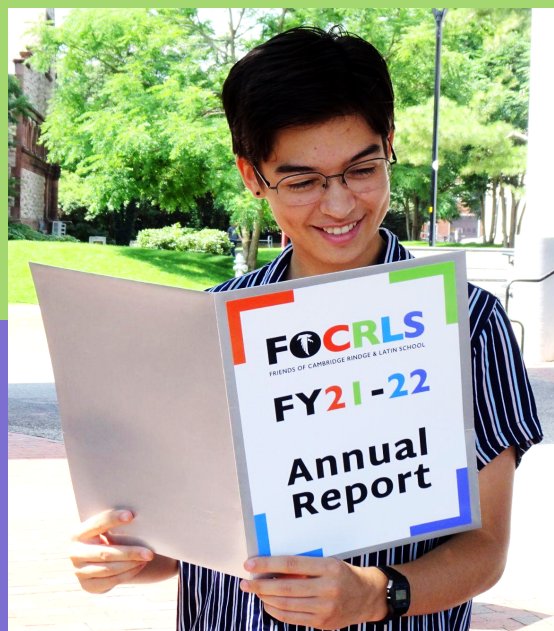


# FOCRLS

FRIENDS OF CAMBRIDGE RINDGE & LATIN SCHOOL



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Scholarship awardees pictured on cover, clockwise from top right: Dachenie, Yuni, Aaliya, Sharon, and Kaileb

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## 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.

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# Executive Summary

## FOCRLS's accomplishments during Fiscal Year 2021-22 (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022)

We raised \$226,497 in funds to support opportunities for CRLS students, graduates, and faculty:

- \$225,447 in donations, bringing our monetary donation grand total (FY06-07 through FY21-22) to \$1,783,292
- \$1,050 in investment income

**College Scholarships** — We awarded scholarships totalling \$81,750 to deserving, determined students with educational goals beyond high school and career aspirations.

**Faculty Innovation Grants** — We awarded \$9,733 in the form of 10 grants to teachers, advisors, administrators, and other staff members who submitted creative ideas for enhancing curriculum and clubs.

**Unsung Heroes Awards** — We sponsored recognitions to 32 high schoolers who have emerging leadership qualities identified by faculty and staff.

**Faculty Distinction Awards** — We produced framed certificates, which Principal Smith presented at commencement to four teachers nominated for their positive influence by the graduating class.

**Fiscal Sponsorships** — We dispersed \$15,406 to Falcon's Market for the purchase of Market Basket gift cards for CRLS families experiencing food insecurity. We assisted in establishing the Ginny Berkowitz Award for Media Arts & Social Justice, processed \$5,000 for the John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards, and more.



"My academic interests, computer science and social justice, may appear disconnected. However, through interdisciplinary opportunities, I plan to map the intersections of the two fields through my research. My theory is that social change comes from political action, and coding can influence political action, such as expanding voting access. Through studying and researching artificial intelligence in college and beyond, my mission is to create algorithms that have social values embedded within them to affect the real world."

**Kaliab, CRLS Class of '22, Swarthmore College Class of '26, and FOCRLS awardee of a Scholarship for Equity & Social Justice, the "100 by 100" STEAM Scholarship for Technology, and the Elizabeth Vernon Scholarship for Volunteerism & Community Service**

# Programs

## College Scholarships

**Friends of CRLS presented a total of \$81,750 in College Scholarships during FY 2021-2022.** This sum is an increase of \$10,000 (14%) over last year's total.

We presented 54 scholarships totaling \$77,750 at CRLS Scholarship Night on Thursday, May 5. With one exception, all new awardees are members of the Class of 2022.

Three families established scholarships this past year, adding four new scholarships to our annual roster:

- Cheri Kamen Memorial Scholarship in the Humanities
- N Rahman Scholarship
- Scholarships for Equity & Social Justice (2)

Individual award amounts were increased for 12 of our long-standing scholarships:

- Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards (3)
- Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards Sponsored by Cambridge Trust Company (1)\*
- CRLS Core Values Scholarships (4)
- Dr. David A. Link Scholarships for the Health Professions (2)
- Earl M. Gardner Scholarships (2)

\*Cambridge Trust Company increased the amount of their scholarship and then doubled their sponsorship, adding a second scholarship.

In addition to the scholarships we oversee within our program, we presented an AVID Scholarship and a one-time Scholarship to Honor Drs. Finn and Espinosa.

We also issued \$4,000 in funds to three alumni awardees: two installments of "It Takes a Village" Multi-Year Scholarships and a pair of targeted donations as supplemental scholarships to the 2020 awardee of the CambridgeSeven STEAM Scholarship.

*Awardees meet academic, extracurricular, financial, and college enrollment requirements and demonstrate scholarship-specific criteria through applications, essays, and transcripts.*

*All scholarships are for graduating seniors, with the exception of the Calvin Hicks Memorial Award for the Study of Music, which can go to a student in any grade, 9-12.*

Friendly the Falcon, FOCRLS mascot



# Tremendous Thanks to Our Sponsors, Donors, and Awardees!

## Our Class of 2022 College Scholarships, Awardees, Sponsors

**"100 by 100" Cambridge Business Community STEAM Scholarships** (five, sponsored by members of the Cambridge business community and FOCRLS) – to students committed to the study of the STEAM fields

