

Purpose and Organization

- The Jefferson Trust was founded by the Alumni Association of the University of Virginia in 2006 to promote excellence by providing catalytic support to the University community for initiatives in pursuit of Jeffersonian ideals.
- As an agile, unrestricted resource for the University of Virginia community, the Trust supports new projects advocated by students, faculty, University leadership, and organizations.
- There are no prescribed limits on the amount of grants; some proposals receive partial funding.
- The Trust *does not* provide budget relief for existing programs.
- Contributions to the Jefferson Trust from alumni, parents and friends are counted as part of University giving societies and credited toward class gifts, if made during the reunion year.
- Donors making gifts of \$100,000+ are given the opportunity of sitting on the board of trustees, and making all decisions re grant selection, oversight, and mentoring of grant recipients.

Grant Activity (2006-2018)

- Total number of grants awarded: 179
- Total funds distributed: \$7,086,119 (between \$296,821 to \$777,000 each year)
- Grant range: \$2,500 to \$100,000; with 40% of approved grants ranging from \$20,000 to \$50,000
- Average grant size: \$37,827
- Grants have been awarded to students, faculty and leadership from all schools and many different organizations, centers, and areas.
- Grants that have received funds fall into one or more of the following general categories:
 - Bricks & Mortar (8)
 - Arts (71)
 - Science/ Technology (75)
 - Community Relations (38)
 - Global (20)
 - Student life/experience (135)
 - Faculty Excellence (19)
 - Pan University (58)
- The governing board currently has 57 Trustees represent 28 graduating classes ranging from 1963 to 2015.

Information about previous grant awards, grant guidelines, and how to support The Jefferson Trust can be found on the University of Virginia Alumni Association website or at: www.jeffersontrust.org.

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