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Dear Friends,

As we near the end of 2023, I hope you are able to find time to reflect on the growth, changes, and joys that the year bestowed upon you, your family, and friends. The holiday season arrived at 1717 W. Allegheny Avenue, and our campus swiftly transformed! Our Dia de Los Muertos ofrenda, created by our LatinX Student Organization and incredible Art Department, was replaced by our Advent Wreath, Christmas Trees, and twinkling lights.

In addition to our normal holiday festivities, we had a campus visit from several amazing speakers during *Mission Moments: The Power of a Cristo Rey Education*, earlier this month. JoAnn Chavez, a member of the Cristo Rey Network Board of Trustees and Chief Legal Counsel for DTE Energy in Michigan, joined us to share her story of how education allowed her to become the first college graduate in her family after 138 years in the United States. We heard additional stories from Independence Blue Cross' Crystal Ashby and Christina Gabriel, mother of alums Brooklyn '16 and Isaiah '18, both of whom have graduated college and are now pursuing their Masters Degrees. We are very proud of *The Power of a Cristo Rey Education* and are grateful for your partnership in building pathways for our students.

You will see many of the moments you have helped to create in the pages of our [2023 Impact Report](#), attached below. They say that good fortune comes when preparation meets opportunity. Our Impact Report highlights how our incredibly dedicated students, with the support of our faculty, staff, Work-Study Partners, and other supporters, take advantage of the opportunities they have to create their own good fortune. You will also find the Horizons at Cristo Rey [Summer 2023 Impact Report](#), showcasing the growth of the youngest members of our community.

Please read on regarding an important update on ways to support by redirecting your state tax dollars to our mission. On behalf of all of us at Cristo Rey Philadelphia, I wish you and your families the magic that only comes with the holiday season.

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

Tom Shoemaker
President & CEO



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Make A Gift

Year after year, Cristo Rey Philadelphia benefits greatly from the Educational Improvement and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit Programs provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Recently, the state approved an unprecedented \$150 million in additional funding to help make education affordable and accessible for our young people. To take advantage of this initiative or to obtain more information, please reach out to Kate Reilly, Director of Advancement, at kreilly@crphs.org.

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