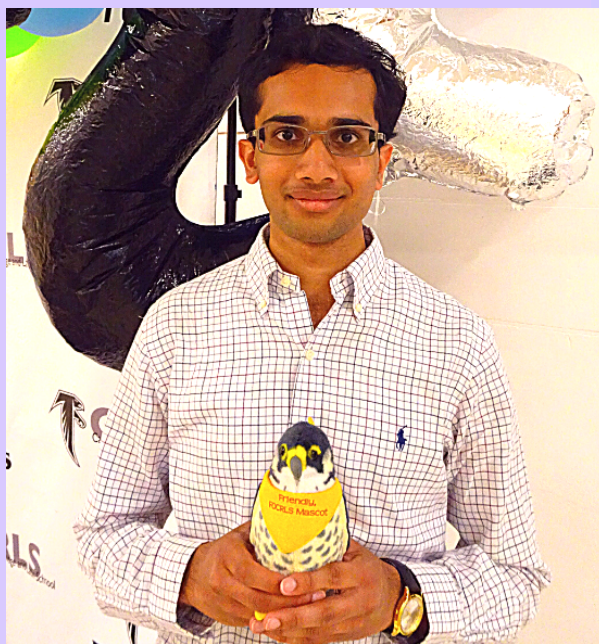
Science awarded to: Md Sakib

Technology awarded to: Kaliab Tale

Engineering awarded to: Jake Laskaris

Arts awarded to: Eva Kaufman

Mathematics awarded to: Pratyush Venkatakrisnan



"Mathematics has captivated me from a young age and continues to do so to this day, so I am especially grateful to be recognized in this area of study. I am enthusiastic about studying computer science and mathematics in college. I hope to eventually pursue a PhD in one of these fields and go into academic research or software development. Whether I end up going into academia or industry, I would like to use CS and math to improve the society at large."

**Pratyush, CRLS Class of '22,  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology Class of '26,  
and FOCRLS awardee of the  
"100 by 100" STEAM Scholarship for Mathematics**



"I am thinking about going into the healthcare field. I enjoy helping others and would really like to be able to help lots of people, even if it's not the traditional path you would think of when it comes to healthcare. While I am undecided about my major right now, I hope to find clarity about it while I'm in college. I hope to discover what I feel most passionate about and study that. "

**Faria, CRLS Class of '22,  
Mount Holyoke College Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of the N Rahman Scholarship**

Best Friends of CRLS! Sharon and Faria are best friends and college roommates at Mount Holyoke.  
(Separate FOCRLS scholarship application reviewers selected them independently.)



"I'm still unsure of my future as it pertains to my plans after college, but I hope to have a career where I feel challenged and invigorated. I'm not sure whether that'll be in art curatorship, environmental science, or biochemistry, but when I look back on my life in thirty years, I want to say that I've lived my life to the fullest doing what I love most."

**Sharon, CRLS Class of '22,  
Mount Holyoke College Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of the  
Aurora M. (Ciccariello) Leydon  
Memorial Scholarship**

**N Rahman Scholarship — New for 2022!** — (one, sponsored by Naveed Rahman & Caroline Butler-Rahman via the Butler-Rahman Family Fund) to a graduating senior who descends from South Asia (Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, India, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nepal) with a special preference given to students of Bangladeshi origin.  
Awarded to: Faria Amin

**Aurora M. (Ciccariello) Leydon Memorial Scholarship** (one, sponsored by John "Jack" Leydon & family) – to a student who is a resident of East Cambridge. Awarded to: Sharon Bosco



*Photo courtesy of Emie at RIT*

"As an industrial engineering major at an institution with research and global engagement opportunities, I want to see different places, talk to different people, and see concepts from all different types of perspectives. In the long run, I would love to be able to have an impact on not just those around me, but people I will never see. Being a young, black Haitian American woman in STEM, I have to do all that I possibly can to succeed, even through all of the obstacles and challenges that I will have to face."

**Emie, CRLS Class of '22,  
Rochester Institute of Technology Class of '26,  
and FOCRLS awardee of the  
CambridgeSeven STEAM Scholarship**

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

**Cheri Kamen Memorial Scholarship in the Humanities** (one, sponsored by Ramie Targoff & Stephen Greenblatt) — **New in 2022!** — Awarded to a female graduating senior who is interested in studying history, English, or another humanities field at a college level. Awarded to: Mikaëla Lavandero



*Photo courtesy of Mikaëla at Princeton*

"My passion is becoming a lawyer. I want to stand by people and help them fight for their freedom, innocence, or citizenship. Above all, I know I must fight for what I believe in. I am also hopeful that I will be able to integrate many other subjects in my post-secondary education. This is what I love about humanities. I can study criminal justice, law, social science, and history while still having the opportunity to learn about culture, language, and linguistics."

**Mikaëla, CRLS Class of '22,  
Princeton University Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of the Cheri Kamen Memorial  
Scholarship in the Humanities**





"My education is and will continue to be my priority as I study to become a pediatric surgeon in the future. I have learned that setting personal goals for myself that push me to show my dedication and determination have reflected positively in my academics. By seizing resources and opportunities, I am going to be the best I can be without having to stress about my socioeconomic status. I've learned that I will only be the best version of myself if I put my everything into something I truly love."

**Abyan, CRLS Class of '22,  
Clark University Class of '26, and FOCRLS  
awardee of a CRLS Core Values Scholarship**

**CRLS Core Values Scholarships** (four, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students who exemplify *Opportunity, Diversity, Respect*. Awarded to: Abyan Shire, Aya Boulouah, Keefer Glenshaw, and Ymari Blackmon



"I am most free when contributing to the community around me in performance and existence within the creative process. Artistic freedom creates movement, and movement keeps the world evolving. I'm at one with myself and the world when in a position to create and collaborate. My goal is to surround myself with people who find joy in art and art in joy, just like I do. I intend to take my music, and my own artistic life, to its full extent."

**Keefer, CRLS Class of '22,  
Berklee College of Music Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of a CRLS Core Values  
Scholarship**



"In my future career, I will pursue my interest in education policy and reform. By working closely with students and hearing what they need in the classroom and beyond, I can actively work to close achievement gaps within the community. I'll ensure that students are obtaining equal access to academic opportunities. I hope to be part of the momentum and movement to inspire students to feel like they have agency and a voice in their own education."

