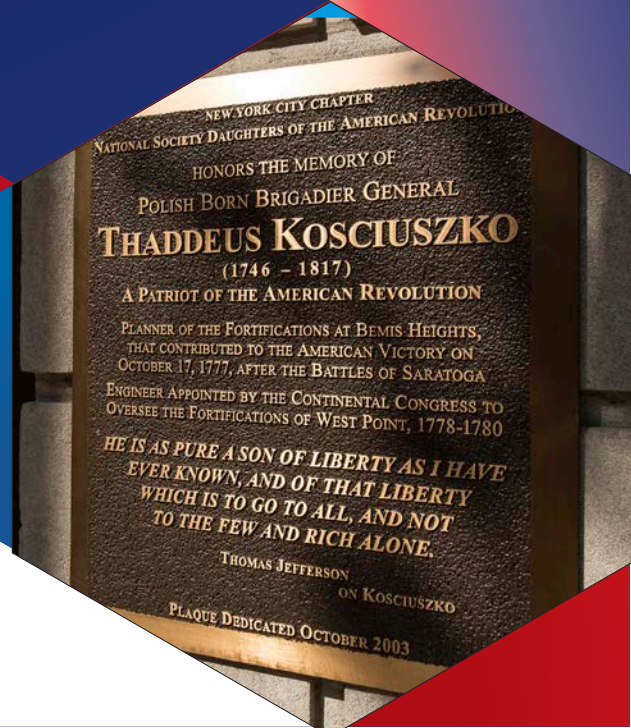


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OUR MISSION

Founded in 1925, the Kosciuszko Foundation is dedicated to promoting and strengthening understanding and friendship between the peoples of the United States and Poland through educational, scientific, and cultural exchanges and other related programs and activities.

Every year, we award fellowships and grants to students, scholars, scientists, professionals, and artists and help increase the visibility and prestige of Polish culture in America by sponsoring exhibits, publications, film festivals, performing arts such as concerts and recitals, and assist other institutions in achieving similar goals.

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OUR IMPACT

■ **\$868,150** AWARDED IN SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

■ **220** SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS RECIPIENTS

■ **\$467,210** AWARDED IN SPECIAL GRANTS

■ **\$490,149** HELPING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

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CHAPTER ONE

EXCHANGE
PROGRAM
to the
UNITED STATES





2023/2024 academic year EXCHANGE PROGRAM TO THE UNITED STATES

The KF Exchange Program to the United States is designed for Polish scholars to pursue research, artistic projects and Teaching Fellowships in US institutions. Unlike many other scholarship programs, this Program supports those who are just at the beginning of their academic careers, as well as those who have years of experience and expertise in their fields of specialization. The KF Exchange Program to the U.S. is also recognized for supporting the widest selection of disciplines of studies and research.

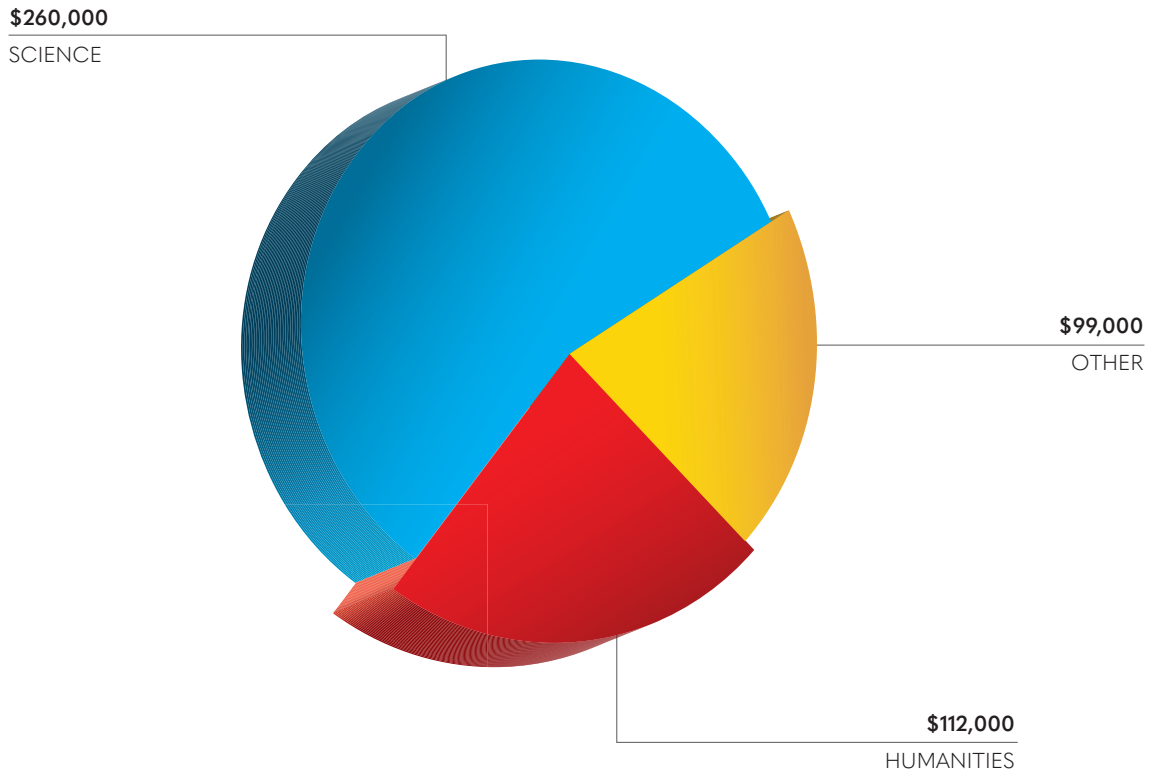
SELECTION PROCESS:

This year 99 candidates submitted their applications to participate in the 2023/2024 Exchange Program to the United States and the U.S. Advisory Committee Members selected 69 candidates for interviews in Poland. Members of the U.S. Advisory Committee together with members of the Polish Academic Commission conducted interviews in Warsaw from February 13th to February 23rd, 2023.

