



2025 Annual Report

Jennifer Tufts, PhD - President

About Us

The NHCA Scholarship Foundation is a tax-exempt organization (501c3) providing scholarship awards to graduate students focusing on applied/practical studies in hearing loss prevention/hearing conservation who are enrolled at regionally accredited institutions/agencies. The Foundation fulfills this mission by awarding **Student Research Awards** and **Student Conference Awards**.

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President's Message

The NHCA Scholarship Foundation is a tiny organization with an outsized impact, supporting graduate-student research and welcoming graduate students to the NHCA conference year after year. The students are our raison d'être, of course, but the generosity of our donors and the dedication of our volunteers is what keeps us going.

It has been my pleasure to serve the Foundation as Director, President-Elect, and President over the past several years. As I step off the board, I would like to offer warm thanks to our management firm, Civica, and to everyone I have served with. I would like to especially recognize Lynnette Bardolf, Susan Cooper, Christian Giguere, Marjorie Grantham, and Jim Jerome, all of whom went above and beyond for the Foundation.

I leave the Foundation in good hands and look forward to meeting next year's scholarship awardees.

Jennifer Tufts
NHCASF President



Student Research Awards

Supports graduate student research in hearing loss prevention with:

\$1,000 for eligible research expenses

Paid registration and up to \$1,000 reimbursement for travel expenses to present the funded research at NHCA annual conference

Applications due in Spring

Student Conference Awards

Supports graduate-student attendance at the NHCA annual conference with:

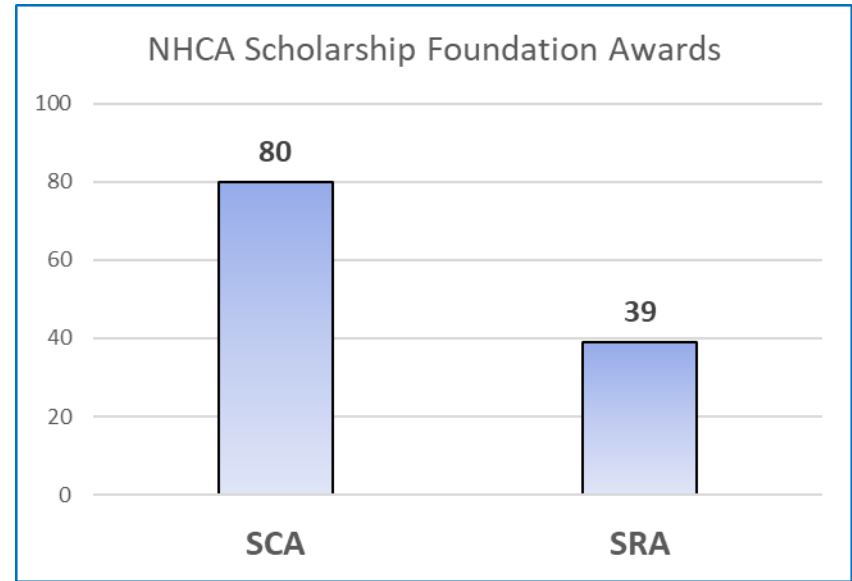
Up to \$1,000 reimbursement for conference travel expenses

Paid conference registration

Applications due in Fall

Awards

- The Foundation has been awarding scholarships since 2003
- Student Conference Awards: 80 to date
- Student Research Awards: 39 to date
- Total to date: **119** scholarships



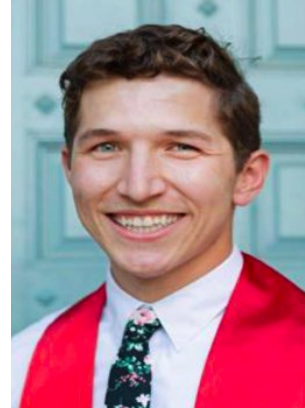
2025 Student Conference Awards (SCA)

- Britney Ball, Auburn University
- Sina Buchholz, Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg
- Alexa Koliass, University of Connecticut
- Fatma Nur Komur, University of Michigan
- Hannah Miller, Idaho State University
- Blake Voss, University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point