**Isabella, CRLS Class of '22,  
Wesleyan University Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of the Dr. Christopher Saheed  
Future Educators Scholarship**

**Dr. Christopher Saheed Future Educators Scholarship** (one, sponsored by family, friends, and colleagues of Dr. Saheed) – to a student pursuing a career in education. Awarded to: Isabella Lozada

**AVID Award** (one, sponsored by Gail Stein) – to a student who is a member of the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program selected by AVID faculty. Awarded to: Laila Nunes

**Calvin Hicks Award Memorial for the Study of Music** (one, sponsored by family, friends, and colleagues of Calvin Hicks) – to a student studying any instrument, voice, or musical theory. Awarded to: Demetrios Kotsopoulos (Class of '25)

**Cambridge Day Sue Reinert Scholarship for Journalism** (one, sponsored by Cambridge Day / Marc Levy / Cambridge Media Systems) – to a student who has participated in journalism within the past year. Awarded to: Esther Cull-Kahn

**Charlene Holmes Memorial Awards** (four, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students nominated by guidance counselors, teachers, and other staff members for their generosity, caring, and professional aspirations. Awarded to: Abdiwahab Muhumed, Jahime Son, Lwam Mahari, and Sarah Berhanu

**Colonel & Mrs. Henry Bayard McCoy Memorial Scholarships** (four, sponsored by New York Community Trust through the Bayard McCoy Memorial Fund) – to male students excelling in U.S. History and performing community service. Awarded to: Bennett Gillig, Matthias Lamb, Nurial Vera-Degraff, and Thomas Anthony Whelan

**Earl M. Gardner Scholarships** (two, sponsored by the Gardner family) – to students who have demonstrated dedication to community service. Awarded to: Brandy Altidor and Lisa Jones

**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: Kaliab Tale

**Fresh Start Contracting Corporation Award for Carpentry** (Sponsored by Ben O'Sullivan-Pierce and Nick Stamos, co-founders of Fresh Start Contracting Corp. and CRLS alumni) – to a student who has excelled in the Rindge School of Technical Arts carpentry program for two years. Awarded to: Juan David Calixto Tenorio



"I would like to work as a researcher in a lab, most likely in psychology, neuroscience, or biology, producing research that will benefit underrepresented people. There aren't enough people from diverse backgrounds and experiences in science, so there is underrepresentation in information and discoveries. I want to contribute underrepresented perspectives and queries to improve the world of science to the highest extent I can."

**Yuni, CRLS Class of '22, UMass Amherst Class of '26, and FOCRLS awardee of an Elaine Schear "Voice of the First Generation" Creative Writing Scholarship and the Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship**

**Elaine Schear "Voice of the First Generation" Creative Writing Scholarship** (two, sponsored by Elaine Schear and 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: Tiaja Williams and Yuni Gerzon

**"It Takes a Village" Multi-Year Scholarship** (one, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to a student planning to attend a Massachusetts public university or community college. Awarded to: Dachenie Ganthier



"One of my biggest and longest goals in life is to become a general surgeon. This scholarship will give me the financial freedom to excel in my studies while working on my end goal to increase the number of black physicians in this country and in the world. With a strong mindset and being willing to work hard and endure the journey, I will achieve my dream."

**Dachenie, CRLS Class of '22, UMass Amherst Class of '26, and FOCRLS awardee of the "It Takes a Village" Multi-Year Scholarship**



"Neuroscience is my intended major. My goal is to be a neurosurgeon performing technically hard operations on complicated anatomy. I am fascinated by medicine and have a strong desire to help people overcome debilitating conditions and life-threatening neurological diseases. Healthcare professionals are desperately needed, and they use their education and expertise to improve the lives of others."

**Aarmin, CRLS Class of '22,  
Emmanuel College Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of a  
Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions**

**Dr. David A. Link Scholarships for the Health Professions** (two, sponsored by family, friends, colleagues, and patients of Dr. Link) – to students pursuing careers in health care. Awarded to: Aarmin Shaikh and Michael Herrick



"My goal is to work in medicine helping bridge the gaps in quality of care. Ultimately, I want to play an active role in organizations like Doctors Without Borders and the Red Cross, to help treat patients in underfunded and underdeveloped communities. I particularly want to pursue this work in Cambodia, because of my family history. Helping those in need and exploring my heritage – I can't think of anything else I'd rather do."

**Michael, CRLS Class of '22,  
UMass Amherst Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of a  
Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions**

**Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards** (three, sponsored by FOCRLS) – to students who are the first in their immediate families to attend a 4-year college. Awarded to: Aaliya Shaikh, Emie Gerard, Lwam Mahari

**Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards Sponsored by Cambridge Trust Company** (two) – to students who are the first in their immediate families to attend a 4-year college. Awarded to: Humaira Africawala, Marwa Dissa

**John D. Zagarella, Sr. Memorial Scholarships** (two, sponsored by Zagarella family members, friends, and colleagues) – to students who have played sports, have overcome challenges, and will enroll in college or trade school. Awarded to: Alem Abraham and Shanira Begum

**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: Anna Wendelin

**Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship** (one, sponsored by Drs. Mary Tavares Sutula & Francis Sutula) – to a first generation college-bound student with immigrant parents. Awarded to: Yuni Gerzon

**Mary Frances Monti Memorial Scholarship** (one, sponsored by Neil Rosenberg, CHLS '76 & Kathleen Rosenberg) – to a student showing academic and personal growth. Awarded to: Fanuel Ayele



"I've learned to manage my money in responsible ways, including budgeting and saving. I can apply these skills not only to my own life, but also to help others. I hope to become a financial advisor so that I can help people manage their money, and I hope to help black communities, in particular. I'm most passionate about providing financial advice to communities that struggle with broader societal challenges such as poverty and racism."

