
HELP US FUND THE GAP

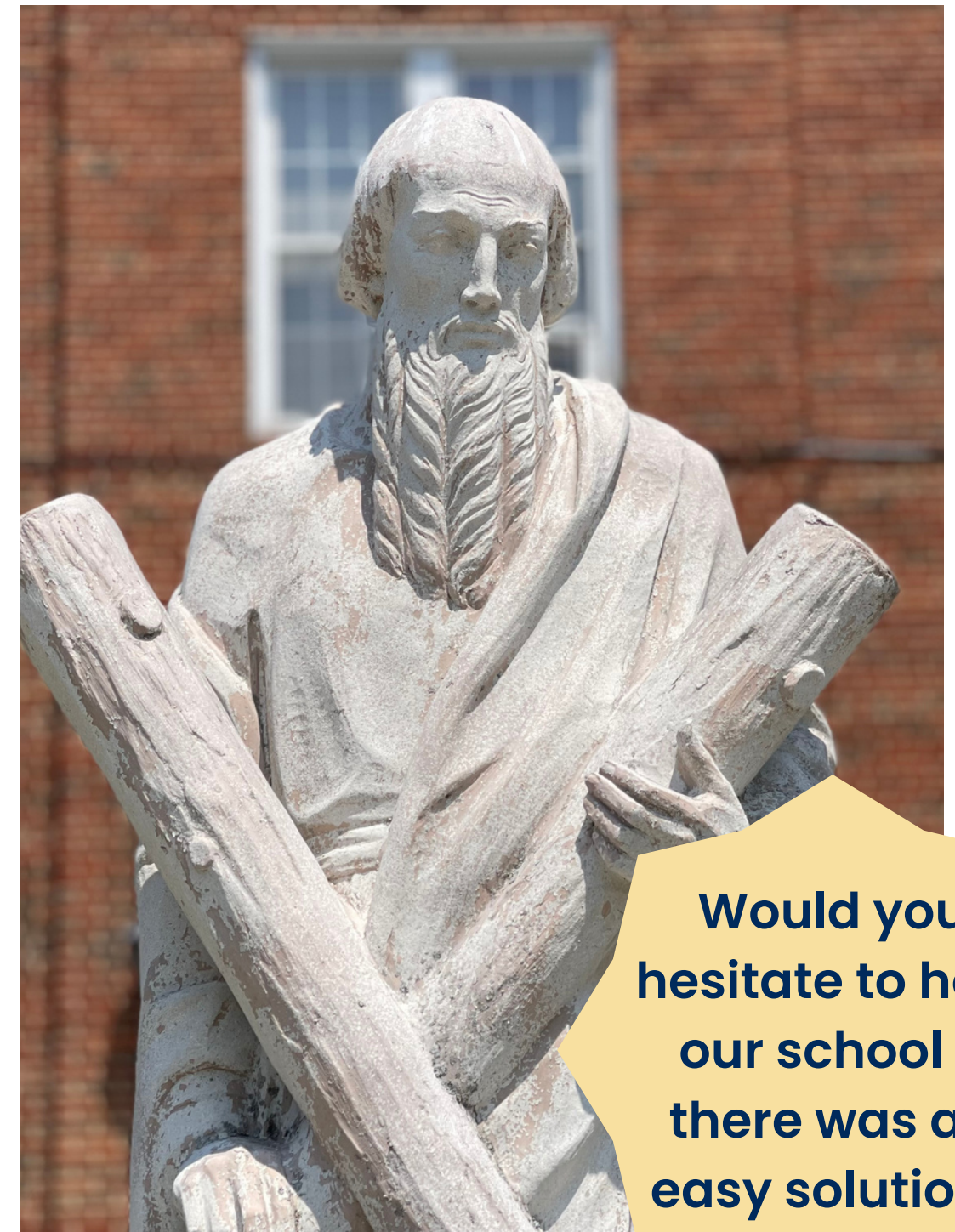
TOWN HALL MEETING RECAP

June 7, 2022



PURPOSE

The administration of the Diocese of Harrisburg and St. Andrew Catholic School are working towards the future sustainability of Catholic Schools. With the rising costs of education, it has become increasingly difficult to provide a quality education without raising the cost of tuition. We know that SACS is a truly special place which is why we have made this the educational home for our children.