All interviews were conducted in English, evaluating the English proficiency of the candidates. Each interview lasted approximately

30 minutes, including Committee discussions prior to and after each session. A total of 30 new candidates were accepted, bringing the total amount of funding to \$504,000. Additionally, 2 awardees from the academic year 2022/2023 deferred their research to this year, bringing the total number of participants to 32 and the total funding for the 2023/2024 Exchange to the US Program to \$527,000. Ultimately, **28** candidates completed their programs, 3 postponed their research to the next academic year, and 1 withdrew from participation. The total funding was **\$471,000**.

\$471,000 AWARDED IN GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS



28 PROGRAMS RECIPIENTS



SCIENCE



HUMANITIES



OTHER

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We would like to thank all Members of the selection Committees who volunteered their time and expertise. Your discerning evaluations, careful deliberations, and commitment to fairness have ensured that our Fellows are not just academically accomplished, but also embody the values and aspirations we hold dear.

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THE AWARDS WITHIN THE PROGRAM ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE CATEGORIES

These categories help us support both young scholars, who are just beginning their academic careers, as well as those who have years of experience and expertise in their fields of specialization. There are no restrictions on fields of study for any of the grants and fellowships and the KF Exchange Program to the US is recognized for supporting the widest selection of disciplines of studies and research. In the academic year 2023/2024, the KF awardees conducted their research in 14 different disciplines ranging from Medical Studies, Biology and Engineering to Music and Literature.

Polish scholars conducted their studies at universities and research institutes across the United States, including some of the most prestigious institutions such as Harvard University, Brown University, Tulane University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Stanford University or Weill Cornell Medical College.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS

designed for postdoctoral research in the US and are awarded to advanced post-doctoral fellows, instructors, and assistant professors (or equivalent), for 3 - 9 months.

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THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION GRANTS

support graduate research in the US and are awarded to graduate students and research staff who hold a master's degree but have not obtained a doctoral degree for 3 - 9 months.

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THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION TEACHING FELLOWSHIPS

are awarded to Polish faculty members to teach classes at US universities, for up to 9 months. The program focuses on lectures in Polish Studies, including Polish language teaching and Polish culture.

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2023/2024 academic year

PARTICIPANTS OF THE KF EXCHANGE PROGRAM TO THE US

HUMANITIES

RECIPIENT'S NAME	AMOUNT/FUND	FIELD OF STUDY/HOST INSTITUTION
<p>3M GRANT BRZYSKA ANNA, M.A. <i>Narodowy Bank Polski, Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 SENDZIMIR</p>	<p>HISTORY: THE POLISH INSTITUTE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES OF AMERICA (PIASA) Activities of Polish scientists, economists and politicians related to the wartime Polish Government-in-Exile. The project studied the legal continuity between the institutions of the Second Republic of Poland and the Polish institutions restored in exile during the World War II. This study was conducted with the help of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America (PIASA), under the guidance of dr Bozena Leven, Executive Director of the PIASA.</p>
<p>4M GRANT DZIURZYNSKA MAGDALENA, M.A. <i>University of Wrocław</i></p>	<p>\$16,000 THE ADOLF AND STEPHANIE BAUER EDUCATIONAL</p>	<p>LITERATURE: UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE Gender and Sexuality in Female and Male Single-Sex Societies in Twentieth-Century Anglophone Science Fiction Literature. The aim of the project was to analyze gender separatism in female and male same-sex societies in contemporary American science-fiction and utopian writing. The project was conducted under the guidance of Sheryl Vint who is a professor of Science Fiction, Media and Cultural Studies.</p>

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3M FELLOWSHIP JÓZWIKOWSKA WANDA, PH.D. <i>University of Warsaw</i>	\$12,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	LITERATURE: UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO Preliminary Research Towards Unearthing Helen Stankiewicz Zand as an Actor in Popularizing Polish Literature in the USA. The primary aim of this research was to unearth Zand's life and her commitment to translating Polish literature and explain how the latter tied in with her multiple roles in the Polish communities in the USA. The project was conducted in the Polish Room at the Lockwood Memorial Library of the University at Buffalo with the help of Rose Orcutt, Curator of the Polish Collection.
6M FELLOWSHIP KILARSKI MARCIN, PH.D <i>habilitation,</i> <i>Adam Mickiewicz University,</i> <i>Poznań</i>	\$12,000 FELIKS AND HARRIET BASISTA	LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES: BOSTON COLLEGE Women in Americanist linguistics (1830–1950). The project examined the contribution of women linguists to the study of the Indigenous languages of North America in the period c. 1830 – c. 1950, focusing on the life and work of Therese Albertine, Luise von Jakob Robinson, Laura Sheldon Wright, Erminnie Adele Smith, and Ella Cara Deloria. The project was conducted at Boston College, under the guidance of Prof. Margaret Thomas, Professor of Linguistics at the Department of Eastern, Slavic, and German Studies.

