



The St. Anthony Catholic Church
Educational Trust



IMPACT REPORT

2025

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of St. Anthony Catholic Church Educational Trust,
It is with tremendous gratitude that I share this update on the progress of our “Securing Our Future” Capital Campaign. By the close of 2025, we have received over half of our pledges — a milestone that reflects the extraordinary generosity and faithfulness of this community.

In our commitment to responsible stewardship of your gifts, we engaged West & Company to conduct an audit review of year-end 2024 and 2025. I am pleased to report that everything was found to be in good shape. You can have full confidence that the resources entrusted to this Trust are being managed with care and integrity.

Because of your generosity, the Trust has grown into a significant source of support for St. Anthony Schools — helping to keep tuition reasonable and providing meaningful financial assistance to families in need. This is exactly what the Trust was established to do, and it is doing it well.

Together, we are ensuring that a St. Anthony education continues to form young men and women for spiritual, academic, and personal excellence. That mission endures because of you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Paul Hartke

Paul Hartke, President



Paul Hartke class of 1961

*President of the St. Anthony Catholic
Church Educational Trust*

**“ The trust exists to ensure
tuition is affordable for all
and to provide scholarships
for those in need. ”**



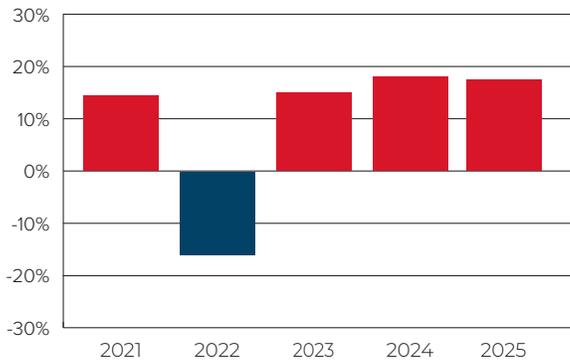
EDUCATIONAL TRUST FIGURES SUMMARIZED

Figures and Totals from Mar 1, 1998 - Dec 31, 2025

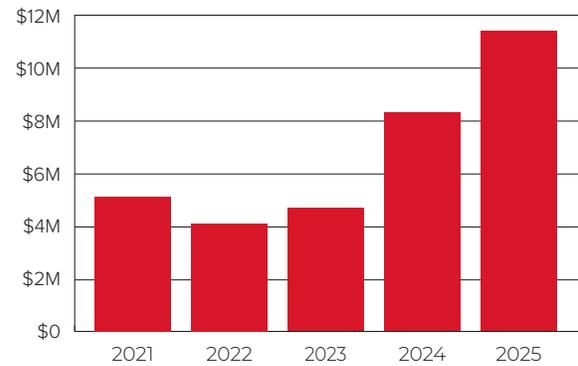
	GENERAL FUND	EARMARKED SCHOLARSHIPS*
Contributions Received (1995-2025)	\$1,981,314	\$1,675,650
Securing Our Future Campaign	\$5,756,025	
Disbursements to Schools	\$943,544	\$1,228,752
Expenses	\$298,990	\$0
Current Value	\$9,854,661	\$1,833,549
Gain / Loss	\$3,359,855	\$1,386,651

*Earmarked Scholarships are Specified Funds for the Cornelia Gardewine Scholarship and Jim & Kay Jansen Scholarship

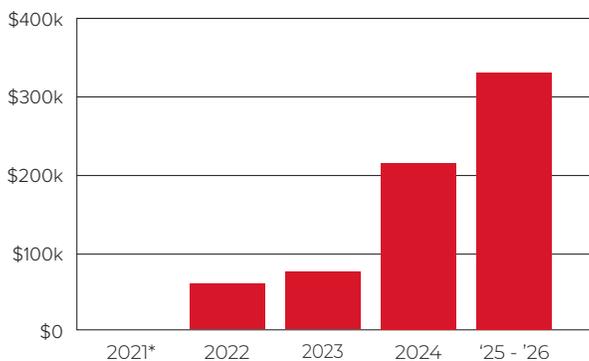
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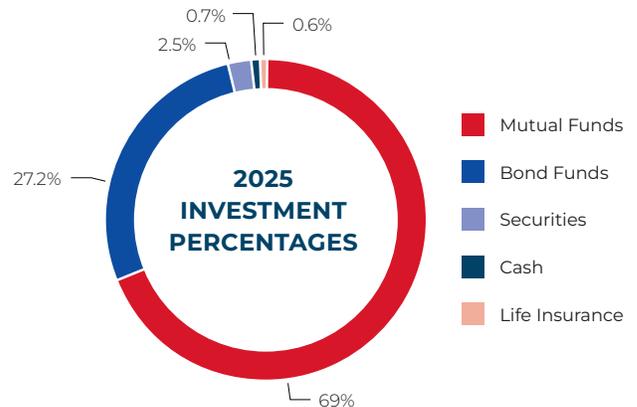
YEAR END TRUST VALUES



DISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. ANTHONY SCHOOLS



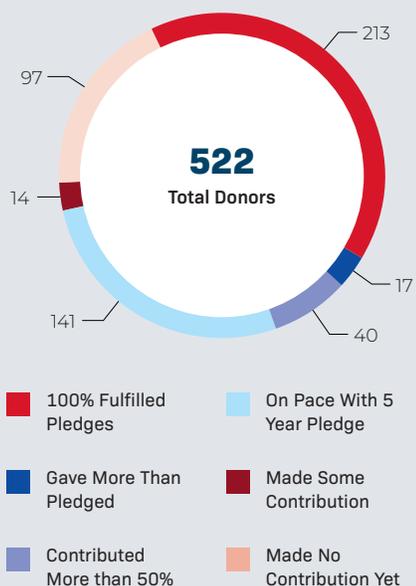
*St. Anthony Schools Declined Distribution in 2021





SECURING OUR FUTURE

As we look ahead, Securing Our Future pledges are strengthening tuition assistance and keeping St. Anthony Schools within reach for more families. Now in **Year 2 of our 5-year campaign**, fulfilling your pledge early helps the Trust put those dollars to work sooner—creating impact now and stability for the future.



Donations Toward Pledges

Received	\$5,673,796
Total Pledged	\$10,337,025



Each year at this time, we have brought to you in this publication an update on the status of the St. Anthony Educational Trust. It illustrates quite well the importance of this endeavor and, thankfully, its tremendous success. I am so proud of and grateful for your interest and generosity.

The continued growth in the value of the Trust will allow greater and greater disbursements to St. Anthony Schools each year. This lowers the tuition for each family every year. It has performed well, and is managed well. To assure this, we contracted for an annual audit for the first time this past year. It is our intention in carrying this out to demonstrate the priority we place on properly managing the great and sacrificial gifts you have given to ensure St. Anthony Schools' vibrancy for years to come.

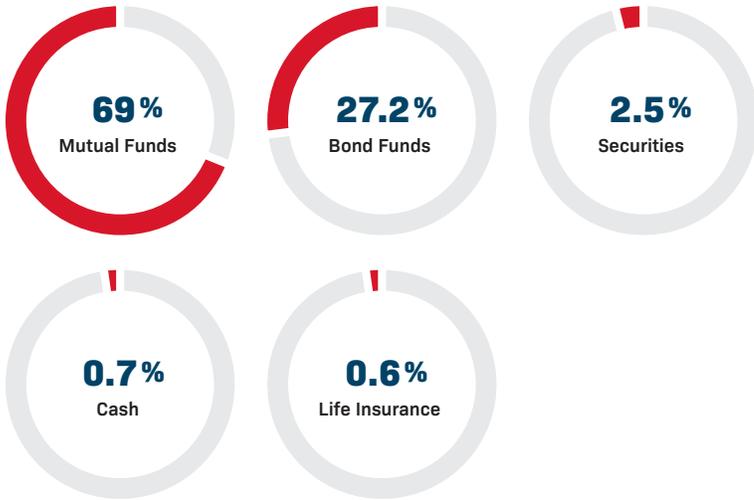
As each year passes, the total amounts pledged over the five year period will be met. Some of you have already completed your pledges in advance. It is my hope that in the years to come, as you complete your pledges, you may prayerfully consider continuing some portion as an annual gift to the trust as well as in your estate planning. More growth means more assistance each year.

I am grateful for your continued support in the mission of our schools.

