

Section 1. Organizational Information

Organization Name

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

Authorized Officer for this Grant

Individual's Email Address

Individual's Title

Individual's Phone Number

Have the grant funds been fully expended?

Yes

No

If "No," stop here and contact The Joanna Foundation for consultation.

Section 2. Grant Summary

Start Date (date on p.1 - mm/dd/yyyy)

Grant Amount

Project Title

Overall Purpose (select one)

Operating support

Matching funds

Administrative/technical support

Capital campaign

Seed money/startup funds

Facilities/equipment

Specific project/program

(insert title or one sentence summary below)

Were major changes made to the project after the grant was received?

Yes

No

If "Yes," please explain why and summarize the changes as part of your Summary of Impact.

Section 3. Summary of Impact

Separately, using software of your choice, write a concise summary of how the grant helped achieve the objective of the request. For example, you may mention activities to date, progress toward milestones, participation by volunteers, partners or audience members, and/or significant achievements. You may use metrics to show change or anecdotal examples to illustrate impact. You may use bullets or lists. Describe the difference that The Joanna Foundation grant made to your organization in this time frame. We recommend one page of text or less. You may add items that showcase your work, such as a photo, graphic, chart, media article, testimonial, or link to a short video.

When you are satisfied with your draft, save your Summary of Impact in pdf format, attach any additions, insert your material after this page, and submit the combined file (consisting of this 2-pg form + your materials) as a single pdf file.

Summary of Impact Student DREAMers Alliance — Charleston Expansion Hispanic Alliance

2023 Joanna Foundation Grant Report

With support from The Joanna Foundation, Hispanic Alliance completed its second full program year of the Student DREAMers Alliance (SDA) at R.B. Stall High School in North Charleston, South Carolina during the 23/24 program year. The \$2,000 award was directed toward three interconnected priorities: strengthening recruitment of Charleston-area students, refining curriculum delivery for the Lowcountry context, and launching a mentorship component specifically designed to support the Charleston cohort.

Twenty-four students enrolled in and completed the full program year. These students, the majority of whom are first-generation college-bound and from low-income households, participated in a full academic year of leadership seminars, values-based discussions, a Community Service Day, workshops, and retreats. Pre- and post-program assessments were used to measure growth in self-confidence, leadership capacity, and college readiness throughout the year.

The launch of a mentorship component was among the most meaningful developments of this grant period. In the Lowcountry, Hispanic Alliance matched 8 of the 24 students with mentors, creating structured relationships designed to extend the program's impact beyond the classroom and into students' broader personal and professional development.

The partnership with R.B. Stall High School deepened meaningfully during this program year. Claudia Newbern, former RB Stall High School Assistant Principal and founder of the school's Newcomer Center, a program serving multilingual learners who are new to the country, attended every SDA session alongside students. Her firsthand perspective speaks to what this investment made possible. "The SDA program was a great success last year, and I had the privilege to go with the students to all the sessions. I could connect with kids I wouldn't see otherwise. This program has the potential to change these kids' futures."

Hispanic Alliance is grateful for The Joanna Foundation's early confidence in the Charleston expansion. That investment helped turn a promising first year into a program that a school administrator was willing to show up for, every single session, because she believed it was changing her students' futures. The relationships built with R.B. Stall, the mentors recruited to serve Charleston students, and the curriculum adaptations made during this year position the program for continued growth. As of October 2024, the end of the grant period, across both Greenville and Charleston, SDA has now supported 243 Fellows and awarded \$89,000 in scholarships and supplemental assistance.