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<p>6M FELLOWSHIP KOWALEWSKI JAHROMI PIOTR, M.A. <i>University of Silesia</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 \$4,000 WILLIAM AND MILDRED ZELOSKY \$1,000 THE ADOLF AND STEPHANIE BAUER EDUCATIONAL \$7,000 THADDEUS F. BRYZINSKI AND GENEVIEVE M. PONIATOWSKI-BRYZINSKI</p>	<p>PHILOSOPHY: UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ Historizing the Analytic Philosophy of History (APH): Past and Future of Historical Explanation. The project made a bold attempt to (re)write the history of APH by adding important European influences (especially Lviv-Warsaw School and Poznan School of Methodology). This historical goal was supplemented with a philosophical one: an in-depth analysis of challenges and opportunities for historical explanation in current philosophy. This project was completed in collaboration with Professor Paul Roth at UCSC with occasional visits to Berkeley and Stanford Universities.</p>
<p>5M GRANT SĘKOWSKI KRZYSZTOF, M.A. <i>University of Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$20,000 \$6,000 ALFRED TARSKI \$14,000 THE ADOLF AND STEPHANIE BAUER EDUCATIONAL</p>	<p>PHILOSOPHY: DARTMOUTH COLLEGE The method of thought experiments as a part of the conceptual engineering enterprise. The project examined the normative interpretation of thought experiments. It explored how several kinds of thought experiments might serve as a proxy for conceptual engineering and what methodological conditions have to be met in order to apply such interpreted thought experiments justifiably. This study was conducted with the help of Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire under the supervision of Prof. Amie Thomasson, the Daniel P. Stone Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy and the Chair of Philosophy Department at Dartmouth College.</p>

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3M FELLOWSHIP WIŚNIEWSKA-DREWNIAK MAGDALENA, PH.D. <i>Nicolaus Copernicus University,</i> <i>Torun</i>	\$12,000 THE ADOLF AND STEPHANIE BAUER EDUCATIONAL	HISTORY: CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Teaching about community archives in the US and Poland. The project studied how the topic of community archives is presented to students at higher education institutions in the US. The results was then compared to the presence of this topic in university curricula in Poland. The study ended with a comparative analysis of both realities. This study was conducted under the guidance of Dr. James Lowry, director of the Archival Technologies Lab.
4M FELLOWSHIP ZIEMANN ZOFIA, PH.D. <i>Jagiellonian University</i>	\$16,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	LITERATURE: INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON The History and Sociology of Polish Literature in English Translation: Archive Insights. The project studied archive material to reconstruct selected aspects of the history and sociology of Polish-into-English literary translation. It looked into the cultural and economic aspects of this process, revealing its mechanisms and the role of translators, publishers, editors, and other agents. The research was conducted at the Indiana University Bloomington under the guidance of Prof. Bill Johnston, Professor of Comparative Literature and Adjunct Professor of Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures, and critically acclaimed translator of Polish literature.



“Participating in the Exchange Program in the U.S. was not only an immensely rewarding experience—both professionally and personally— but I also consider it a crucial stage in my long-term career. This was my first opportunity to travel to the United States in a professional capacity, and it highlighted just how rare and valuable this type of Program funding truly is. It opens doors for talented scholars who may not have previously received the recognition they deserve. I am confident that future awards and scholarships I receive will be, in large part, thanks to this significant addition to my academic CV. I am deeply grateful to the donors who made this opportunity possible. Please continue the incredible work you are doing—your support truly changes lives. Thank you.”

ZOFIA ZIEMANN

SCIENCE

RECIPIENT'S NAME	AMOUNT/FUND	FIELD OF STUDY/HOST INSTITUTION
<p>4M GRANT BRYKSA ANNA, M.SC. <i>Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology, Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$16,000 \$11,000 FELIKS AND HARRIET BASISTA \$5,000 THADDEUS F. BRYZINSKI AND GENEVIEVE M. PONIATOWSKI-BRYZINSKI</p>	<p>BIOLOGY: WEILL CORNELL MEDICAL COLLEGE How the interplay between the excitatory and inhibitory neurons within the prefrontal cortex shapes social attachment. The aim of the project was to reveal the role of the two vital cell classes in the prefrontal cortex - the brain structure critical for interacting with others - in encoding social bonds. This study was conducted with the help of the Weill Cornell Medical College in New York, under the guidance of Conor Liston, Associate Professor of the Department of Psychiatry at Brain and Mind Research Institute.</p>
<p>6M FELLOWSHIP BUCHWALD MIKOŁAJ, PH.D. <i>Poznan Supercomputing and Networking Center</i></p>	<p>\$24,000 \$11,000 VICTORIA KOKERNAK \$13,000 ANTONI S. AND IRENE REPECZKO</p>	<p>MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES: CEDARS-SINAI MEDICAL CENTER Advancing Nuclear Medicine Imaging Methods with Deep Learning Technologies: Cardiovascular Phenotyping and Assessing Individual Risk Factors. The goal of the project was to utilize machine learning technologies to improve the diagnostic capabilities of cardiac nuclear imaging methods. The computational models were used to enhance risk stratification algorithms in cardiological patients. This study was conducted with the help of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, affiliated to the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), under the guidance of Prof. Piotr Slomka, PhD, FACC, FASNC, the Director of Innovation in Imaging and Professor of Medicine and Cardiology, Division of Artificial Intelligence in Medicine at Cedars-Sinai.</p>



“I felt well-prepared before coming to the U.S., thanks to the clear and comprehensive Welcome Guide, which covered all the essential information. The Zoom orientation meeting added further valuable insights and helped ease any anxiety I had about the journey ahead. Words cannot fully express how grateful and happy I am to have had the opportunity to live and conduct research in the United States—especially in New York City. This program provided me with invaluable professional experience, helped me overcome personal fears, and significantly boosted my confidence. My time in New York was one of the most important and exciting experiences of my life—one I will cherish and never forget.”

