



2017 Impact Report
Inspire. Engage. Empower.

“The Traveling School has given me the courage to be an independent and capable woman in this world.

Emily, Traveling School Alumna



Dear Friends,

15 years ago, The Traveling School pioneered the idea of an international semester program for high school girls. The only semester program to travel to southern Africa and South America, many people said we couldn't succeed. Those first courageous young women stretched themselves, left their comfortable lives and set out on an epic adventure.

Rather than failure, we saw resounding success – our students experienced lessons first-hand from the people they met and the world around them. They returned home critical thinkers who were globally aware and confident. They brought back leadership skills to infuse into their campuses and hometowns.

You have made it possible for The Traveling School to remain committed to our roots. Our steadfast focus continues to emphasize: providing high school girls a space for transformative growth; offering small and rigorous classes taught by strong female role models; building relationships; and developing globally aware and community minded female leaders.

15 years from now, with your support, we will continue to be a consistent program that provides a life changing education for our students. By then our alumnae will count 800 strong. We will stay engaged deeply in communities overseas. We'll still focus on empowering young women and creating global citizens. And, you can help us continue to provide financial aid commensurate with the demonstrated need of a more diverse and inclusive student body.

With your help, The Traveling School will continue to stay small and think BIG!



Jf Royall

Jennifer Royall, Executive Director & Head of School
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The question is not whether The Traveling School is worth every penny. The question is: who will be able to attend and who won't?



Funding Future Female Leaders

Because of YOU

10 students were awarded financial aid this year

2014
2015 **\$58,739**

2015
2016 **\$79,300**

2016
2017 **\$91,500**

\$735,189 awarded by you in the past 15 years

“The Traveling School is the epitome of all the values and benefits of experiential education. I'm proud to be a donor to The Traveling School because they've proven to be a leader in educating young women and inspiring them to get out there in the world and make memorable contributions.

Rick, Traveling School Donor



From TTS1 to TTS30

A Legacy of Leadership through Giving



Laura Hannah

30 Year Old - TTS1: 2002 South America,

TTS4: 2004 Southwest Africa

Hometown: Concord, NC

Education: Warren Wilson College

Career: Project Engineer, Lomax Tile & Marble, Inc.

Future Aspirations: "I can do ANYTHING!"

“The Traveling School still influences my everyday decisions. It made me become stronger, healthier, more conscious of the world. It taught me to be open to new things and flexible.

I donated to Ra'Gene because she seemed like a really cool smart girl who wanted to attend The Traveling School, and was really going to get something out of it.

**These kinds of opportunities
should be available to everyone.**

I hope Ra'Gene gets a worldview she can take back home. And also that there are endless opportunities in the world. A lot of success comes from knowing that opportunities are there.

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“It takes groups like The Traveling School and its generous donors - it takes people to help.

Ra'Gene Parker

18 Year Old - TTS30: 2017 Southern Africa

Hometown: New Orleans, LA

Education: International High School of New Orleans,
Bard Early College

Higher Education Aspirations: Boston Univ.,
Univ. of San Diego, Bard College

Career Aspirations: She could do ANYTHING!

I hope this semester brings out a better understanding of who I am and how I want to live my life.

Where I'm from, everyone is struggling. It's so easy to get stuck. Then it goes on for generations.

My Traveling School classmates are all so smart. We have all these different backgrounds and ideologies. Once you strip away different values and political beliefs, the differences aren't important—the individual is.

That's why The Traveling School must open up to a wider range of girls, perspectives, ideas and personalities, to girls from different races, ethnicities and socio-economic backgrounds. □





“Before this semester, learning seemed like an obligation but now I truly see how it can transform the way I think and act. I have grown more as an individual this semester than ever before in my lifetime, and I do not think I could ever repay those who have allowed me to do so. Thank you!

Reeves, Traveling School Alumna

What does 15 years of The Traveling School look like?

Exploring the globe for:

30

semesters

450

weeks

3,150

days



353

Minds opened through
transformative education



706

Eyes widened by
awe-inspiring landscapes



3,375

Hours spent
studying by headlamp

Global Studies
reflection essays crafted

158,850



Glorious sunrises
experienced at Machu
Picchu's Sun Gate

134



Vertical feet climbed in
Bolivia's Cordillera Real

720,006



Science journal
entries created during
wildlife safaris

11,940

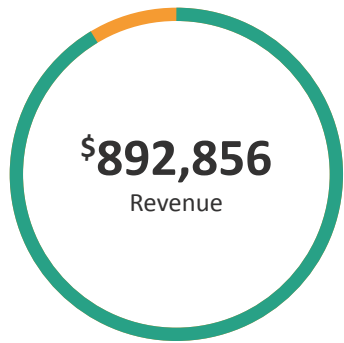


Hearts touched by
meaningful connections

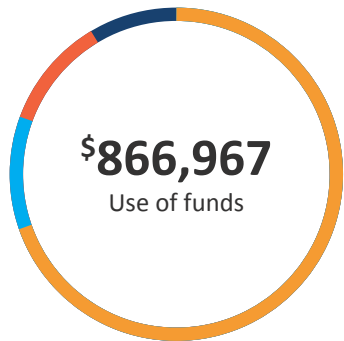
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Financial Highlights of 2016-2017



