



UNIVERSITY
CHRISTIAN
HIGH SCHOOL
HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL REPORT

2024 - 2025



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LETTER FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear University Christian Community,

I would like to take this time to thank all of our families, alumni, alumni parents, faculty and staff, community partners and Board members for your generosity and support during last year's Annual Fund campaign. We're excited to keep the fun going with events like Party with a Purpose and our March Madness game - great ways to bring our community together while supporting the Annual Fund in a more engaging and connected way! This past year's efforts contributed to approximately 7% of our annual budget. The funds raised this past year went towards a number of factors:

- Continued support for our outstanding faculty and staff.
- Maintenance and upkeep of automated security doors at both North and South Campuses.
- Support of Athletic programs through the purchase of new uniforms, equipment, and transportation maintenance.
- Facilitate professional development opportunities for faculty through programs such as the Advanced Placement Summer Institute and Foreign Language Association of North Carolina.
- Continued logistical support for numerous clubs and activities such as Envirothon, Model United Nations, Student Council and others.
- Enabling students to participate in Dual Enrollment opportunities via Appalachian State University and Lenoir Rhyne University.

We deeply appreciate that, in these uncertain economic times, your generous support of University Christian High School comes with real sacrifice. With rising costs affecting nearly every aspect of running the school, your contribution does far more than help cover expenses - it sustains our mission. Because of your commitment, we are able to continue providing an exceptional, Christ-centered education that nurtures both the minds and spirits of our students. Your generosity ensures that your children, and all students at UCHS, have access not only to outstanding academic opportunities but also to the kind of rich, meaningful high school experience that shapes them for life. Your partnership allows us to grow, to serve, and to remain faithful to our calling, even in challenging times.

We are grateful for the blessings you have bestowed on our school!



Colin Barrett
Principal

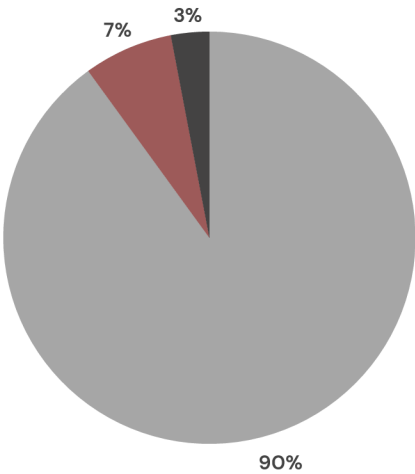


FINANCIALS

As you can see below, the University Christian Annual Fund contributes approximately 7% of our income. The funds raised are imperative to help our school grow and thrive while retaining an experienced and innovative teaching staff. Another important aspect of our finances is that students graduating with approximately 24 - 30 credit hours save almost \$28,000 dollars or more if they were to attend a North Carolina state school. The cost of these credit hours is included in University Christian's tuition. The Annual Fund helps defer those costs, providing an abundance of savings towards a student's college education.

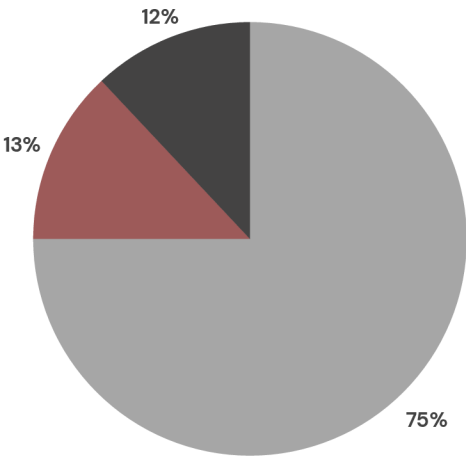
2024 - 2025 INCOME

- Tuition - 90%
- Annual Fund - 7%
- Other Charitable Contributions- 3%



2024 - 2025 EXPENSES

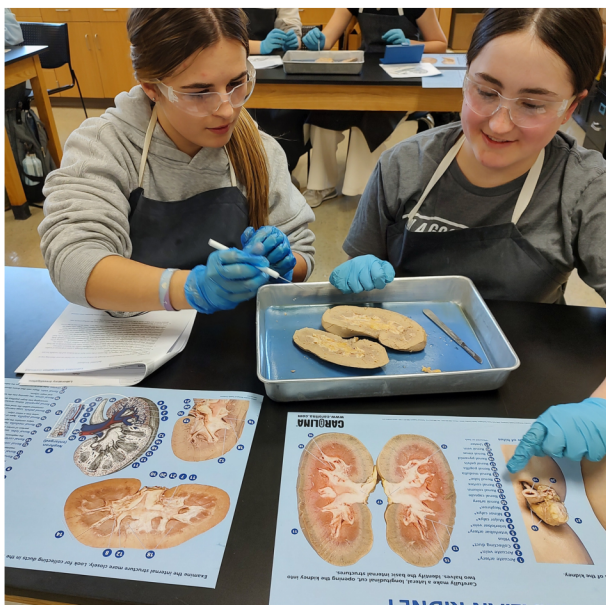
- Salaries & Benefits - 75%
- College Classes - 13%
- Classroom Materials - 12%
Programs, Activities



ANNUAL FUND GOAL \$80,000

ANNUAL FUND RAISED **\$97,513**

WE EXCEEDED
OUR GOAL !



LEARNING TO LEARN

Our academics aim to create generations of lifelong learners. Through engaging instruction and a desire to instill curiosity through critical thinking skills, our students graduate with more than basic academic knowledge. Students learn to question, analyze and formulate solutions to problems and inquiries.



PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

Many students walk in the door unsure of where they are going and what journey lies ahead. Barracudas gain exposure to a number of different paths through dual enrollment, excellent college counseling and encouragement to be inquisitive. By their junior year, many students begin to develop an idea of where they want to be and how they will contribute to society.



INSTILLING A SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Every week students give each other character awards as a way to build a sense of community and lift each other up. Transforming a culture takes deliberate actions and students at UC work hard to create a positive and empowering environment. We hope these efforts continue long after a student graduates in order to create a world we all want to live in.





SERVING AND LEADING

Barracudas carried out 5,947 Service Hours during the 2024-2025 school year. Our students are learning to serve others and lead by example. In John 13:15, Jesus says, "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." Students recognize that they have the ability to use their God given gifts to serve others and by leading these efforts, inspire others.



DISTILLING VIRTUE

Every year students sign an Honor Code as well as regularly attend Chapel. Morning Community reinforces a development of a moral compass as we discuss scripture, life events and other topics that give us examples of fortitude. The habits we build as high school students continue into college and beyond. This makes what we do at University Christian integral to creating virtuous individuals.



Regardless of the amount, our supporters show a belief in the mission, vision, and leadership of UCHS.

Every dollar and every donor makes a difference.

We are grateful for their support!

THANK YOU
for your support

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