ANNA BRYKSA

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<p>3M GRANT DZIADUŁA WIKTORIA, M.SC. <i>Silesian University of Technology</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI</p>	<p>ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY: SASAKAWA INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SPACE ARCHITECTURE Architecture in extreme environments. Model of the supportive closed-loop habitat to apply in space and terrestrial environment. The project aimed to create a model of self-sufficient space habitat by combining human-centered design approach (ergonomic environment supporting human activities) with the technical-ecological aspects (closed-loop environment). The project allows dual use; both for future space crew missions and for fastidious environments on Earth; extreme and susceptible to changing climate. This study was conducted with the help of the University of Houston, Sasakawa International Center for Space Architecture (SICSA) in Huston, Texas, under the guidance of Prof. Olga Bannova, Director at the Sasakawa International Center for Space Architecture.</p>
<p>6M FELLOWSHIP FIGAT MAKSYM, PH.D. <i>Warsaw University of Technology</i></p>	<p>\$24,000 TADEUSZ SENDZIMIR</p>	<p>ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY: CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Development of robotic technologies for the next generation of Mars helicopters. The primary objective was to design and develop robotic technologies and algorithms enabling autonomous operation of Mars helicopters. Another objective was to develop a design methodology for the safety-critical robotic systems and its verification on a new generation of Mars helicopters. The project was conducted at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, a research and development lab federally funded by NASA under the supervision of Arthur Chmielewski, project manager at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.</p>

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<p>3M FELLOWSHIP KOZIOŁ KRYSZYNA, PH.D. <i>The Kazimierz Wielki University, Bydgoszcz</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 \$8,000 JAN PAUL ZALESKI MEMORIAL \$4,000 TADEUSZ SENDZIMIR</p>	<p>GEOGRAPHY: UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY Spatial patterns in aerosol deposition in the city of Glasgow. The aim of the research was to gain a better understanding of the spatial differences in aerosol deposition in the urban environment for air quality management. The project was conducted under supervision of Prof. Cohen and his research group at the Department of Earth Sciences and Department of Chemistry, UC Berkeley.</p>
<p>3M GRANT KRZAK ANNA, M.SC. <i>Silesian University of Technology</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 \$12,000 THE EUGENIA AND JERZY PIÓRKOWSKI POST GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP</p>	<p>ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY: THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY Structure and properties of multilayer composite materials published under cryogenic conditions. This study was conducted with the help of the Ohio State University in Columbus, under the guidance of Professor Michael Sumption, Professor and Associate Director. The research concentrated on the modification of the resin and the development of a spatial reinforcement phase allowed the production of a material with cryogenic properties. The work included simulation tests in which the extreme operating conditions of selected structural variants of the developed composites were mapped.</p>



“I would like to sincerely thank you for making this incredible opportunity possible! Receiving this scholarship has given me new perspectives—not only in terms of my career and research path, but also in my personal growth and self-development. It has truly been the most rewarding experience of my life so far. This scholarship represents the culmination of years of hard work and dedication to science. Being part of the KF Exchange Program has made it all feel truly worthwhile. Thank you once again for your support and for believing in young scholars like me.”

WIKTORIA DZIADUŁA

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3M FELLOWSHIP KUROWSKA PATRYCJA, PH.D. <i>Jagiellonian University</i>	\$12,000 THADDEUS F. BRYZINSKI AND GENEVIEVE M. PONIATOWSKI-BRYZINSKI	BIOLOGY: UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA Searching for new links between obesity and mammary gland pathologies. The research objective was to define the transcriptional and morphogenic changes in the mammary glands (MG) during obesity-induced growth suppression. The long-term goal of this work is to find new strategies/target to prevent obesity-induced MG dysfunction that can be applied to humans and animals. This study was conducted under the guidance of Prof. Russell C. Hovey.
5M FELLOWSHIP MALECKI PIOTR, PH.D. <i>The Institute of Bioorganic Chemistry Polish Academy of Sciences, Poznan</i>	\$20,000 \$15,000 WILLIAM AND MILDRED ZELOSKY \$5,000 THE EMIL AND ZOFIA CHROBOCZEK	BIOLOGY STRUCTURAL: CENTER FOR STRUCTURAL BIOLOGY, CENTER FOR CANCER RESEARCH, NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE, FREDERICK, MD, USA Solving the structure of the full-length KDM4 protein using CryoEM. The project aimed to obtain the full-length KDM4 protein and deciphered its 3D structure. Identifying the regulatory areas of the protein was a foundation for designing novel cancer therapeutics. The project was conducted at the Center for Structural Biology (CSB) under Alexander Wlodawer, Ph.D., in the Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research.
3M GRANT MASLOWSKA-JARZYNA KRYSTYNA, M.SC. <i>University of Warsaw</i>	\$12,000 \$8,000 WALTER JARZEMBSKI \$4,000 FELIKS AND HARRIET BASISTA	CHEMISTRY: TULANE UNIVERSITY Anion transport and binding of biological membrane components by small synthetic anion transporters. The project focused on studying the ability of synthetic anion transporters to recognize various components of biological membranes in order to explain their antibiotic properties. The main goal was to investigate anion transport activity and lipids-binding properties of different carbazole-based anion transporters using synthetic liposomes and bacteria. This study was conducted with the help of the Department of Chemistry at Tulane University in New Orleans, under the supervision of Prof. Nathalie Busscheart, the leader of her research group.

