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The Ball Foundation makes College Possible through scholarships and mentorship program

Denver, Colo. – The Ball Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Ball Corporation, is partnering with the Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) to help Denver Public Schools' (DPS) graduates realize their dreams as future engineers, plant managers, and information systems officers through scholarships and a mentorship program with a gift of \$75,000 to DSF.

Entering the seventh year of their partnership, DSF and Ball will support 25 DSF Scholars pursuing a STEM-related bachelor's degree by mentoring the Scholars, giving them opportunities to explore STEM-related concepts and developing a passion to pursue a job in a STEM field. With the addition of its most recent gift, Ball has invested over \$300,000 in scholarship dollars to aid DSF Scholars in enrolling in colleges in Colorado.

"Growing a workforce that can meet the challenges of the science, technology, math, and engineering industries of tomorrow is a concern for all of us in these industries and Ball wants to support and take an active role in cultivating our future employees and business leaders," said Chris Chavez, executive director of The Ball Foundation.

DSF makes college possible. Through its three step DSF model of college access, scholarship, and college success, more than \$5 million in scholarships were awarded in the 2017-2018 school year; \$38 million since its founding in 2006. The demographics of DSF Scholars are among the most under-represented in college, as 74% are the first in their families to pursue a college education. Partnerships like this make it possible for DSF to provide critical services to all its Scholars to ensure they have the right support need to persist and graduate from college.

"We are so proud to partner with The Ball Foundation to help students from Denver go on to exciting careers in the STEM field," said DSF CEO Lorii Rabinowitz. "Through its financial investment, as well as the time and talent of its employees, Ball will help Denver students imagine themselves working in the STEM industry. From there we work closely together to provide students with the scholarships and support services they need to make these dreams reality."

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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 or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

About The Ball Foundation

The Ball Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Ball Corporation. Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations to fund programs that create a positive, measurable impact in four key areas linked to Ball's business and strategy, including: recycling, disaster relief, food security and STEM education.

About Ball Corporation

Ball Corporation supplies innovative, sustainable packaging solutions for beverage, personal care and household products customers, as well as aerospace and other technologies and services primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ 17,500 people worldwide and 2017 net sales were \$11 billion. For more information, visit www.ball.com, or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).