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**Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) Announces Annual Gala 2018**

Remarks to be given by Former US Senator Hank Brown

Denver, CO – [Denver Scholarship Foundation \(DSF\)](#) announces that its Annual Gala will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Hyatt Regency Denver at the Colorado Convention Center. The event cocktail reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by the dinner and program at 6:30 p.m. Presented by Patty and Mike Starzer, DSF's Annual Gala is set to raise \$1.2 million dollars in support of making college possible for thousands of Denver Public Schools' (DPS) students. The evening will highlight inspirational stories of several of the organization's Scholars and featured remarks by Former US Senator Hank Brown.

"The Annual Gala is one of the best opportunities for the community to meet over 100 DSF Scholars," shares Lorii Rabinowitz, Chief Executive Officer for DSF. "Thanks to the support of the community through events such as the Annual Gala, DSF is able to provide over 1,800 college scholarships each school year. We are excited to join the business community together with Hank Brown. Brown's longstanding commitment to the state of Colorado and our education system provides unique context for his presentation on the role of education in revitalizing America."

DSF has changed the life trajectory of more than 6,300 Scholars since its founding in 2006. DSF's strategic investment in the community has provided \$36 million in scholarships to graduates of DPS who are enrolled in Colorado's universities, colleges, and technical schools. With a unique approach, that provides college counseling and support services beginning in high school and extending through college completion, DSF Scholars persist in their drive to graduate by a remarkable rate of 76%.

Linda Childears (President and CEO of the Daniels Fund), Don Childears (President and CEO of Colorado Bankers Association), Luis Colón (Chief Development Officer at Mile High United Way, Inc.) and Toti Cadavid (President and Transformation Strategist at U-Fulfilled) will chair this year's event. All proceeds from the Annual Gala will benefit DSF and its mission to inspire and empower DPS students to achieve their college and career dreams.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities and ticket availability, please call 303.951.4140, email [events@denverscholarship.org](mailto:events@denverscholarship.org), or visit [www.denverscholarship.org](http://www.denverscholarship.org).

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**About the Denver Scholarship Foundation**

Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) is a 501(c)(3) public charity whose mission is to inspire and empower Denver Public Schools' (DPS) students to achieve their college goals. A direct service provider, DSF provides college and financial aid advice to Denver students and families and offers a renewable, need-based scholarship to support Scholars throughout their college careers. DSF also partners with colleges across Colorado to implement retention strategies that help Denver students complete their college education. DSF aims to create systemic change to prepare Denver's youth to succeed in today's evolving workforce. For more information, [www.denverscholarship.org](http://www.denverscholarship.org) or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).