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<p>6M FELLOWSHIP PAWLAK ALEKSANDRA, <i>Ph.D. habilitation,</i> <i>Wroclaw University</i> <i>of Environmental and Life Sciences</i></p>	<p>\$24,000 \$21,000 THADDEUS F. BRYZINSKI AND GENEVIEVE M. PONIATOWSKI-BRYZINSKI \$3,000 TADEUSZ SENDZIMIR</p>	<p>AGRICULTURE: IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY Canine Cancer In 3d – Innovative Model For Lymphoma Immunotherapy Development. The subject of the study was to generate, for the first time, a model of 3D canine lymphoma culture with the potential to serve as a platform to assess the efficacy of immunotherapies. This study was conducted with the help of the Iowa State University, Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine under the guidance of Prof. Karin Allenspach, Dr. med. vet. FVH, PhD, Dipl. ECVIM-CA, FHEA, AGAF, Professor of Internal Medicine.</p>
<p>4M FELLOWSHIP SALAMATIN RUSLAN <i>Ph.D habilitation,</i> <i>Medical University, Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$16,000 \$15,000 DR. JOHN A. CETNAROWSKI–CETNER \$1,000 DRS. RICHARD AND CATHERINE PASKOWSKI</p>	<p>BIOLOGY: UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA Molecular phylogeny and evolution of the dilepidid tapeworms (Cestoda: Dilepididae). A study of evolution of a very large tapeworm family Dilepididae, using sequence data and morphology. Available molecular data on Dilepididae are scarce. Main objectives was to generate most detailed molecular phylogeny of the Dilepididae to date and study evolution of morphological traits and host associations among dilepidids using phylogenetic framework. This study was conducted at the Department of Biology, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, USA, under the guidance of Prof. Vasyl Tkach, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor, President of the American Society of Parasitologists.</p>



“Spending nearly six months in the dynamic and competitive environment of The National Cancer Institute (NCI) in Frederick, Maryland, was a fantastic experience. It greatly expanded my understanding of cancer research and drug discovery, while also allowing me to observe the similarities and differences across various scientific communities. Your generous donations enabled me to secure this internship, and allowed me to focus entirely on my research and networking without worrying about financial constraints. I am deeply committed to making the most of this opportunity and contributing meaningfully to structural biology and cancer research in a way that will benefit society.”

PIOTR HENRYK MAŁECKI

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<p>4M GRANT SZCZEPANIAK ADRIAN, M.SC. <i>Mossakowski Medical Research Institute Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$16,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI</p>	<p>MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES: BROWN UNIVERSITY The effects of cytomegalovirus on blood vessel formation and tumor growth in glioblastoma. The project studied the role of cytomegalovirus in the aggressive malignant primary brain tumor - glioblastoma. The main goal was to investigate the mechanism of increased blood vessel formation induced by cytomegalovirus in glioblastoma. This study was conducted with the help of the Brown University, Providence, RI, under the guidance of Sean E. Lawler Ph.D.</p>
<p>6M FELLOWSHIP TROJAN SONIA, PH.D. <i>Jagiellonian University Medical College</i></p>	<p>\$24,000 \$11,000 HENRY AND LUDMILLE WOJTKOWSKI \$8,000 IRENE FREES \$5,000 VICTORIA KOKERNAK</p>	<p>MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES: MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Investigating how NAD+ regenerating reactions are altered to maintain NAD+/NADH homeostasis in lipid-and oxygen-depleted environments. The research goal was to understand how cells meet their NAD+ requirements in lipid and oxygen depleted conditions. This work uncovered how cancer cells adapt to different nutrient and tissue environments and suggested new strategies for cancer treatment. This study was conducted under the supervision of Matthew G. Vander Heiden, MD, PhD, Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology</p>
<p>6M FELLOWSHIP WASIAK MICHAL, PH.D. <i>Faculty of Medicine, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$24,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI</p>	<p>MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES: HOSPITAL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA Improving Outcome of Atrial Fibrillation Ablation by Targeting Non-Pulmonary Vein Triggers of Atrial Fibrillation: Filling in the Information Gaps. The project contributed to better ablation procedures and lower mortality among patients with heart rhythm disturbances. The study was conducted at Electrophysiology Laboratory, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, under the guidance of the director Francis E. Marchlinski.</p>

RECIPIENT'S NAME	AMOUNT/FUND	FIELD OF STUDY/HOST INSTITUTION
<p>3M FELLOWSHIP ZUBA-SURMA EWA <i>Ph.D. habilitation, Jagiellonian University</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 JAN PAUL ZALESKI MEMORIAL</p>	<p>BIOLOGY: UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA Genetically-modified extracellular vesicles (EVs) as novel therapy for heart repair. The main goal of this study was to investigate whether specific microRNA clusters regulate pro-regenerative activities of extracellular vesicles (EVs) derived from two types of human stem cells (SCs) such as mesenchymal SCs (MSCs) and induced pluripotent SCs (iPSCs), in myocardial repair. This study was conducted with the support of the Department of Internal Medicine, Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), under the guidance of Prof. Buddhadeb Dawn MD, FACC, FAHA, FACP - Head of the Cardiovascular Research Laboratory, Chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine and Chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, UNLV.</p>



“No words can truly express how grateful I am for the opportunity I was given. This scholarship has been life-changing in every possible way. The chance to learn from some of the world’s leading scientists at MIT has been an extraordinary privilege. Over the course of these six months, I’ve grown tremendously as a scientist—learning more than I had throughout my entire PhD in Poland. I’ve built lasting collaborations that will have a significant impact on my future career, and I’ve also formed meaningful friendships that I deeply value. I will be forever grateful to everyone who made this experience possible and will continue to promote this program and recommend it to others as a proud member of the Kosciuszko Foundation Alumni Association.

