

*INDIVIDUALS, COMPANIES AND FOUNDATIONS seeking to make a difference in their communities by helping those most affected by economic adversity and racial injustice, can be assured their donations will address these important issues and be directed toward those most in need. Tri-County provides the opportunity for companies to implement their priorities of corporate social responsibility.*

**SINCE 1981 TRI-COUNTY** has addressed the striking education disparities and related racial inequalities experienced by inner-city and other poverty-stricken New Jersey children, by providing K-12th grade scholarships to better, safer, accredited independent schools.

- **85% of Tri-County students are racial and ethnic minorities.** Our students are a cross section of the communities in which they live: 19% African American and 56% Hispanic.
- **Tri-County breaks the cycle of generational poverty.** The majority of students come from inner-city, single parent homes with an average household income of \$34,500.
- **Tri-County has a continued commitment to diversity representation on its Board of Trustees;** diversity that enhances insights and the execution of its mission.



**A SAFE, QUALITY EDUCATION** is the best bridge to economic opportunity and social mobility for children in impoverished urban neighborhoods. **Providing access to a quality education WORKS:**

- **100% of our scholarship students graduate from high school,** versus the 50% graduation rate that is typical of New Jersey's inner-city public high schools.
- **Nearly all Tri-County students go on to college and are typically the first in their families to do so.** They achieve successful careers, and go on to give back to their communities.
- **Since 1981 Tri-County has provided over 37,000 scholarships, totaling over \$40 million.** Through access to a safe, quality, independent education, these children have been given hope and opportunity. With this education, their lives are no longer pre-determined by their zip code, poverty, family situation or race.

#### EMERGENCY SUPPORT WHEN NEEDED:

- **For Ukrainian refugee children** who escaped with their mothers to the US, and landed in New Jersey: Since 2022 Tri-County has awarded emergency scholarships to these children impacted by war, to attend partner school, St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School in Passaic, where they are able to continue their educations and feel safe in a nurturing, familiar environment.
- **The impact of COVID:** Tri-County scholarship recipients were disproportionately impacted by the COVID crisis; 80% lost jobs and small businesses. Tri-County answered the need of these families by committing an additional \$500,000 in emergency scholarships to families especially impacted by the COVID crisis, as they worked hard to get back on their feet.



**“Tri-County was a springboard for me to achieve my goals and live out my dream of becoming a doctor.”**

Dr. Rab Razzak  
Tri-County Scholarship Recipient  
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