**Would you
hesitate to help
our school if
there was an
easy solution?**



Average Secured EITC
Scholarship Funds

> \$30,000

Average Total Scholarship
Funds that Families Need

< \$65,000

ISSUE #1: LACKING SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING



We have about 30-40 families that apply for financial aid each year. We currently have a gap of over **\$35,000** between what families deserve vs. what we are able to award. This deficit may cause us to lose enrollment because some families simply cannot afford tuition.



Cost of yearly salaries
and benefits

\$825,183.75

Current yearly tuition
revenue

\$644,977.50

ISSUE #2: **OUR FUNDING GAP**

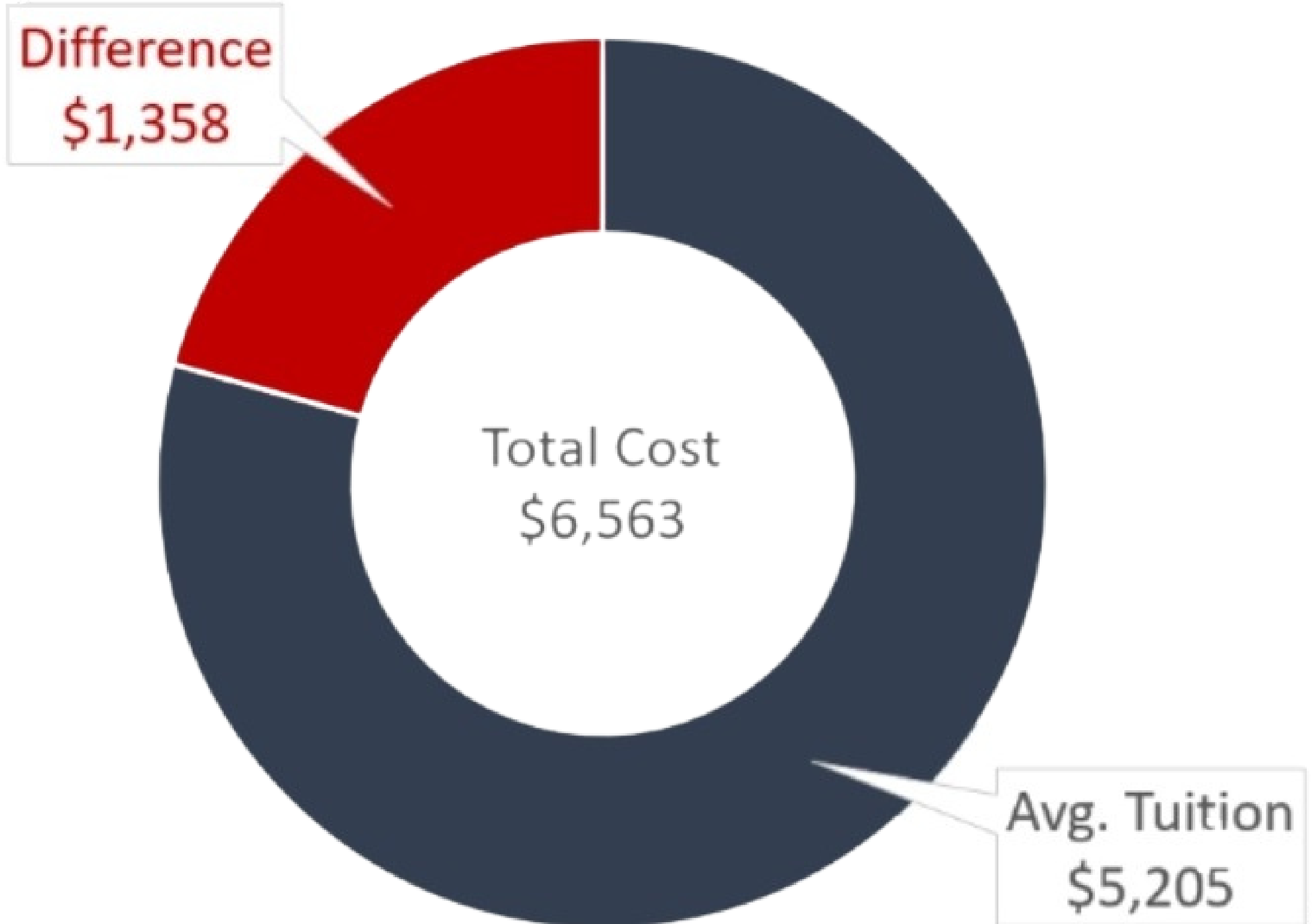


Tuition revenue should cover all salaries and benefits. You can see that this is not the case. We currently have a gap of about **\$180,206.25**. This current deficit makes it harder to provide competitive salaries to our deserving teachers and staff.

