YOUR GIFT WILL HELP:

> Provide services and resources that will increase the recruitment and retention of under-represented students to the College of Education, Health and Human Services (EHHS).

> Engage and educate a diverse group of students, faculty and staff through immersion, mentoring and professional development opportunities.

> Support expanded scholarships and research/fellowship opportunities in graduate programs.

> Grow the Diversity Assistance Fund available to undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate financial need within EHHS.

> Strengthen school and community partnerships to increase the recruitment of quality diverse students into the college’s programs.

“Your gift to EHHS supports the college as we prepare our students for the communities they will live in and serve in the future.”

— Daniel Diaz Nilsson, Director Diversity Outreach and Development, College of Education, Health and Human Services

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We encourage you to partner with us to enable a new generation of teachers, counselors and caretakers to make a positive difference for everyone they encounter in their careers.

We can help you decide what and how to give. You may want to specify criteria for your gift. You may want to take advantage of tax savings, make a one-time contribution or a gift over multiple years. We can guide you through your options and help you choose what works best for you.

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IMPACT PROFILE

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY OUTREACH AND DEVELOPMENT

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Creating an inclusive and diverse learning environment

RECRUIT, DEVELOP, RETAIN

The Office of Diversity Outreach and Development provides high-impact outreach services and resources to increase the recruitment and retention of under-represented student populations into the College of Education, Health and Human Services (EHHS).

The office is a hub that engages and educates a diverse group of students, faculty and staff through immersion, mentoring and professional development opportunities. This helps to progressively increase the retention of under-represented students in the various majors and programs in EHHS.
Diversity Outreach and Development focuses on increasing diversity within the college while assisting students in reaching their educational goals. This is achieved through mentoring programs; by connecting students to university resources; providing financial assistance; forming partnerships with local school districts and programs; and collaborative efforts with professors to provide out-of-classroom learning experiences.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE, ONE STUDENT AT A TIME
Your contribution to the Office of Diversity Outreach and Development will support a variety of critical programs such as:

NETWORK OF DIVERSE EDUCATORS PROGRAM (NDEP)
The Network provides students of under-represented populations in the teaching force with a support program that focuses on career development and skill building. NDEP provides in-depth support for future teachers through mentorship from college faculty, school principals, teachers and peers. Your gift will assist with program costs, school visits and a book award for participants each semester.

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS
Diversity Outreach and Development builds both school and community partnerships to increase the recruitment of quality diverse individuals into our college’s programs. The goal is to better prepare students to enter college, consider teaching, health science or human service as a career field, and consider Kent State University as their college of choice. Your gift will assist with costs for college and school visits and financial aid incentives.

EDUCATION EXPLORERS
Teaching is one of the most rewarding career fields in our society, and it’s important to present this career opportunity to students early in their high-school years. Education Explorers introduces teaching as a profession, outlines some of the field’s critical needs areas, and provides perspectives on diversity in the classroom. Your contribution will help pay for post-secondary option credit, program costs and scholarship/grant opportunities for students who participate in this experience.

HEALTHCARE IN PROGRESS (HIP)
In partnership with Akron Public Schools, Summa Health System, NEOMED and The University of Akron, HIP exposes students to different career opportunities available in healthcare. Throughout the school year, students become involved with area hospitals, and can participate in a summer camp that introduces them to the three colleges within the partnership. At Kent State, we showcase our Nutrition and Dietetics, Speech Pathology and Audiology and Exercise Science programs to middle- and high-school students. Your gift will help fund program costs and promotional materials.

DIVERSIFICATION OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS
To attract more students into EHHS graduate programs, scholarships and research/fellowship opportunities are offered. A summer introduction program enables African American, Latino American and Native American (AALANA) students to visit the campus and learn about graduate programs, the faculty who serve as mentors, the program requirements, and to enjoy local amenities. Your contribution will assist in program costs and fund grants.

SCHOLARSHIP AID
The Diversity Assistance Fund is an established fund earmarked for supplemental assistance for students demonstrating financial need. Other contributions to scholarship aid will be established to assist in recruiting efforts for both undergraduate and graduate programs.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS
A graduate assistant works with office staff on several projects relating to retention efforts for AALANA students in the college. This student also works with school and community partners to expose middle and high school students to career opportunities in teaching, health science or human services. Your contribution will assist with paying tuition, fees, healthcare costs and a monthly stipend for one graduate assistant.

“Your gift will help to support our major programs and grow the services available to students.

$250,000 will establish an endowment to support the program coordinator’s position in perpetuity

$100,000 will endow a scholarship to cover six month’s tuition for a student who has displayed a strong commitment to serving their community

$75,000 will endow the mentoring program for students in EHHS

$50,000 will endow a summer institute for AALANA students from across the country interested in pursuing a graduate degree at Kent State

$25,000 will allow us to endow a new scholarship for one undergraduate student per year or hire one full-time graduate assistant

$10,500 will provide funding for one full-time graduate student tuition

$10,000 will pay one, full-time undergraduate student tuition

$6,500 will fund the summer graduate research institute to recruit more diverse students for our programs

$5,000 will cover the program cost of the Network for Diverse Educators Program

$3,000 will support college recruitment efforts in area high schools

$2,400 will fund 25% of a one year tuition for a CityYear Corps member matching grant

$1,500 will fund mentoring and one-on-one coaching efforts

$500 will provide a book award for one NDEP Scholar or support the Diversity Assistance Fund for student in need

$300 will assist with office retention efforts and marketing materials

Other examples of long-term priorities are also available. Please contact us for additional information.

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“The Office of Diversity Outreach has helped me become more academically responsible. I feel that I really got the assistance I needed to improve myself as a student. This office also helped to make me feel more secure on campus as a minority student.”

— Sadar Muhammad, Junior Integrated Social Studies Major