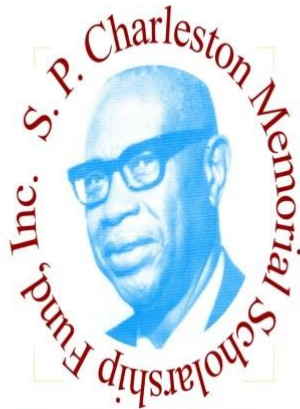


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S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc.

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2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Carver High
Class of 1970



Rewarding Academic Excellence, Community Involvement and Service to Others

“Giving Back – Empowering Education in our Community”

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Message from the Chairman

Dear Classmates, Family and Friends:

“It takes a village to raise a child.” This old African saying was most appropriate for many of us growing up and remains even truer today. We shudder to think, where we might be without the help of others along our life’s journey. Many of those hands that reached out to help us, wanted nothing in return other than for us to help someone else. To that end, the Carver High Class of 1970 S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund is a means for us to pool our resources with the expressed purpose of assisting young minority graduates of Carver High School who have demonstrated academic excellence, community service and service to others and who are pursuing a post-secondary education. Since 2011, this collaborative effort of like-minded classmates has awarded 24 scholarships totaling \$21,450.00. But we feel we can do more. Why? Because much more needs to be done.

As we enter the twilight of our lives, nothing is more rewarding than helping talented young people defy significant odds to achieve something great. I am happy to report that the Scholarship Fund is as determined as ever to remain successful in awarding scholarships each academic school year. This annual report is the first to be published since the Fund’s inception, and we will continue to do so in the future.

To what do we attribute this amazing success?

- To the members of our Board of Directors whose personal financial support and tireless planning efforts help us raise the necessary funds that make all our results possible.
- To the outstanding Carver High School Principal and Guidance Counselors with whom we partner, and who educate, prepare and motivate students to seek out the challenges and rigors of community service and academic success.
- To the many teachers, community service leaders, parents and family members who assist our students with our very detailed application and interview process.
- To the other 1970 Carver High Classmates who have joined us in our efforts over the years.

Still much more can and will be done. Our mission remains steadfast – to reward talented Carver High School minority graduates with financial assistance, who have demonstrated academic excellence, community service and service to others, thus ensuring that their dreams are realized and helping them toward a successful future. It is our goal to increase the amount and number of scholarships to reach even more students. To achieve our goal we will endeavor to:

- Continue to expand our Scholarship Fund annual individual donor contribution campaign.
- Secure corporate Scholarship Fund donations.
- Continue disciplined and risk averse Fund investments and strategies.
- Plan for periodic fund raising events
- Continue to conduct effective Board of Directors’ monthly meetings and an annual executive committee planning meeting.

Clearly, the challenges facing our scholarship efforts today require that we allocate resources carefully to meet priorities that support our mission. It is because of the commitment of our current Board Members who have willingly sacrificed to make it possible, and the support of our 1970 Classmates and friends, that we have the resources to keep our mission viable. We will continue to call on the generosity and sacrifices of many friends and our 1970 classmates to make it possible. We hope that we can count on you to partner with us by making your contribution today. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any Board member.

Thank you for your past and future support, for your prayers, time, financial gifts and all that you have done and will do to advance the Scholarship Fund's mission. We cannot thank you enough for joining us in this journey to transform lives. Together we are igniting the potential of remarkable young men and women. We look forward to working with you to continue this essential work in the coming years.

May God bless you abundantly for your past and future generosity!

Yours through the rewarding spirit of helping others,

Lester McCray, Chairman
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About Us

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Our History

The Carver High Class of 1970 S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. was conceived by fellow classmate, Lester McCray in 2009, organized in 2010 with a team of classmates who embraced the vision to “give back” by providing scholarships to deserving minority Carver High School graduating seniors pursuing a post-secondary education. In 2011, the Scholarship Fund was incorporated in the state of Georgia, received 501-c-3 designation from the Internal Revenue Service and the first scholarship was awarded later that year. It is named in honor of a dedicated educator and Principal of Carver High School, the late Dr. Samuel P. Charleston who was committed to providing the best educational opportunities possible to students. He retired with the Carver High School Class of 1970. A small, but dedicated group within the Carver Class of 1970 sought to provide an enduring scholarship to a deserving minority Carver High School graduating male and to a graduating female. The focus and continued aim is to provide financial support to Carver High School minority students who have exhibited academic excellence, community service and service to others and are pursuing a post-secondary education. Twenty-four scholarship awards, totaling \$21,450.00 later, the CMSF continues to thrive and, today, is able to offer each academic school year, scholarships to deserving minority students meeting the stated criteria.

Our Mission

The mission of the Carver High Class of 1970 S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. is to give scholarship assistance to Carver High School minority male and female students who have exhibited academic excellence, community service and service to others and are pursuing a post-secondary education.

The CMSF seeks to create a three-way partnership between high school counselors, teachers and community service leaders. Through these partnerships we strive to identify bright, young people whose goals are advancement in life through post-secondary education. By providing financial support, the CMSF is making a difference in the lives of deserving young men and women, their families and their communities.