**Fanuel, CRLS Class of '22, UMass Boston Class of '26, and FOCRLS awardee of the Mary Frances Monti Memorial Scholarship**

**Patrick Ewing Scholarship** (one, sponsored by Patrick Ewing, CRLS '81) – to a student of African or West Indian descent. Awarded to: Sherley Maurice

**Rose & Victor Rifkin Family Scholarship** (one, made possible by family, friends, descendants of Rose & Victor Rifkin) – to students who are first-generation U.S. citizens pursuing the American Dream. Awarded to: Aaliya Shaikh

**Scholarship to Honor Drs. Finn and Espinosa** (one, sponsored by Anonymous) – to a member of Learning Community 'C' selected by Dean of Students Susie Espinosa and Guidance Counselor George Finn. Awarded to: Horus Williams

**Scholarships for Equity & Social Justice — New for 2022!** — (two scholarships, one to a female student and one to a male student, sponsored by Eileen Taxe Levine & Irving Lee Levine) – to students who demonstrate dedication, commitment, and activism towards equity and social justice at CRLS and/or in the greater Cambridge community. Awarded to: Lisa Jones and Kaliab Tale



*Photo courtesy of Emma at Bowdoin*

"From the medical field to environmental science, I find myself drawn to many ways to help others. I believe that I need a range of knowledge and that a single discipline isn't enough to solve most complex problems. For example, while scientists are working to solve the climate crisis, we need art and language to connect us and communicate. College will provide me with the opportunity to build on my current knowledge and find the perfect path."

**Emma, CRLS Class of '22,  
Bowdoin College Class of '26 and  
FOCRLS awardee of a  
Richard S. Gilreath Memorial Scholarship for the  
CRLS Track & Cross Country Community**

**Richard S. Gilreath Memorial Scholarships for the CRLS Track & Cross Country Community** (two scholarships, one to a female student and one to a male student, sponsored by Richard G. Gilreath, CRLS '94) – to students who ran indoor/outdoor track or cross country senior year. Awarded to: Emma Randall-Jarrard and Matthias Lamb

**Tutoring Plus Scholarship** (one, sponsored by Tutoring Plus) – to a student who has attended Tutoring Plus and who intends to enroll in any type of higher education program in the summer or fall. Awarded to: Jeanny Fede



*Photo courtesy of Jeanny at Middlebury*

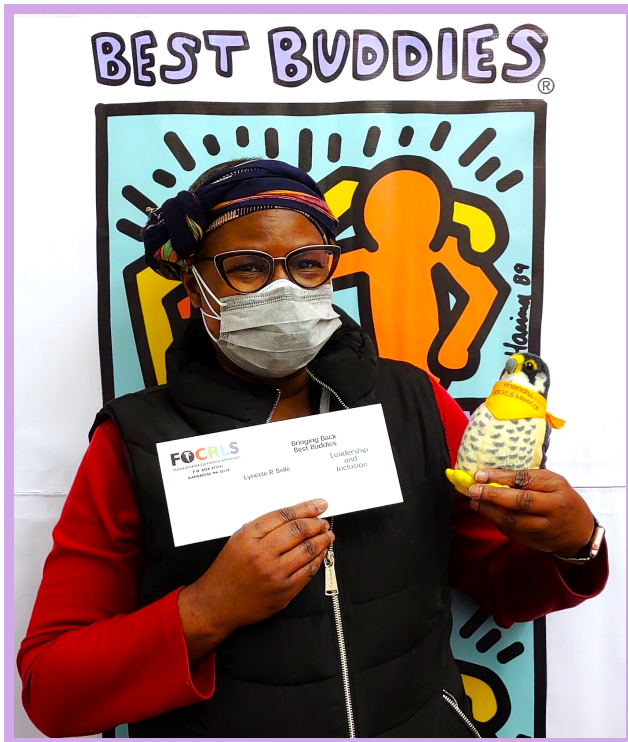
"During junior and senior years at CRLS, I worked with Cambridge Public Schools' Equity Board to find diverse ways to uplift voices of color and make sure students' needs are met. I worked on how teachers can engage with students and use cultural awareness to recognize students as individuals. The opportunity to facilitate my workshop on AP tracking and present my experience of being a person of color in an AP class strengthened my interest around the topic of inequity in the classroom."

**Jeanny, CRLS Class of '22,  
Middlebury College Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of the Tutoring Plus Scholarship**

## Faculty Innovation Grants

After pausing Faculty Innovation Grants during remote learning, we resumed in the '21-'22 school year. FOCRLS invited faculty members to submit proposals describing their ideas to enhance their classes, clubs, and programs beyond what Cambridge Public Schools could fund. We were happy to receive proposals for a variety of new projects and experiences to develop skills, services, inclusion, advocacy, culture, creativity, community, and collaboration.

We awarded \$9,733 in the form of 10 grants to 15 teachers, club advisors, and other CRLS staff members, several of whom were collaborating with colleagues to add dimension and reach more students:



**Lynette R. Belle** (pictured left), Best Buddies Club Advisor — **"Bringing Back Best Buddies"** to re-establish the chapter, which will provide leadership, networking, and support opportunities for students with and without disabilities.

Katy Greene and Lily Rayman-Read, OSS Co-teachers, History — **"Culture Builds a Nation: How Food and Music Impact History' Course Hands-on Experience"** to give students studying the continents opportunities to sample flavors from around the world.

Sam Matson, HSEP Math Teacher — **"HSEP Joy Committee"** to create meaningful experiences among students, including those opting to have a hybrid remote / in-person school year, and build better relationships with teachers and other members of the community.

**Kristin Knowlton** (pictured right; photo courtesy of Kristin Knowlton), Postgraduate Transition Program Teacher (OSS) — **"Daily Living: Budgets, Baking & The Basket, Oh My!"** to purchase Market Basket gift cards for ten classes to learn independent living skills through experiences of meal planning and prep, account budgeting and balancing, and grocery shopping.

Nicholas Yeh, Model United Nations Club Advisor — **"Model United Nations Conference Travel"** toward travel and lodging for MUN members to participate in the conference in New York City, where they will practice research, public speaking, debate, negotiation, problem-solving, and more. (Additionally, FOCRLS awarded a Student Travel Fellowship to help a MUN club member cover their trip costs.)