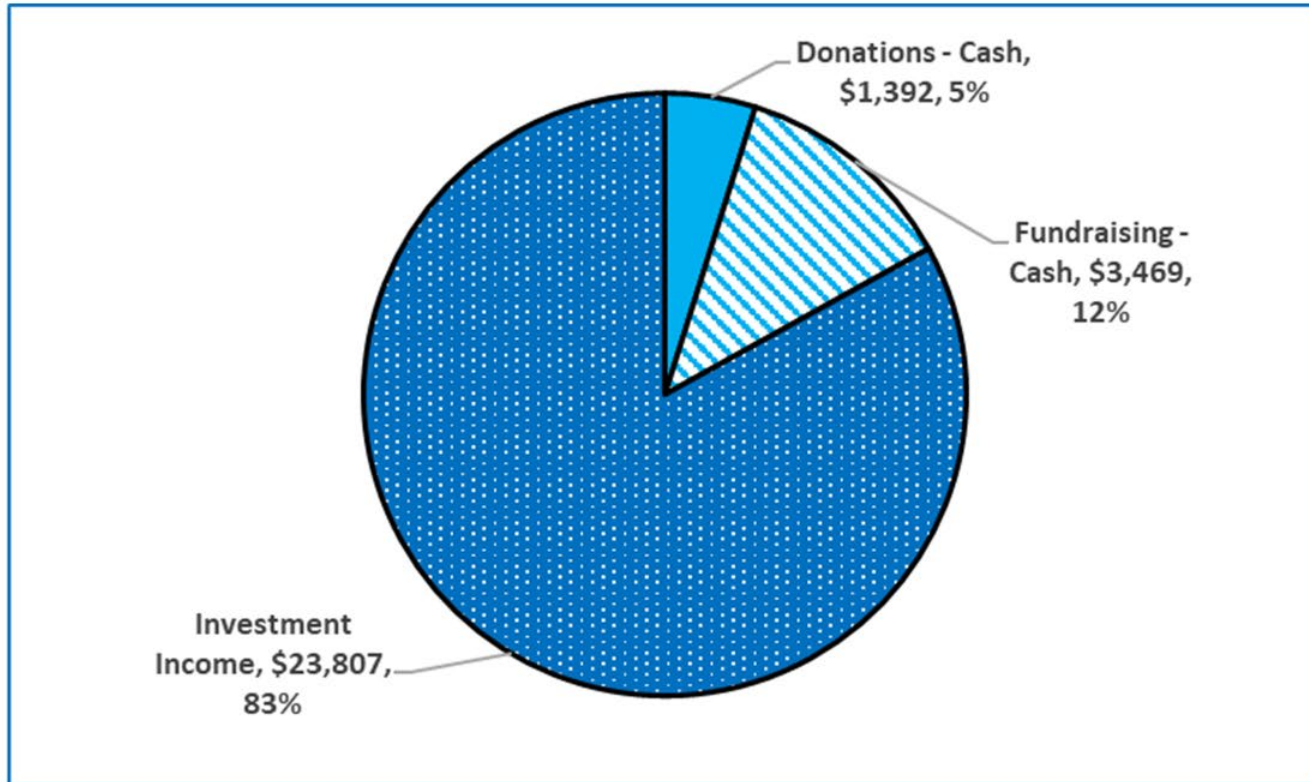
2024 Student Research Awards (SRA)

