

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a grey t-shirt and black rubber boots, is kneeling on the grass and writing on a clipboard. A man with glasses and a light green t-shirt is kneeling next to her, looking at the clipboard. In the background, there is a blue and silver piece of equipment, possibly a water sampling device, and some papers on the grass. The scene is outdoors in a grassy area with trees in the background.

# Update on Your Impact

## DONORS FUEL SUCCESS

Montclair State University is a place of opportunity – where students gain excellence that changes the trajectories of their lives and where great minds and can-do attitudes serve communities for the greater good. Your support has helped Montclair thrive, fueling the great work being achieved across the University.

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# Investing in Success

Every day, thanks to donors like you, Montclair makes a difference in the lives of our students and in bettering our world. The University is committed to excellence and opportunity – rising to its important mission of serving as a catalyst for individuals to realize their greatest potential.

We are fully committed to our responsibility to provide a rigorous education to prepare students for the challenges ahead, and we take great pride in the education we offer. Increasingly, our excellence and impact are being recognized. *U.S. News & World Report* ranks Montclair at No. 12 in the country for social mobility. In the publication's best online programs rankings for 2025, seven

of our online graduate programs are among the nation's best, with our online Master of Arts in Educational Leadership at No. 14 nationally and No. 1 in New Jersey.

Montclair delivers affordability, high-quality programs, research output, hands-on learning, and an unwavering commitment to student success. By broadening access to exceptional learning opportunities, empowering students, furthering research and partnering for community well-being, we create a better future together. Thanks to the education you are helping us provide, students are using their Montclair education to be the change-makers the world needs.

## Highlights of Giving Impact

*Reflects gifts and commitments received by the Montclair State University Foundation between July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024.*

**\$12.3 MILLION** IN TOTAL GIVING



**\$3.36** MILLION secured in private grants – investing in Montclair's faculty, research and work



**\$7.0** MILLION in major gifts – propelling Montclair's mission and student success



**\$330,000** in planned gifts established – securing Montclair's future



**\$1.63** MILLION in annual giving – serving immediate needs and Montclair priorities

## CREATING IMPACT FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

**Current Needs:** Donor support of the Fund for Montclair State provides unrestricted giving to help the University meet current needs and best serve students today.

**Future Opportunities:** By investing in the future, donors who endow gifts create positive change year after year for generations to come. Endowment assets are invested, with a portion of the value of an endowed fund paid out to support the fund's purpose.



**\$124.5** MILLION

The Montclair State University Foundation portfolio value as of June 30, 2024



**4.25%**

Annual spending rate distribution for fiscal year 2024

*Spending rate management is guided by the Montclair State University Foundation on an annual basis with the objective of providing scholarships to current students while maintaining the long-term value of the endowment for future generations. The methodology is based on a 12-quarter rolling average.*

**Thank you for investing in Montclair's current and future success.**

## Core Support

### PRESIDENT'S CLUB

More than 400 donors are part of the President's Club, giving \$1,000 or more for the year, whose combined gifts last year totaled more than \$4.3 million.

### 1908 LOYALTY SOCIETY

Includes more than 2,000 donors who have given for two or more years.

### CARPE DIEM SOCIETY

Represents more than 170 donors committed to Montclair's future with legacy gifts.

The impact of donor generosity touches all areas of the University. Gifts to the University in the last fiscal year totaled more than \$12.3 million. From investing in scholarships, internships, research, campus programs and more, your gifts fuel the University's impact, progress and success. Your partnership makes great work possible.

# Promising Pathways



## **Chelsey Zuniga, Class of 2025**

### **Business Management major, concentration in Marketing**

*"Donor generosity has had a profound impact on my education and future. Scholarship support allowed me to focus on my studies without the overwhelming stress of financial burdens, helping me graduate a year early. This support has not only helped me during college, but has also set me on a strong path toward a successful career in marketing."*

*I love product marketing and the idea of working with amazing companies to make their business and brand known. I am especially drawn to the idea of working with innovative companies, developing campaigns that resonate with audiences, and driving brand growth through creative and data-driven approaches. Ultimately, I hope to work in an environment where I can contribute to a brand's success while continuously learning and growing as a marketing professional."*

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## **Tyrese Fletcher-Hewlett, Class of 2026**

### **Bloomfield College of Montclair State University, Creative Writing major, minor in Expanded Media**

*"Donors have played a crucial role in supporting my education, providing me with opportunities that have shaped both my academic journey and my future aspirations. Their generosity has allowed me to focus on my studies and creative pursuits without the overwhelming burden of financial stress. Without this assistance, balancing my academic and creative goals would have been much more challenging."*

*Beyond college, this support has given me the confidence and stability to continue pursuing my dreams of becoming a film director, photographer and publisher. It has reinforced my belief in the power of community and giving back – something I hope to do for future students one day."*

# Thank You for Investing in Montclair Excellence

Montclair was named as one of only 25 U.S. colleges and universities – the only New Jersey public institution – to receive the first Carnegie Leadership for Public Purpose classification, recognizing its commitment to campus-wide efforts to advance leadership in pursuit of public good.

In 2024, the University enrolled the largest entering class in the University's history three years in a row; the Class of 2028 joins the biggest returning student population to make up the highest total enrollment in the University's history.

The University offers more than 300 majors, minors, concentrations and certificate programs across 13 colleges and schools, serving:

- 23,546 total students
- 18,062 undergraduate students
- 4,508 graduate students

Your support of Montclair's mission fuels the University's progress, creating impact for students, communities and the world.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Visit [montclair.edu/giving](https://montclair.edu/giving) to see more ways your support makes an impact.

To learn more about philanthropic and volunteer opportunities to expand your impact, please contact:

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