**Xiaoshu Jing (pictured above center)**, Pan-Asian Club Advisor and Chinese Teacher; **Dongyeon Helen Shin (pictured above left)**, SEI Mathematics Teacher; Jenny Chung, Training Specialist with the Office of Equity, Inclusion & Belonging; Adrienne Stang, JK-12 History Curriculum Coordinator — **“Asian Visibility Initiative”** to create a modern Asian history elective and host a panel discussion on visibility and activism featuring guest speakers from Harvard Asian Pacific American Law Students Association and the Mayor of Cambridge.

**Laura Borrelli (pictured right)**, Advisor of CRLS Bicycle Advocacy Club and Biology/Zoology Teacher — **“Free CRLS Bike Shop”** to create a recurring pop-up shop where students provide free bike repairs for other students and fix up old bikes to make them available to students who need them.

Jose Luis Martinez, Computer Science Vocational Program Teacher, RSTA — **“Radio Remote Control Vehicles Challenge”** to attract students new to STEAM fields by offering the opportunity to build remote control racecars and use them to compete with each other.

Kristin Newton and Tal SebellShavit, Physics Teachers — **“Science Breakout Games”** to provide fun, content-rich activities that encourage collaboration to solve engaging problems.

Paige Graves, Instructional Technology Specialist — **“Portable Audio Recording Booths”** to bring the experience of high quality podcasting and recording to any educational space in CRLS.





## Unsung Heroes

FOCRLS sponsors the Unsung Heroes Awards program, which celebrates students, nominated by teachers and staff members, as emerging leaders who play a positive role in the CRLS community. Honorees, who receive certificates and Falcon logo watches, are selected for excellence or notable improvement in one or more of the following categories: Academics, Athletics, Attendance, Character, Citizenship, Community Service, Contribution to a Positive School Climate, Leadership, Stewardship, and Studentship. On February 18, a ceremony was held to recognize 32 students (two per grade, per Learning Community).

### School Year 2021-22 Unsung Heroes

LC C	Jade Buckwalter Justice Brooks	Jayden Dottin Leila Mohammed	Edwin Smikack Mark Katz	Oliver Ransom Genesis Mariano-Gonzalez
LC R	Emie Gerard Jennat Jounadi	Ezana Zemene Virgil Wintner	Tony Tabor Sabine Armstrong	Natasha Butler-Rahman Leiosha O'Connor-Vital
LC L	Caroline Pierre Ksenia Clark	Raheem Uddin Thu Vu	Henry Rogers Youssef Adel	Jasmin Weston-Daniels Selina Guerra-Portillo
LC S	Humaira Africawala Jack Fede	Josiah McNeil Hermone Siyum	Kylee Bernard Mira Pital	Athena Aloupis Luis Vasques

Dual FOCRLS scholarship awardee Emie also received a 2022 Unsung Heroes Award, about which she said,



“To me, being an Unsung Hero is such an amazing reward to receive because you don't even know you're in the running for it. Realizing that all the faculty members that I grew close with over my four years at CRLS viewed me as such a strong, wonderful student made me feel better about my own efforts throughout my high school career. This achievement is a reminder to me that I have, in fact, been taking the right steps, doing the right things, and saying the right words. Although I have closed the high school chapter of my life, I will always remember that some of my favorite people view me as an Unsung Hero.”

*Photo courtesy of Emie at Rochester Institute of Technology, where she's now studying industrial engineering*

Mr. William McDonald, Emie's teacher at CRLS for AP Environmental Science, wrote: “Emie has one of the best work ethics I have ever witnessed in a student. She came to class to work and she worked one hundred percent every day. She would help explain concepts that other students may not understand. She had a deep enough comprehension to help others understand.”

## Faculty Distinction Awards



**2022 Cambridge Rindge & Latin School (CRLS) Faculty Distinction Awardees (left to right):  
Ms. Jessica Hatlen, Mr. Evan Milstein-Greengart, and Dr. Benji Cohen.  
The fourth awardee, Mr. Ramazan Nigdelioglu, was not available for the photograph.**

For the 16th consecutive year FOCRLS sponsored the Faculty Distinction Awards. The 2022 recipients bring the total since 2007 to 64 awardees. Members of the Class of 2022 nominated the teachers for having notably positive influences over their high school years, and Principal Damon Smith presented the awards at the graduation ceremony on June 9.

Ms. Jessica Hatlen has been a Special Educator at CRLS for five years and has been an educator for 16 years. She holds a bachelor's degree from Boston University (2002) and a master's degree from Wagner College (2005). One student described Ms. Hatlen as a "really compassionate teacher who makes learning interesting."

Mr. Evan Milstein-Greengart has taught English Language Arts at CRLS for five years and has been a teacher for seven. He has bachelors' degrees in English and Psychology, a master's degree in Secondary Education, and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Educational Leadership. One student described Mr. M-G as "an angel disguised as an English teacher."

Dr. Benji Cohen graduated from CRLS in 2007 and returned in 2018 to teach History. In the interim, he received degrees from Tufts University (2011) and the University of Virginia (2017). One student described Dr. Cohen as "the most wonderful teacher, with an amazing, sharp sense of humor and a very welcoming classroom."

Mr. Ramazan Nigdelioglu has taught Freshman Physics and AP Physics at CRLS since 2008. He is also the faculty advisor to the Muslim Cultural Club. He holds a bachelor's degree in Physics and a master's degree in School Leadership. A Turkish native, he came to Boston in 2002 as a Fulbright Exchange Teacher. Students describe Mr. N as an educator whose "love of the subject and teaching show" in the way he "makes physics really fun to learn."

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## Donations and Gifts

### Summary of Giving

In FY21-22, FOCRLS received **\$225,447** in donations from hundreds of generous contributors in, around, and associated with Cambridge who want to brighten the future for our students, grads, and whole community:

- **\$171,027** from individuals and families
- **\$54,420** from organizations, including businesses, corporations, foundations, and the City of Cambridge



"Art and music help me see and express the beauty in the world around me. I want to study computer science to merge my passions of coding and art. Designing video games has given me the perfect outlet to continue expanding my interest and talent in coding by combining it with my favored creative outlets of composing and graphic design. With my skills, artistry, and determination, I can create anything and I plan to do so."