Presenting their research at the 2025 NHCA annual conference

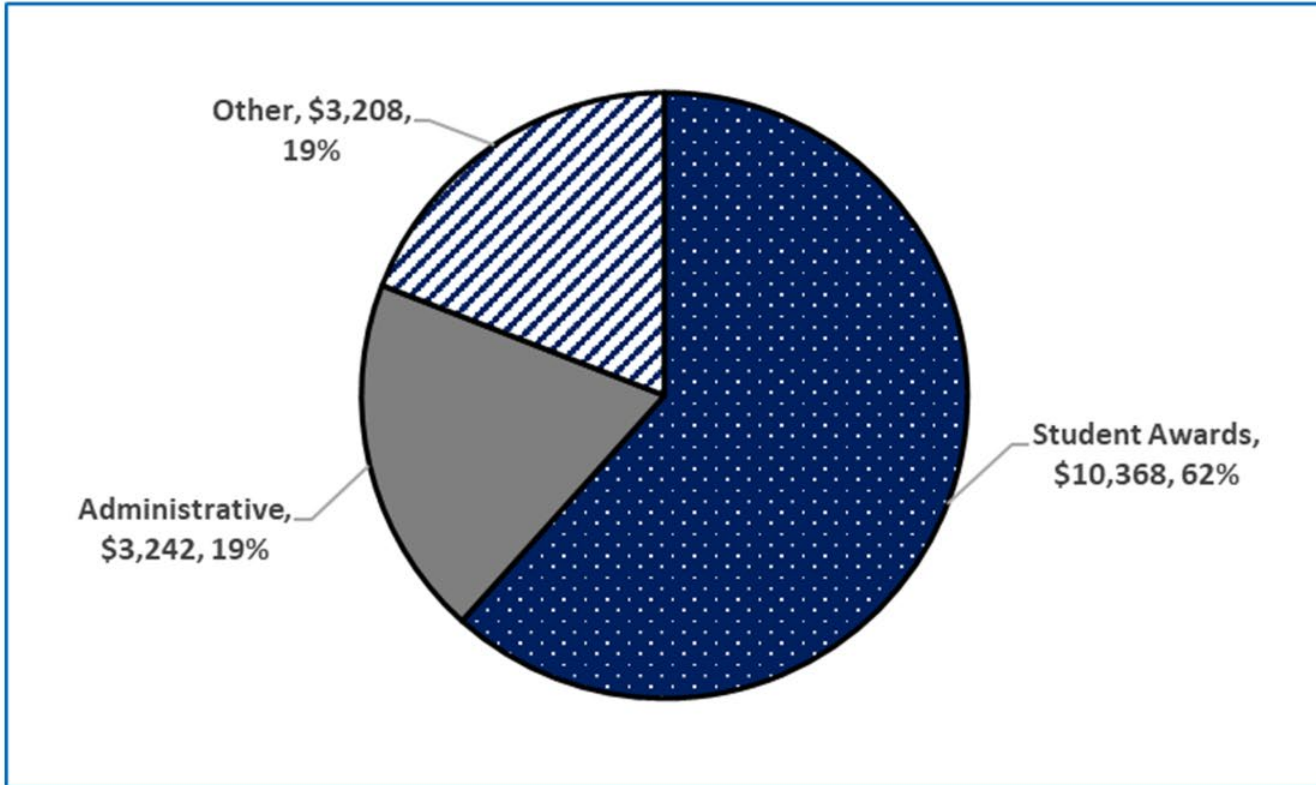
- Conner Jansen
- Samantha Rodriguez



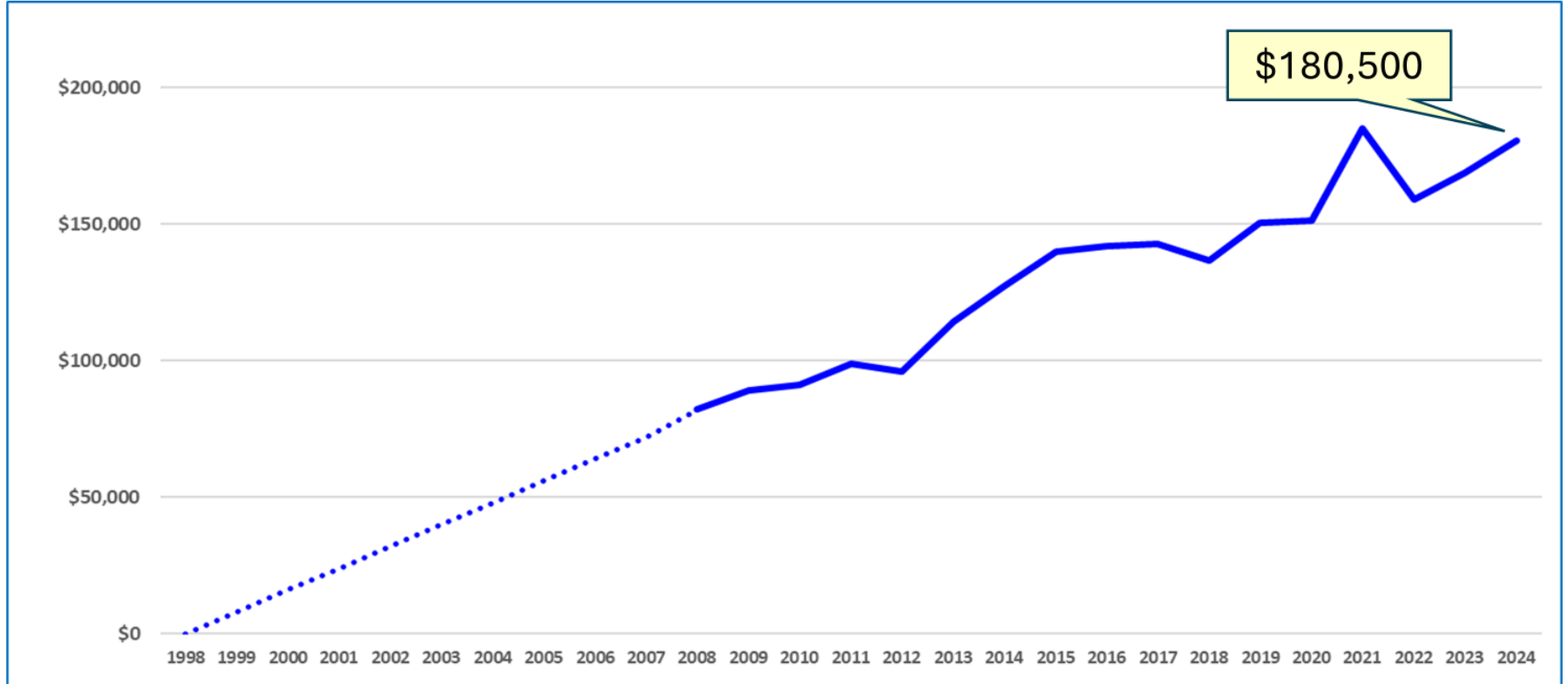
Financials – INCOME FY 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)



Financials – EXPENSE FY 2024 (July 1, '23 – June 30, 2024)



Financials – ASSETS (Value as of June 30, 2024)



Opportunities to Contribute

- Donate at conference – silent auction & other fun
- Donate any time online at <https://www.hearingconservation.org/donate>
- Volunteer!



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(Cash and checks also accepted at conference registration desk)

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