# **About CSF and its Network of Partner Programs**



The Children's Scholarship Fund (CSF) was founded in 1998 by the late Ted Forstmann and John Walton to empower parents to choose how their children are educated, regardless of their income or zip code.

In addition to directly providing privately-funded scholarships in New York and managing school choice programs in New Hampshire, CSF provides matching grants for scholarships and program support to its growing network of partner programs across the country, which offer scholarships and, in some cases, run education tax credit and education savings account programs. CSF also convenes its partner

programs regularly for updates on all aspects of education freedom and nonprofit management, and offers the opportunity for these independent scholarship-granting organizations to learn from one another. CSF regularly provides guidance and shares our expertise with private organizations and state government agencies involved in expanding education freedom.

CSF partner programs operate under several models:

- Stand-alone 501c3 organizations: The majority of CSF partner programs are scholarship-granting organizations operating under their own governing boards. They receive grants and other support from CSF, and receive additional benefits through being part of the CSF network of programs nationwide.
- Programs within existing 501c3 organizations: Some CSF partners operate scholarship programs under an umbrella or parent organization in their state. For example, in Oregon, CSF-Oregon is a program of the Cascade Policy Institute, Oregon's State Policy Network affiliate.
- Programs operating under CSF's 501c3: CSF New York and CSF New Hampshire operate under CSF's 501c3.



# **Children's Scholarship Fund Partner Programs**

In addition to privately-funded scholarships, CSF and its partner programs are managing education tax credit scholarship and education savings account programs in Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Utah. \*See asterisks beneath website information for program type. The Arkansas, Louisiana, and Utah programs are run by ACE Scholarships, <a href="https://www.acescholarships.org">www.acescholarships.org</a>.

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