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RECIPIENT'S NAME	AMOUNT/FUND	FIELD OF STUDY/HOST INSTITUTION
<p>9M TEACHING FELLOWSHIP DREWNOWSKI MICHAŁ, PH.D. <i>habilitation,</i> <i>University of Music, Lodz</i></p>	<p>\$36,000 \$7,200 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI \$22,800 WANDA WILK POLISH MUSIC</p>	<p>MUSIC: ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY From Chopin to the contemporaneity - Polish music teaching project. Classes were conducted at College of Performing Art, Roosevelt University under the guidance of world-renowned pianists Edward Auer and Adam Neiman. The goal was to popularize the music of Polish composers from the early romanticism to the contemporaneity and to share the pedagogy of the Polish pianistic school in terms of Chopin's performance practice. The students learned about the genesis and characteristics of Polish folklore culture.</p>
<p>4M GRANT POSZYTEK PAWEŁ, PH.D <i>habilitation,</i> <i>Nicolaus Copernicus University,</i> <i>Torun</i></p>	<p>\$16,000 \$2,000 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI \$14,000 IRENE FREES</p>	<p>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT: STANFORD UNIVERSITY Towards the Future 4.0. The aim of the study was to diagnose the level of digital transformation of Polish universities and to compare the scale of their digitalization with universities in USA, especially in California. Because of the proximity of Silicon Valley, Californian Universities was treated in the study as a benchmark.</p>
<p>6M FELLOWSHIP STELOWSKA-MORGULEC DIANA, PH.D. <i>University of Warsaw</i></p>	<p>\$12,000 \$11,500 STANISLAS CHYLINSKI \$500 WANDA ROEHR</p>	<p>POLITICAL SCIENCE: UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY Covert Cultural Diplomacy. CIA's role in Cultural Diplomacy activities conducted in Poland during the Reagan Administration. This project aimed at investigating "The Golden Age of Cold War American Public Diplomacy" (years 1981-86) in regard to cultural activities supported by the CIA, directed at Poland and other countries of the Soviet Block. This research was conducted under the guidance of Prof. John Connolly at the Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, University of California, Berkeley.</p>

RECIPIENT'S NAME	AMOUNT/FUND	FIELD OF STUDY/HOST INSTITUTION
<p>5M FELLOWSHIP WUDARSKI ARKADIUSZ, PH.D. <i>University of Zielona Góra</i></p>	<p>\$20,000 \$12,000 TAMARA PUSLOWSKI \$8,000 THE DRS. FRANCIS AND LIDIA KOPERNIK</p>	<p>LAW: UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI, SCHOOL OF LAW Parentage in a time of social change: Inconsistencies in the legal status of genetic parents. A Comparative Study. This study investigated the legal status of genetic-not-legal parents in Florida and California, and the impact of the Uniform Parentage Act. The purpose was to identify country-specific inconsistencies, compare the results with Polish and German law and propose legal changes in Poland considering the results of other family-related disciplines.</p>

AWARDEES THAT DEFERRED THEIR RESEARCH FORM THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022/2023 TO 2023/2024

<p>5M FELLOWSHIP MUCHA JAGNA, PH.D. <i>University of Warsaw, Faculty of Law and Administration</i></p>	<p>\$15,000 \$4,000 WACLAW AND IRENA SZYSZKOWSKI \$11,000 THE DRS. FRANCIS AND LIDIA KOPERNIK</p>	<p>LAW AND POLITICS: HARVARD LAW SCHOOL Different ways of getting to 'Yes'. Study on the use of the alternative dispute resolution in the U.S. The study of the doctrinal basis for out-of-court dispute resolution in the United States. The main goal is to explore the real nature of ADR, investigate the powers of different out-of-court institutions as well as instruments serving the purpose of law enforcement in the US.</p>
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CHAPTER TWO

SPECIAL and TRAVEL GRANTS



2023/2024 fiscal year

SPECIAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS

In addition to its Exchange and Domestic Scholarship programs, the Kosciuszko Foundation awards a variety of Special and Travel Grants that support projects aligned with its mission to promote knowledge of Poland—its art, culture, and history.

Beyond educational initiatives, the Foundation also sponsors cultural and artistic projects across the United States. These include art exhibitions, musical performances, theatrical productions, literary conferences, and publications. Travel

Grants further enable scholars to attend international conferences and workshops, enhancing global academic exchange.

In the 2024 fiscal year, the Foundation awarded a total of **\$467,210** in Special and Travel Grants.