**EVA, CRLS Class of '22,  
Leeds Beckett University Class of '26,  
and FOCRLS awardee of the  
"100 by 100" STEAM Scholarship for the Arts**

## Individuals and Families

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Rachel Harrington

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Sabrina Birner

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Suzanne Wintner

Victoria Harris & William Blanchard

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# Individuals' and Families' Scholarship Sponsorships, Targeted Gifts, and Gifts to CRLS through FOCRLS

## Scholarships for Equity & Social Justice

**\$25,000 (endowment for five years)** Eileen Taxe Levine & Irving L. Levine



Our scholarship was established to recognize the commitment and dedication of CRLS students who have been working towards equity and social justice in the Cambridge community. We want to honor the power of their voices, courageous actions, and hopefulness. We support and thank them as they enter this next chapter of their lives.

— Eileen Taxe Levine & Irving L. Levine,  
founders and sponsors of the Scholarships for Equity & Social Justice



*Photo courtesy of Lisa at XULA, where she is double majoring in criminal psychology and education with the long-term goal to teach criminology rehabilitation justice*

“Growing up, I always knew that I wanted to go to a Historically Black College or University (HBCU) and become a greater black representative. With moving out of state and knowing that HBCUs don’t get a lot of money for their students, my out of pocket cost would put me in distress. These scholarships will help so much with my college costs and becoming a better leader. Thank you so much for this opportunity.

**Lisa, CRLS Class of ‘22,  
Xavier University of Louisiana Class of ‘26,  
and FOCRLS awardee of  
an Earl M. Gardner Scholarship  
and a Scholarship for Equity & Social Justice**



"I'm planning on studying mechanical engineering. It provides the prospect of bringing practical designs to life. While classroom learning is essential for understanding the fundamentals, its usefulness is diminished if I don't have the opportunity to apply it. I'm looking forward to the extensive co-op program integrated into the Northeastern University curriculum, which will give me practical skills that are directly applicable in the workplace."

**Jake, CRLS Class of '22,  
Northeastern University Class of '26,  
and FOCRLS awardee of the  
"100 by 100" STEAM Scholarship for Engineering**

**Rose & Victor Rifkin Family Scholarship**

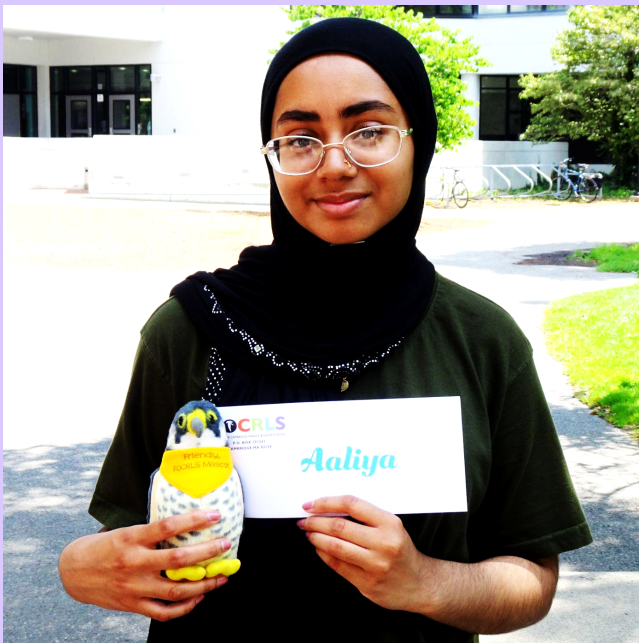
**\$3,000+**

Donna Spiegelman

**Up to \$249**

Rhoda Spiegelman, Deborah Elkin, Ilona Horwitz,  
Linda George, Estelle Silbert, Patricia Stanley

**Undisclosed Amount:** Eva Mayer



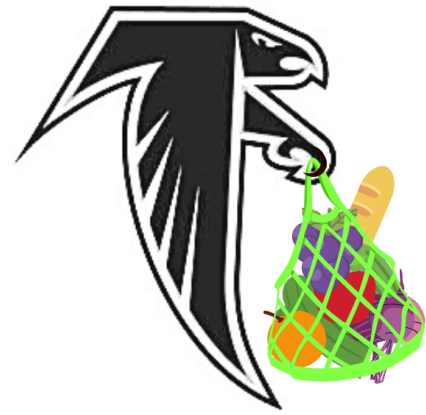
"At university, I want to take health science and math courses as well as minor in history. A goal I have for myself is to travel as much of the world I can. I want to sightsee and learn about different cultures. This is related to my goal of becoming a travel nurse because, by being a travel nurse, I'm constantly going to be placed in a new environment that will allow me to learn as I go."

**Aaliya, CRLS Class of '22,  
UMass Boston Class of '26, and  
FOCRLS awardee of a  
Friends of CRLS First Scholars Award and the  
Rose & Victor Rifkin Family Scholarship**



**CRLS's Falcon's Market**

<b>\$10,000</b>	Missy & Marsh Carter	
<b>\$250+</b>	Rachael Solem	
<b>Up to \$249</b>	Stephanie O'Neil	William Huggins



**Friends of CRLS College Scholarship Fund Where Most Needed**

<b>\$1,000 +</b>	John & Sharon Koch	
<b>\$250 — \$499</b>	Edward L. Dudley III & Sarah Dudley	Anonymous
<b>Up to \$249</b>	Eleanor Duckworth	

**Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions**

<b>\$1,000+</b>	Elizabeth Ross	
<b>\$250 — \$499</b>		
	Craig & Karen Halvorson	Margaret Coleman
	Judy Katz	Mark & Cynthia Soloway
		Sonak Pastakia & Tina Tran
		Susan & Michael Epstein

**Up to \$249**

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**Undisclosed Amount:** Lisa Dobberteen