THE FACTS

**What you pay for tuition
vs.
What it actually costs**

*These numbers do not reflect ATP, financial aide, and other scholarships that lower the tuition paid by families.





HOW DO WE CURRENTLY MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE?

- Excessive Fundraising
- Soliciting Donations
- Generous Benefactors



THE REALITY

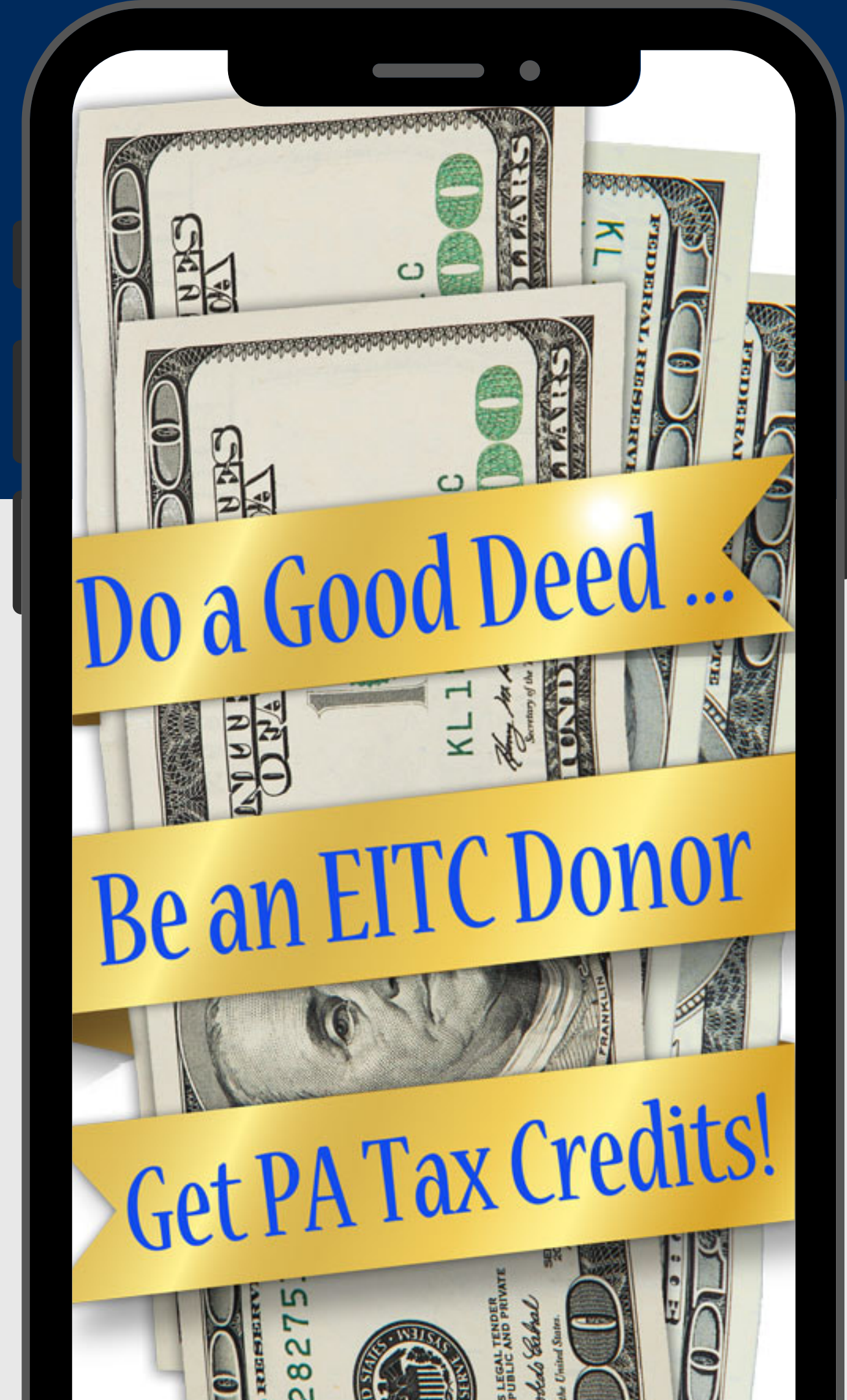
- Fundraising is tedious! It requires a lot of volunteers and time. Our HSO is now responsible for helping to fund the overall budget. In the past, their purpose was to provide fun activities for students and families.
- We cannot always guarantee that we will have generous benefactors providing us with donations each year.
- It is unfair to ask more of the parish when they already provide us with so much.