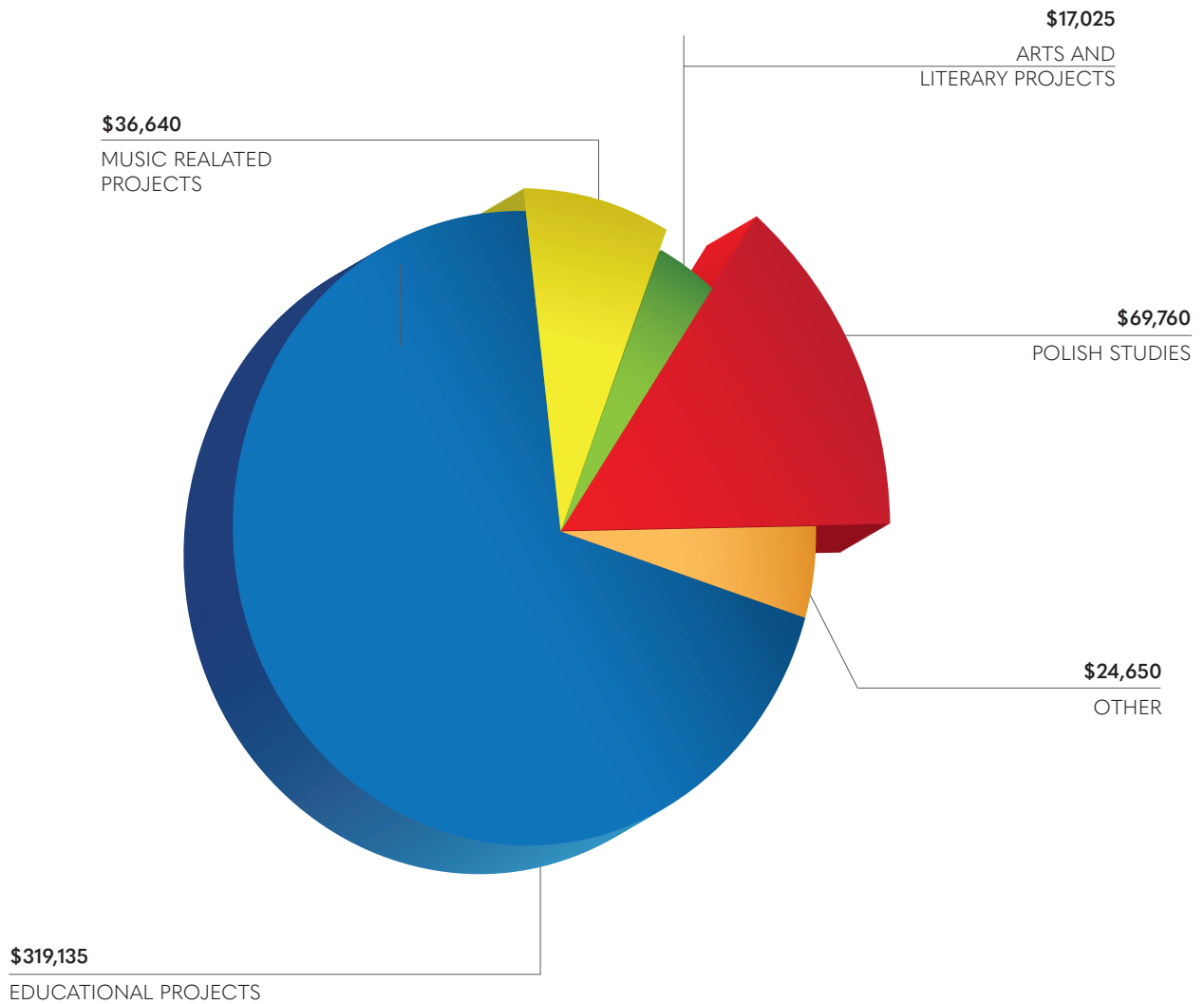
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GRANTS AWARDED



\$467,210

AWARDED IN SPECIAL GRANTS



MUSIC RELATED PROJECTS

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
THE CONNECTICUT VIRTUOSI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA	THADDEUS BRYSCULTURAL	\$2,000	for its performance at the KF House.
YOHJI DAQUIO	KF CULTURAL	\$500	as the honorarium for their recital at the KF on Feb. 15, 2024.
DEBICZ ALEKSANDER	KF CULTURAL	\$1,000	representing an honorarium for the recitals "Improvisations and Compositions" given on June 9, 2024, at the KF DC Center and June 13, 2024, at the KF NYC
DENG ATHENA	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$3,250	for a second prize in the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024 and as a Special Szymanowski Award for the best performance of Karol Szymanowski's music during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
EBI AKIKO	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,700	as an honorarium for serving on a jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
GAJEWSKI PIOTR	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,500	as an honorarium for serving as a jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
JABLONSKI KRZYSZTOF	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,700	as an honorarium for serving as a jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
KAPONYAS NICHOLAS	KF CULTURAL	\$500	as the honorarium for their recital at the KF on Feb. 15, 2024.

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
KHRISTENKO STANISLAV	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$300	as an honorarium for serving as a preliminary jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
KLECZEK ANTONI	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,500	as a second prize in the the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
LABAZEVITCH MARTIN	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,650	as an honorarium for serving as Artistic Director during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
LIRA ENSEMBLE	KF CULTURAL	\$750	to support their performance at the KF Chicago Chapter on November 3, 2023.
NEW YORK DANCE & ARTS INNOVATIONS INC.	KF CULTURAL	\$1,000	in support of the 25th International Chopin and Friends Festival.
NISHIMOTO YUYA	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK, and KF CULTURAL	\$7,250	\$6,750 as an award for first place during the KF Chopin, and a Special Szymanowski Award for the best performance of Karol Szymanowski's music during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024; \$500 as the honorarium for the recital at the KF on February 15, 2024.
PETRIKOVA LINDA	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$500	as an honorarium for serving as a preliminary jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.
POBLOCKA EWA	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,700	as an honorarium for serving as a jury during the KF Chopin Piano Competition 2024.

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SPECIAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
SOLOUNIAS JASON	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$2,650	as an honorarium for serving as Competition Director during the KF CHOPIN PIANO COMPETITION 2024
VAINBERG-TATZ GOLDA	ANNE FELICYA CIERPIK	\$300	as an honorarium for serving as a preliminary jury during the KF CHOPIN PIANO COMPETITION 2024.
ZIEMSKI MACIEJ <i>from Duo Klavittare</i>	THADDEUS BRYSCULTURAL and KRZEMINSKI CULTURAL	\$1,000	for a recital at the KF DC house "FROM CHOPIN TO PIAZZOLLA"—Autumn Concert (\$803.43 from Krzeminski Fund and \$196.5 from Brys)

ARTS AND LITERARY PROJECTS

ANDERS JAROSLAW	TADEUSZ SOLOWIJ LITERARY	\$1,000	for the lecture: "THE DEFEATED GUILTY LIVED ON IN THEIR VICTIMS: ASHES AND DIAMONDS BY JERZY ANDRZEJEWSKI" on October 24, 2023; for the lecture: "BETWEEN LITERARY TRAGEDY AND FARCE: POLISH FATES IN THE PROSE OF TADEUSZ KONWICKI", delivered on March 19, 2024
ARCHIPELAGO BOOKS	MARCINKOWSKI	\$500	as a travel grant for Mr Tomasz Rozycki, a Polish poet and writer, who is coming to the U.S. to promote his recent book "To the Letter" published by Archipelago.