Our Results

The S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund has over 6 years of experience and a proven track record of providing financial assistance to Carver High School minority males and females. This assistance is given after students are enrolled in a college, university, military, or technical school. Since its 2011 inception, a total of 24 seniors were awarded CMSF scholarships for a total CMSF award of \$21,450.00. The result is bright young people who have been financially helped to pursue their dreams of a post-secondary education, thus bettering their lives and enriching our community.

Carver High Class of 1970 S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. Recipients

2011

Justin Jones	\$1,500.00
Yasmine Walton	\$1,500.00
Briana Mills	\$1,500.00

2012

Niesha Roberts	\$1,500.00
Subricca Redding	\$1,500.00

2013

Markia Sellers	\$1,500.00
Andreuous Woods ***	\$1,500.00

Book

Kelsey Brown	\$ 250.00
Sidney Seay	\$ 200.00
Tori Bankston***	\$ 200.00
Akilah Thomas***	\$ 200.00
Kierra Franklin	\$ 200.00

2014

James Jones	\$1,500.00
Octavia Fortson	\$1,500.00

Book

Alexis Rutledge	\$ 200.00
Timothy Whatley***	\$ 200.00



I am Destiny Elliott, a graduating STEM Honors' Scholar, Senior Class President (Class of 2016), Miss Sophomore 2013-2014, National Honor Society inductee, Public Relations' Chair for Future Business Leaders of America, and a member of the United Way

Youth Council. My involvement and accomplishments at G.W. Carver High School were recognized by the S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund. Furthermore, I am the recipient of a 2016 \$500 Book Scholarship. I thank this Scholarship Fund for granting the financial assistance to attend Georgia State University as a Broadcast Journalism Major. They have contributed to a successful transition from a Carver Tiger to a Georgia State Panther.

2015

Ozzarah Watson	\$1,500.00
Javarrius Liddell	\$1,500.00

Book

Quentoria Walton	\$ 500.00
Nahtyka Jolly	\$ 500.00
Robert Jernigan	\$ 250.00
Sydney Norris	\$ 250.00

2016

Talilah Maddox	\$1,500.00
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Book

Destiny Elliott	\$ 500.00
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I am Taliah Maddox, I consider it a blessing and a privilege to have received this award for \$1500.00. With this scholarship award, I plan to offset the cost of obtaining resources for my college career by purchasing needed items, such as, a wireless printer, a laptop with the scholarship award and personal items for my dorm room. This scholarship will be a major help, not only to me, but also to my parents as well. By receiving this award, it gives me a sense of productivity as I am able to contribute to my education through this prestigious award. I truly am thankful for the scholarship committee for taking the time to review my application and interview with me. The life lesson that I take from this is that hard work definitely pays off! I am committed to be accountable to Mr. S.P. Charleston, the former recipients of this award, the scholarship committee, my parents and all those who have been instrumental in preparing me for this time in my life.

*Note: Total amount disbursed \$19,350.00/20 students

***Note: Student failed to provide required information to receive scholarship

CMSF 2016 Statement of Financial Position

As of April 24, 2017

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings	
SP Charleston Scholarship Fund	\$ 3,336.19
SP Charleston Savings account	500.50
TD Ameritrade 529 College Saving	<u>6,112.57</u>
Total Checking/Savings	9,949.26

Total Current Assets \$ 9,949.26

Other Assets

Marketable Securities

TD Ameritrade	Market Value
Cash	\$ 123.58
5 shares AFLAC	346.30
10 shares BAH	285.10
10 shares GE	<u>298.20</u>

Total Marketable Securities 1,022.05

Total Other Assets 1,022.05

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 10,971.31**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity

Unrestricted Net Assets	10,458.74
Net Income For The Period Ending 6/30/2016	<u>512.57</u>
Total Equity	10,971.31

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY **10,971.31**

CMSF Donor History

Year to Date

Year/Donor	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Class of 1970 Donations	592	500	110	100	350	50	250	50
Board Member Donations	1,500							
Board Member Assessments	1,500	2,800	2,150	2,500	2,600	2,753	2,368	2,000
Fundraiser			1,640			1,700	150	
Other Donations		1,840	255	450	550	200		525
TOTALS	3,592	5,140	4,155	3,050	3,500	4,703	2,768	2,575

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Scholarships given by year	4,500	3,000	2,150	3,200	4,500	2,000	

The above numbers indicate scholarship awards actually given.

How to Donate

Thank you for your interest in the S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund! Our collective and generous donations toward giving college-bound Tiger students scholarship assistance will make a life-altering difference in the lives of the students. Your contributions will help relieve the financial burden of an education from their families, and help set the conditions for their college and future success.

Donating to the CMSF is simple and donations of any size are valued.

- **Credit card donations** are accepted online.



- **Checks** can be made out to S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund and mailed to the address below.

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Financial Secretary
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Riverdale, Georgia 30274

The Carver High Class of 1970 S.P. Charleston Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. is a 501-c-3 non-profit organization as defined by the IRS and contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowable by the law.