### Calvin Hicks Memorial Award for the Study of Music

\$500+	Christine Chiros
\$250	Frank & Gladys Perkins

#### Up to \$249

Anonymous, Betty Hillmon, Beth Sullivan & Jim Perrine, Charlene & Frank Foss, Danielle Potokar, George Daly, Michelle Farnum, Peter Westre, Jennifer Rollins, Heather Nelson & Lawrence Kolodney, Indy Rutks, Jeanette Harris, Kirk & Barb Alford, Laura Barnard, Lisa Hoffman-Konn, Mark Churchill, Max Lyncee, Michelle & Sunil Mehta, Naila Wissa, Ophelia Navarro, Phyllis Dubrow, Ruth Ward, Tony Van Der Meer

### Ginny Berkowitz Award for Media Arts & Social Justice

\$1,000 — \$1,999	Carlotte Berk	Emily Musgrave	Ginny Berkowitz
\$500+	John Donovan		
\$250 — \$499	Ellen Balis Hannah Kanstroom	Joyce Kauffman Lee Swislow & Denise McWilliams	Megan Hanna Sean Effel

#### Up to \$249

Alanna Mallon, Alfred B. Fantini, Annie Matias, Anonymous, Brad & Mary Glanden, Carla Gubernick, Cynthia Bauman, Douglas Hanna, Ellen Grabiner, Harriet Kanstroom, Katherine Berk, Lisa Berk, Matt Mena-Landry, Meredith Joy, Michael & Anita Cappellano, Sumbul Siddiqui, Susan Fleischmann

### John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards via The Cambridge Club

\$1,000	Anne F. St. Goar & Shippen Page	Fay & David Hannon	Paula Paris
\$500 — \$999	Amey Moot Cathie Zusy David A. Straus Derrick Jackson & Michelle Holmes	Nancy Woods Pam Lingel Pamela vanBeuzekom	
\$250 — \$499	Elizabeth Coxe Kathleen Born Kristen Wainwright & Richard Harriman	Ovadia Simha Paul & Deborah Walker	Robert & Eva Neer Susan Eldredge Mead

#### Up to \$249

Anne Cushman, Barbara Anthony, Decia Goodwin, Elsa Pepe, Janet M. Burns, Joseph Moore & Annette Lamond, Kathleen Rawlins, Laura Roberts & Edward Belove, Margaret Drury, Mary Lee & Peter Aldrich, Matthew Curtis, Polyxane Cobb, Richard Grubman & Caroline Mortimer, Shelagh Hadley, Susan Flannery, Susan Strang, Susan White, Suzanne Hamner

**Various**

<b>\$2,000+</b>	Patricia Intrieri & Alison Muyskens	→ Supplemental STEAM Scholarship
	Ramie Targoff & Stephen Greenblatt	→ Cheri Kamen Memorial Scholarship for the Humanities
<b>\$1,500</b>	Anonymous	→ Scholarship to Honor George Finn and Susie Espinosa
	John "Jack" Leydon & family	→ Aurora M. (Ciccariello) Leydon Memorial Scholarship
<b>\$1,250</b>	Neil & Kathleen Rosenberg	→ Mary Frances Monti Scholarship
<b>\$1,050</b>	Drs. Mary Tavares Sutula & Francis Sutula	→ Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship
<b>\$1,000</b>	Christy Zagarella	→ John D. Zagarella, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
	Elaine Schear	→ Elaine Schear "Voice of the First Generation" Creative Writing Scholarship
	Paula Paris	→ Alumni Association Class of 1965 Scholarship
<b>\$250+</b>	Harpreet Grewal	→ CRLS's BRYT Program
	Carol Sandstrom & Christopher Small	→ CRLS's Rocketry Club
	Gail Stein	→ AVID Scholarship
<b>Up to \$249</b>	Anonymous	→ CRLS Women's Crew via Friends of Cambridge Athletics
	Kristin Newton	→ Dr. Christopher Saheed Future Educators Scholarship

**Organizations, Including Businesses**

**Organizations' Donations, Grants, and Employee Matches to our General Fund (Unrestricted Donations)**

<b>\$5,000</b>	Proteus Fund		
<b>\$1,000+</b>	Christopher's Restaurant / Toad	Tufts Associated Health Plan	
<b>\$500 — \$999</b>	The Boston Foundation	The Martin & Marci Karplus Charitable Fund	WePay
<b>\$250 — \$499</b>	Bright Funds	Benevity Fund	The Cambridge Club
	Hong Kong Restaurant	Pullman Charitable Fund	
<b>Up to \$249</b>	Alchemy Foundation	Amazon Smile	
	Blackbaud Giving Fund c/o YourCause	Cambridge Strategic Partnerships	

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<b>\$10,000</b>	484 Phi Alpha Foundation	→ CRLS's Media Arts Studio
<b>\$7,000</b>	CambridgeSide	→ CRLS Students' Educational Summer Trips
<b>\$5,250</b>	CambridgeSeven Associates	→ CambridgeSeven STEAM Scholarship
<b>\$5,000</b>	Wagner Foundation	→ CRLS's Falcon's Market
<b>\$4,000</b>	Cambridge Community Foundation	→ CRLS's Falcon's Market
<b>\$3,000</b>	The Cambridge Club	→ John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards*
<b>\$2,500</b>	Cambridge Trust Charitable Foundation	→ Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards Sponsored by Cambridge Trust
<b>\$2,000</b>	Butler-Rahman Family Fund	→ N Rahman Scholarship
<b>\$1,000</b>	Microsoft Corporation	→ CRLS's Computer Science Department
	Tutoring Plus	→ Tutoring Plus Scholarship
<b>\$500 — \$999</b>	Cambridge Arts Council (City of Cambridge, Mayor's Office)	→ CRLS's Dept. of Visual & Performing Arts (mentor artist funding)
	Cambridge Trust Charitable Foundation	→ John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards*
	Cambridge Day (Marc Levy, Cambridge Media Systems)	→ Cambridge Day Sue Reinert Scholarship for Journalism
<b>\$250 — \$499</b>	Bistro Accounting	→ CRLS's Falcon's Market
	Department of Pediatrics at Cambridge Health Alliance	→ Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions
	Jordano/O'Brien Family Fund	→ Women's Ice Hockey Team via Friends of Cambridge Athletics
	Falb Family Charitable Trust	→ John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards*
<b>Up to \$249</b>	Richard & Dana Green Philanthropic Foundation Mount Auburn Hospital Medical Staff American Realty Advisors	\ Dr. David A. Link → Scholarship for the / Health Professions
	Wild Geese Foundation	→ Ginny Berkowitz Award for Media Arts & Social Justice
	John G. Wofford, Esq.	→ John & Ellen Moot Community Service Awards*

\*via The Cambridge Club

# Fundraising

## Appeal Letters

FOCRLS sent out 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, parents/guardians of alumni, alumni, Cambridge homeowners, and other previous contributors. We also emailed the appeals to our 5,000+ contacts through our listserv.

