

# FRIEND TO FRIEND

## INSIDER TIPS TO MAXIMIZE YOUR IMPACT WITH UNRESTRICTED FUNDS



### Unrestricted funds at Saint Paul College

By providing unrestricted support, you partner with Saint Paul College to address the ever-changing needs of our students. These funds allow us to allocate resources strategically, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed. In a world of constant change, your unrestricted gifts provide a steady foundation for student success.



### How to give

**Establish a Named Unrestricted Endowment:** Create a lasting legacy by establishing an endowment in your name or the name of someone you wish to honor. This provides ongoing support for Saint Paul College to meet its most urgent needs. Contact one of our team members to learn more.

**Give to an Existing Fund:** Make an immediate impact by donating to an existing unrestricted fund. Your gift will be used where it's needed most, ensuring that Saint Paul College continues to provide an exceptional education for all.

### What are unrestricted funds?

These are gifts made with trust and without stipulations – you believe in our mission and empower us to use your donation where it's needed most. This incredible flexibility allows us to respond to the ever-changing needs of the college, from essential operating costs to innovative programs.



# Unrestricted gifts are investments in the lives of our students and the future of our community. Here's how your support makes a tangible difference:

## Funding Scholarships

Unrestricted donations allow us to provide scholarships with more flexibility, meaning we can:

- **Keep up with the changing needs of our students:** As demographics shift and new challenges arise, we can adapt our scholarship programs to ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed.
- **Address gaps in financial aid:** We can direct scholarships to students that may not have access to traditional forms of financial aid.
- **Respond to emerging needs:** We can quickly create new scholarships to support students facing unforeseen hardships.

## Addressing Basic Needs and Emergencies

For many students, the cost of attending college extends beyond tuition and fees. Unforeseen circumstances, such as medical emergencies, housing instability, food insecurity, and family crises, can derail their education. These funds provide crucial support by:

- **Covering essential expenses:** Helping students with rent, transportation, childcare, groceries, and healthcare.
- **Providing emergency aid:** Offering a aid during unexpected hardships and preventing students from having to stop out or delay their education.
- **Stocking the campus food pantry:** Ensuring that students have access to nutritious food, even when facing financial difficulties.



## Assisting with Books, Equipment, and Supplies

The cost of textbooks and other academic materials can be a significant barrier to student success. Unrestricted funds help alleviate this burden by:

- **Providing books:** Ensuring students have the necessary materials to succeed in their courses.
- **Supplementing equipment costs:** Helping students in programs with costly equipment requirements, such as tools for skilled trades.
- **Offering financial assistance for supplies:** Providing direct support for essential supplies like art materials, lab notebooks, or software.



## Unrestricted support has a ripple effect.

It allows our students to focus on their studies, leading to improved academic performance and increased retention. These funds help students stay on track, graduate, and achieve their dreams by providing access to scholarships, essential resources, and enriching experiences that broaden their horizons and prepare them for success

## Let's be friends!

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Visit <https://www.saintpaul.edu/givenow/> to learn more and give online.