THERE IS A BETTER WAY!

It's as easy as making a minimum of a **\$100** donation per year! Most of us spend way more than that on our multiple yearly fundraisers.

Your donation will help close our budget gap, keep tuition low, distribute more scholarship funds to students, provide staff with competitive wages, and reduce the number of yearly fundraisers.



HOW? TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR TAX DOLLARS!

The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program turns the tax dollars you already pay into financial aid for local students! When you take advantage of these tax credits, you put your tax dollars to work in your community for local students.





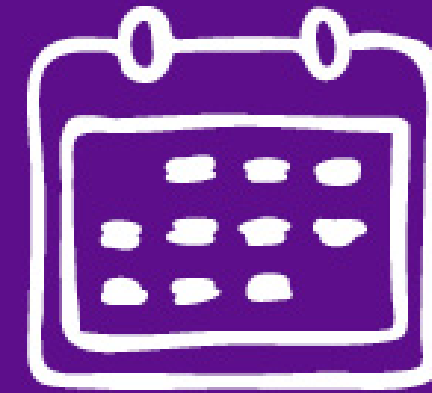
Determine if
you qualify



Apply (Mid-May
to renew, or
early July as a
new
applicant)



Get
approved by the
state



Make a
contribution



Receive up to
90% of your
contribution in
tax credits

W2 INCOME EARNERS



1 Sign the Pledge!

You can leverage 100% of your annual PA state income tax to participate in the EITC program. Determine your PA tax liability. Then fill out the pledge form today!

2 Submit Your Check!

Toward the fall, you will receive a letter via US Mail. It will be an award letter, stating that you are eligible for the tax credit and the check request will be included. Send in your contribution per the instructions.

3 Receive Your Refund!

After you submit your check, you will receive a K-1 (tax receipt) to file with your taxes and any credit/refund will be sent to you in the form of a PA tax refund.