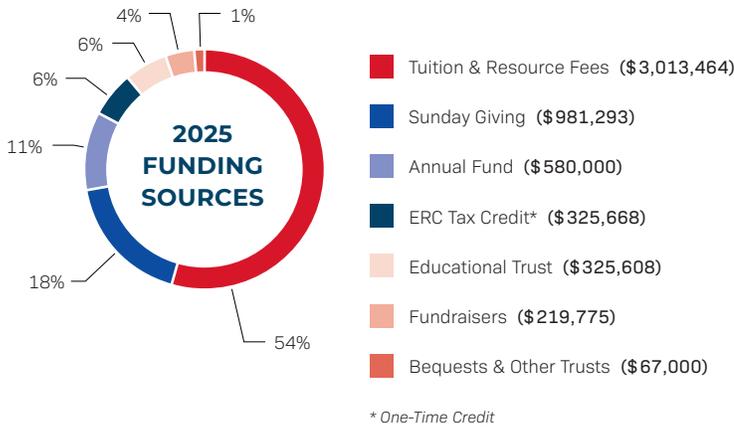
Fr. Peter Harman

Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

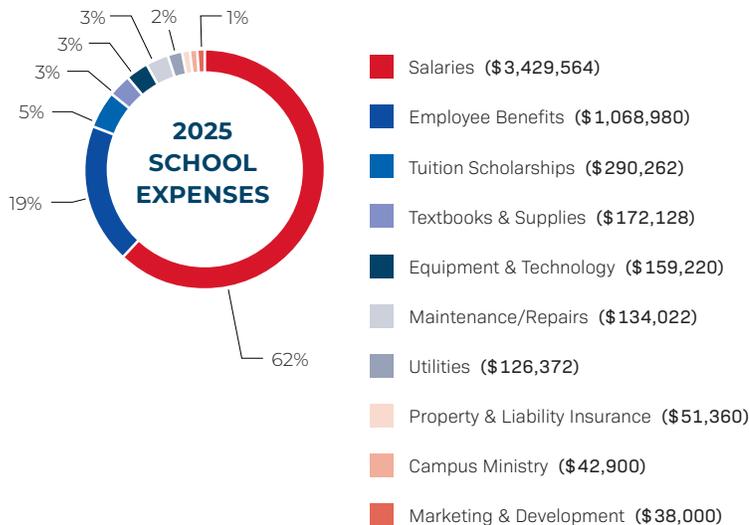
2025 INVESTMENT PERCENTAGES



2025-2026 SCHOOL FUNDING AT A GLANCE



Total Income: \$5,512,808



Total Expenses: \$5,512,808

TUITION CHANGES

Tuition costs naturally rise from year to year due to inflation, operational expenses, and the growing needs of our schools. While these increases are necessary to maintain the high standards of Catholic education at St. Anthony Schools, one of the Trust's primary goals is to help keep tuition rates as low as possible by providing sustainable funding that offsets costs.

2000-2010

10%

Average Yearly Increase

2010-2020

4.2%

Average Yearly Increase

2020-2026

3.6%

Average Yearly Increase

2026-2027

Without the success of the "Securing Our Future" campaign and the additional distributions from the Educational Trust, tuition increases would have been approximately **13-15%** for the 2026-2027 school year.

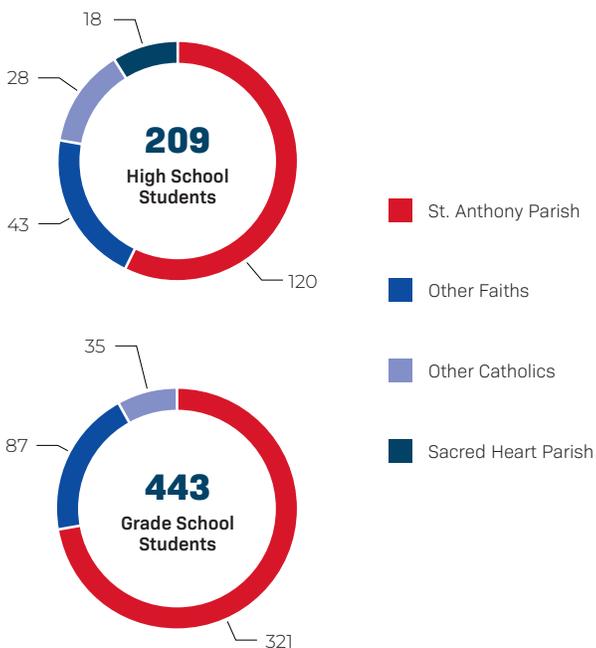
7.45%
2026-2027
Tuition Increase

ENSURING TRANSPARENCY THROUGH INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL REVIEW

As part of our ongoing commitment to transparency and responsible stewardship, the St. Anthony Educational Trust voluntarily completed an independent self-audit conducted by West & Company, LLC. This review evaluated the Trust’s financial practices and internal controls to ensure funds are managed properly and in alignment with established policies. We’re pleased to share that the audit found everything to be in good order and fully compliant. This proactive step reflects our dedication to accountability and gives our donors confidence that their generosity is being managed with care and integrity.



STUDENT BODY OVERVIEW



2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP STATS

A portion of the Trust’s annual distribution also supports Parish Scholarships, helping more families afford a St. Anthony Catholic education.



Total Parish Scholarship Funds awarded

\$168,144



Number of families Receiving Parish scholarships

65 FAMILIES



Average Family Scholarship Amount

\$2,587



The St. Anthony Catholic Church Educational Trust was established in 1995 for the long-term benefit of St. Anthony Schools. Its mission is to allow for the ongoing affordability of Catholic Education and Formation at St. Anthony Schools. The trust is a **separate & distinct** entity from the Parish, Diocese, and other trusts and foundations operated by St. Anthony Parish and Schools.

The trust is operated under its own federal tax identification number and is tax exempt under IRS Section 501(c)(3). **Gifts to the Trust are tax deductible.**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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The Educational Trust is managed by a group of parishioners who operate within the bylaws established during the formation of the trust.

GOAL OF THE EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Our goal is to grow the Trust to hold more than \$15 million in assets in the next ten years. We will continue to contribute up to 5% of assets to help offset the cost of Catholic Education and Formation.

It is our commitment that 100% of the proceeds from the Educational Trust will be distributed to St. Anthony Schools.

Gifts donated to the St. Anthony Catholic Church Educational Trust are governed by the Trust's investment and distribution policy. If you have questions or need advice about charitable giving, please consult your financial advisor.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The St. Anthony Catholic Church Educational Trust is guided by a dedicated Investment Committee that carefully evaluates investment opportunities and makes recommendations to the trustees to ensure the long-term growth and viability of the Trust.

Paul Hartke

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