The autumn appeal drew \$36,739 in contributions, and our spring appeal brought in \$9,258, for a total of \$45,997 (an increase of \$2,254 over last year). These contributions are all listed under Donations and Gifts.

## Outreach

Our Treasurer & Scholarship Chair has been active in retaining our numerous Scholarship Sponsors as well as building relationships with ongoing and prospective donors. He also manages our fiscal sponsorships, which have increased significantly over the past few years.

By featuring awardees on our website, demonstrating conscientious use of our funds, and developing a presence at CRLS, we have been extremely fortunate to attract families, organizations, and companies seeking ways to support the community.

CRLS faculty members have enlisted our services in being the fiscal sponsor for outside donations they have secured so the givers can report the gifts as tax-deductible.

## Financial Summary

Description	FY 2021-22	FY 2020-21
Contributions and Grants Received	\$225,447	\$162,213
Investment Income Accrued	\$1,050	\$1,218
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$226,497</b>	<b>\$163,431</b>
Program Support	\$136,136	\$122,783
Management & General	\$35,345	\$32,966
Fundraising	\$13,550	\$13,971
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$185,031</b>	<b>\$169,720</b>
Revenue Less Expenditures	\$41,466	(\$6,289)
Unrealized Loss/Gain on Investments	(\$15,806)	\$24,455
<b>Increase to Net Assets</b>	<b>\$25,660</b>	<b>\$18,166</b>
Beginning Net Assets	\$230,947	\$212,781
<b>Ending Net Assets</b>	<b>\$256,607</b>	<b>\$230,947</b>

Net Asset Composition		
Restricted Endowments for Scholarships	\$91,420	\$64,770
Other Restricted	\$57,186	\$37,500
Unrestricted	\$108,001	\$128,677
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$256,607</b>	<b>\$230,947</b>

## Remembrance of Dr. David A. Link



David A. Link, M.D., the inspiration for the Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions, passed away on July 7, 2021. Dr. Link, a first-generation American whose parents fled Europe to escape the Holocaust, was a highly accomplished pediatrician deeply devoted to caring for children, families, and the community. His career pinnacled with 30+ years as Chief of Pediatrics at Cambridge Health Alliance and Mt. Auburn Hospital. Upon his retirement from this position in the fall of 2013, colleagues partnered with the Link family and reached out to Friends of CRLS to create the scholarship in his honor.

***“The work will always be there, the satisfaction will be enormous, and the task remains challenging,” Dr. Link wrote about the health professions in his personal statement to Friends of CRLS when the scholarship was founded, at which time he provided this photo.***

Awardees of this scholarship, first presented in 2014, have expressed their determination not only to provide medical care but to advocate for under-served communities, whether defined by geography, culture, income, age, or extent of health conditions. With one presented each year the first four years and two presented annually since 2018, the scholarship has so far helped 15 students get closer to their goals of becoming physicians, surgeons, nurses, therapists, researchers, and, in one case, a justice-minded medical examiner.

When Dr. Link passed away last summer, Friends of CRLS received an outpouring of donations, many of which were accompanied by touching tributes. “His special character and wisdom will live on through his family and the countless people he helped and taught,” wrote one donor. Others’ notes described Dr. Link as a legendary caregiver, compassionate doctor, passionate advocate, generous soul to many, nurturer to all, dedicated teacher and mentor, curious learner, humanitarian, mensch, and loving husband and father.

In addition to his extensive pediatric work in Cambridge and surrounding cities, Dr. Link was active in his lifelong commitment to the Jewish community, not only in the Boston area, but overseas. As a volunteer with Combined Jewish Philanthropies, he worked in Dnipro (Dnipropetrovsk at the time), Ukraine, to establish health care facilities open to all children of that region.

Dr. Link is survived by his wife of 47 years, Dr. Margaret Ross Link. He is survived also by his three children, Benjamin Link (with wife Dr. Becky Genberg and children Annika and Caleb), Dr. Nathaniel Link (with partner Dr. Yen Pham), and Dr. Rebecca Link (with husband Adam Marvin).

Donations to the Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the Health Professions can be made by credit card or e-check at <https://focrls.org/linkscholarshipfund/> or by check, made payable to FOCRLS with “Dr. David A. Link Scholarship” on the memo line, mailed to FOCRLS, P.O. Box 391541, Cambridge, MA 02139.

Donations to FOCRLS are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. For more information, please visit [focrls.org](https://focrls.org) email [info@focrls.org](mailto:info@focrls.org) or call 857-235-9290.



## Volunteer and Colleague Appreciation

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

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- **Sponsor!** Become a Spring Bash event sponsor, establish a scholarship or sponsor an existing scholarship, fund a grant, etc. Please email us at **info@FOCRLS.org** for information.
- **Volunteer!** Any amount of time you can give, we can put to good use. Please email us at **info@FOCRLS.org** to begin. **Student volunteers can receive community service credit; make sure we sign the form you need.**
  - ★ 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/newsletters 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,” sponsor a scholarship, offer a fundraiser, donate a raffle prize, contribute a Bash auction item, or otherwise be involved with FOCRLS, please email us at **info@FOCRLS.org** so we can explore ways you can join our network of community supporters.

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