- **\$819,555** Tuition & Fees
- **\$73,301** Individual Gifts & Foundation Grants



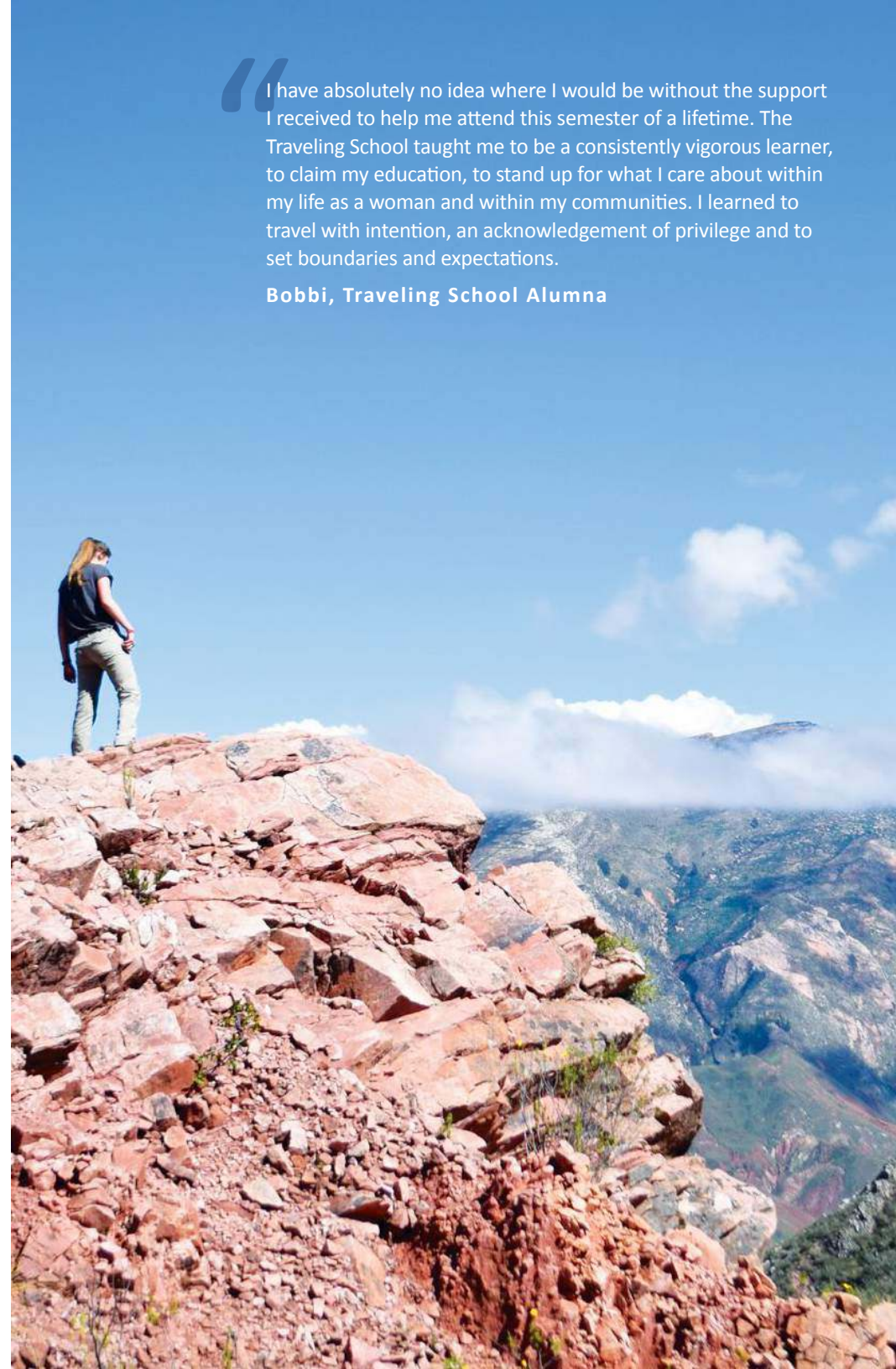
- **70%** **\$609,458** Program
- **10.5%** **\$91,500** Financial Aid
- **11.5%** **\$97,781** Development
- **8%** **\$68,228** Operations

Data Reflects Figures From July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

We are committed to financial transparency. Full financial statements are available at travelingschool.com.

“I have absolutely no idea where I would be without the support I received to help me attend this semester of a lifetime. The Traveling School taught me to be a consistently vigorous learner, to claim my education, to stand up for what I care about within my life as a woman and within my communities. I learned to travel with intention, an acknowledgement of privilege and to set boundaries and expectations.

Bobbi, Traveling School Alumna



When you give, they thrive.

100% of donations went
directly to financial aid

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44 gifts from
alumnae
\$142,057
raised in 3 completed
campaigns since 2015

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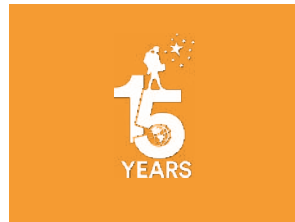
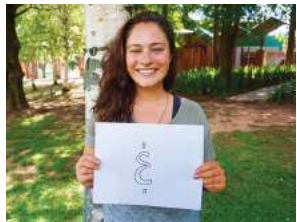
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one girl at a time