HERE IS AN EXAMPLE

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The Jones Family makes a combined income of \$100,000 per year as found on their W2. On average, they pay a total of \$3,700 on their income taxes to the state each year. This \$3,700 is considered their tax liability. The Jones family could make a contribution of \$1,000–\$3,700 to Saint Andrew Catholic School and would receive 90% of their contribution back when they file their taxes.



When you make a \$1,000 contribution, it will go directly to Saint Andrew Catholic School. Then \$900 would come back to you at tax time. You only make a \$100 donation and our school would get the entire \$1,000 to help more families.

BUSINESS OWNERS



1 Sign the Pledge!

You can leverage 100% of your annual PA state income tax to participate in the EITC program. Determine your PA tax liability. Then fill out the pledge form today!

2 Keep Tax Dollars Local

When you sign the pledge form you can suspend your quarterly estimated payments to Harrisburg! You can send one check to the charity that holds the funds for the school's financial aid! The students get 100% of your contribution and you receive back 90% in the form of tax credits!

3 Receive Your Refund!

After you submit your check, you will receive a K-1 (tax receipt) to file with your taxes and any credit/refund will be sent to you in the form of a PA tax refund.

HERE IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE



The Garcia Family owns a successful small business. They roughly pay \$1,000 quarterly in state taxes. Due to "Safe Harbour" the small business would no longer need to worry about paying quarterly taxes. They would write a check for \$4,000 and send to a charity that would give directly to the business' chosen entity.



A \$4,000 contribution would go directly to Saint Andrew Catholic School and \$3,600 would come back to you at tax time. Your business donation is merely \$400 and our school would get the entire \$4,000 to help more families.

IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES?

We have 83 families in our school. If each eligible family contributed the minimum of \$1,000 each year. **Our scholarship fund would quadruple from our usual \$30,000 in secured ETIC funds.** Additionally, your family members can designate their tax dollars to our school as well. We could now help **EVERY** family regardless of financial status.



FAQ



Can I contribute and then earmark the scholarship funds directly to my child or family member?

- No, designated funds to an individual is not allowed. However, we can guarantee that every family who applies for financial aid will receive something to help offset the cost of tuition regardless of financial status.

If I sign the pledge today, can I change my mind?

- Yes! We understand circumstances change. You can make adjustments until you make the contribution. You can decide to give less or even more! Once the contribution has been made, that is when you are committed.

FAQ



How do I determine my tax liability?

- Take your combined income found on your W2. Then multiply that number by .037. This number is approximately what you pay in state income taxes per year. You can then decide to leverage your contribution anywhere from \$1,000 up to your tax liability.

Can I give more than my tax liability?

- Yes! We encourage you to give as much as you are able; however, you are only eligible to receive the 90% tax credit for no more than your tax liability. Any contribution above your tax liability is simply a donation to our school.

FAQ



What if I am not eligible to participate?

- That's ok! This would not be a good fit for families that do not make a combined income of over \$35,000 per year. Your students will still be able to benefit from scholarship funds. We simply ask you to share this information with someone who can. Feel free to send this presentation to your family, friends, and small business owners. The more people who contribute, the more money we can give to help our families.

SHARE WITH EVERYONE!

LEARN ABOUT OUR PARTNERSHIP



PHASE 1:

- Increase EITC Funds
- Grow Enrollment

PHASE 2:

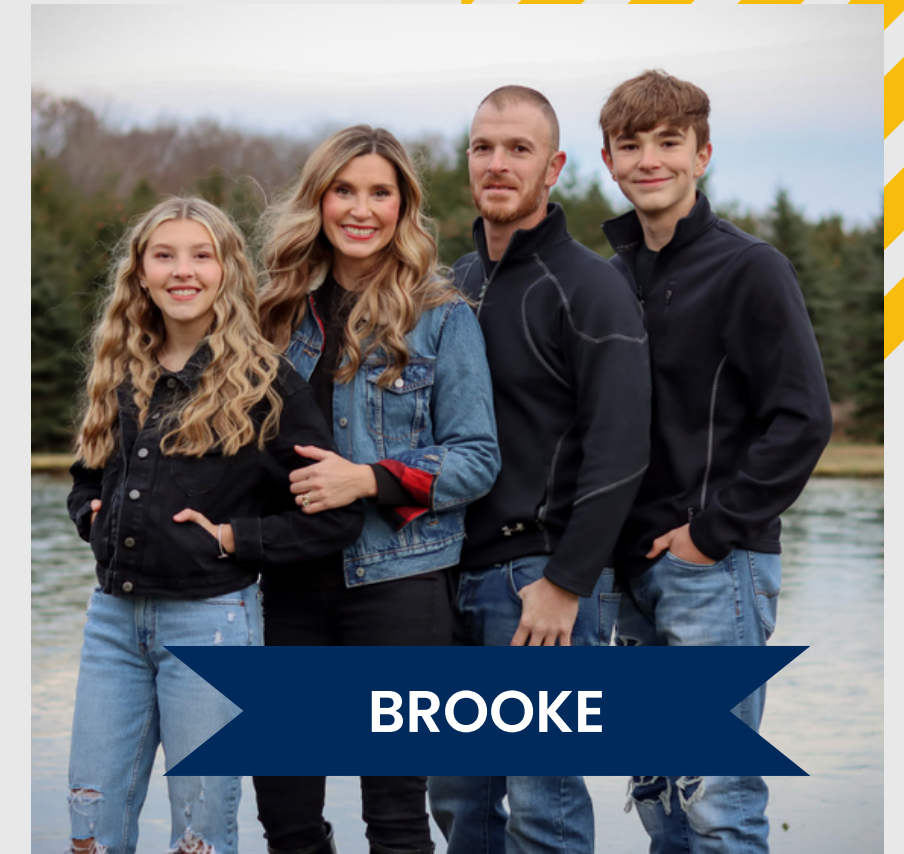
- Restructure Tuition
(at no additional costs to families)

PHASE 3:

- Use Scholarship Funds to Support **ALL** Families and Fund our Budget Gap



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RedefinED started with two moms on the same mission: to help schools help students!

RedefinED Advisors will assist Saint Andrew Catholic School carry out three phases over the course of the next two school years. They will do all the work, allowing us to focus on providing a quality education for your children.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact the expert team at RedefinED. They will be happy to assist you with your questions and help you get started.

OR

Call the school. Sylvia and Lindsay will be happy to answer questions.



Contact RedefinED
(814) 419-5505
info@redefiningeducation.org
redefiningeducation.org



Contact Saint Andrew Catholic School
(717) 762-3221
enrollnow@saintandrewschool.org
saintandrewschool.org



CONGRATS TO THE WINNERS!

\$250 Scholarship

-The Gorsuch/Luna/Showvaker Family

\$100 Scholarships

-The Ohler Family
-The Pagliario Family
-The Stansfield Family

Gift Cards

-The Hays Family
-The S. Grove Family
-The Marks Family
-The McKown/Sparks Family

4 Pack Dress Down Passes

-The Aldridge Family
-The Becerra Family
-The Beckner Family
-The Bidle/Carlson Family
-The Bonner Family
-The Lourdon Family
-The Moyer Family
-The Tylicki Family



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGE!

The Blades Family
The Bonner Family
The Cartwright/Winkler
Family
The Clement Family
The Krinks Family
The Lourdon Family
The Luna Family
The Mathews Family

The McKown Family
The Moyer Family
The Pagliaro Family
The Salmon Family
The Skehan Family
The Stansfield Family
The Swiderski Family
The Tylicki Family

\$41,600.00
in pledges as of
6/10/22

In 24 hours we
were able to raise
almost as much
as HSO and RFE
combined for the
21-22 school year!

It required hardly
any effort and zero
time put in by
parents and staff!

