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Build Your Legacy: DSF's Fourth Annual Leadership Conference

WHO: Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) will welcome nearly 100 DSF

Scholars, and members of the community, including business leaders

together for the fourth annual leadership conference.

WHEN & WHERE: Friday, February 8, 2019 | 9am-3pm

Community College of Denver | Confluence Building

WHY: DSF makes college possible for thousands of Denver students each year.

The DSF Leadership Conference, Build Your Legacy, will empower

students served by the Denver Scholarship Foundation, by providing tools

and knowledge for their personal growth as leaders. This year's conference title is "Build Your Legacy," and sessions will focus on providing students authentic, inspirational, and transparent tools and

knowledge to build their legacy as leaders.

Highlights about Denver Scholarship Foundation:

- DSF awarded more than \$5.2 million in scholarships in the 2017-2018 school year; \$38 million since our founding in 2006.
- DSF awarded 1,834 scholarships in the 2017-18 school year; 6,376 since our founding in 2006.
- 74% of our Scholars are First Generation College Students (First Gen).
- 90% of our Scholars are students of color.
- 100% of our Scholars grew up in limited income (low income) households.
- 78% of our Scholars are persisting or have already graduated.
- Using our scholarship as leverage, DSF has secured over \$447 million in additional financial aid and scholarships for our Scholars.
- In the 2017-18 academic year, the Named Scholarship program funded 237 DSF Scholars.
 - Collectively 40 companies, businesses, community groups and individuals came together to establish a Named Scholarship at DSF.
 - The top five degrees pursued by Named Scholarship Scholars were in Biology, Business, Computer Science, Engineering and Political Science.
 - The highest enrollment rate for Named Scholarship Scholars were at Colorado State University, Metropolitan State University of Denver, University of Colorado Boulder, University of Colorado Denver and University of Denver.

AGENDA:

8:30 am to 9:00 am – Check-In & Continental Breakfast 9:00 am to 9:30 am – Opening Remarks & Activity 9:30 am to 10:15 am – Morning Breakout Sessions

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10:20 am to 11:00 am – Plenary Session, <u>Dr. Ryan E. Ross</u>
11:00 am to 12:00 pm – Career Fair
12:00 pm to 1:30 pm – Lunch & Keynote Speaker, <u>Meshach Rhoades</u>
1:45 pm to 2:30 pm – <u>Afternoon Breakout Sessions</u>
2:30 pm to 3:00 pm – Closing Remarks
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Media are invited to attend all portions of the event and are asked to RSVP to Latia Henderson (lhenderson@denverscholarship.org).

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 or connect with us on Facebook or Twitter.