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
FOLEGA MICHAL	KF CULTURAL	\$1,977.60	as a special travel grant to participate in a lecture "CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OF VALENTINA (1913-2020) AND ALEKSANDER (1908-1974) JANTA-POŁCZYŃSKI IN THE UNITED STATES" delivered on May 7 at the KF and on May 9 for the KF Western NY Chapter in Buffalo.
GRÜNBERG SŁAWOMIR, LOGTV, LTD	JOSEPH B. SLODKOWSKI MEMORIAL PUBLISHING	\$1,200	to support a screening of a documentary film about Kaya Mirecka "JA, KAYA DZIOLCHA ZE ŚLĄSKA", on October 9, 2023, at the Kosciuszko Foundation in Washington DC.
KF DC FILM FESTIVAL	KOSCIUSZKO GARDENS WP	\$1,538.20	a license for a movie KOS about Thaddeus Kosciuszko to promote the story of Kosciuszko and make him known to a wider American audience.
KOSZARSKI-SKRABONJA ELIZABETH	MARCINKOWSKI	\$1,500	Honorarium for preparing new art exhibition.
POLISH AMERICAN FOLK DANCE COMPANY	ARTUR RODZINSKI	\$1,500	as a grant supporting the artistic endeavors of the group.
WIN-LELIWA ANNA	KF BUILDING AND ART RESTORATION FUND	\$4,820	as an honorarium for conserving two paintings Sempolinski and Krasinski.
WORDSWORTH DAVID	MARCINKOWSKI	\$3,000	a grant for the research and publication of a book on Polish Choral Music from the 1900s.

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SPECIAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS

EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
BUDZYNSKA KATARZYNA	POLISH AMERICAN MEDICAL SOCIETY	\$5,000	as a travel and special grant for a research fellowship at the Microsurgery Laboratory of the Department of Orthopedics at the University of Illinois at Chicago.
FUNDACJA EDUKACJI POLONIJNEJ	KF SCHOLARSHIP <i>funded by Stephen Kusmierczak</i>	\$2,000	to to support Polish language classes for Polish children living abroad.
IWANICKI ALEKSANDER	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$2,500	a grant to attend the Weatherhead Scholars Program at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University in the Fall 2023 semester.
JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY	TAUBE	\$240,000	special grant to support the Taube Center for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences, Jagiellonian University - Faculty of National and Political Studies.
JEKOT KATARZYNA	SOPHIE WOJCIECHOWSKI	\$10,402	a scholarship awarded to attend the Intensive English Program at International House New York
MULARCZUK DARIA	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$1,000	as a special grant to cover tuition of the postgraduate studies program in GLOTTODIDACTICS. TEACHING POLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE at the Institute of Literary Research at the Polish Academy of Science in Warsaw in the academic year 2023/2024.

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
DR. ENG. MICHAŁ NOWICKI, <i>Poznań University of Technology</i>	WITOLD LIPSKI AWARD	\$6,198	the laureate of the 2023 Witold Lipski Award, honoring young Polish scientists for their outstanding contributions to the field of computer science.
OSIŃSKI BŁAŻEJ, <i>University of Warsaw</i>	WITOLD LIPSKI AWARD	\$6,198	the laureate of the 2023 Witold Lipski Award, honoring young Polish scientists for their outstanding contributions to the field of computer science.
DR. POLAK ADAM, <i>Jagiellonian University</i>	WITOLD LIPSKI AWARD	\$12,397	the laureate of the 2023 Witold Lipski Award, honoring young Polish scientists for their outstanding contributions to the field of computer science
PUDLOCKI TOMASZ <i>Institute of History, Jagiellonian University</i>	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$6,000	to conduct a research into the history of Polish Americans in Greenpoint.
UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$25,470.57	as a grant to support the position of the "Kosciuszko Foundation Visiting Professor" for the duration of 5 months.
ZUBRZYCKI- JOHNSON ANAÏS	TED AND WALTER WYSOCKI	\$2,000	to attend an Intensive Language Program at the Jagiellonian University.

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SPECIAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS

POLISH STUDIES

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
DUDA PAULINA, PH.D.	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$9,000	a Teaching Fellowship at the Department of Slavic Studies at Brown University during the academic year 2023-2024.
LION JOLANTA, PH.D.	DR. STANISLAW A. AND ANITA MILEWSKI, STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$9,000	a Teaching Fellowship at the Department of Slavic Studies at Brown University during the academic year 2023-2024. (\$4,500 from the Dr. Stanislaw A. and Anita Milewski Fund and \$4500 from Chylinski Fund)
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO	LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO POLISH STUDIES	\$7,870.65	to support a Visiting Scholar Mr. Maciej Olchawa during the Fall semester in the 2023-2024 academic year.
MAJEWSKA AGNIESZKA	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$18,000	as a Teaching Fellowship to conduct Polish classes at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill during the academic year 2023-2024.
OLCHAWA MACIEJ, PH.D. <i>Loyola University of Chicago</i>	LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO POLISH STUDIES	\$6,000	a teaching fellowship to appoint Maciej Olchawa as a non-tenure track faculty member at Loyola University Chicago for the academic year 2023-2024
POSPIECH MALGORZATA	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$20,000	as a Teaching Fellowship to conduct Polish classes at Hunter College during the academic year 2023-2024.

OTHER PROJECTS

RECIPIENT'S NAME	FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
ART PIX STUDIO INC.	KF CULTURAL <i>funded by Ms. Krystyna Piorkowska</i>	\$300	as an honorarium for the event: BEATA POŻNIAK - CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY held on March 5, 2024 at the KF.
DANIELS BEATA	KF CULTURAL <i>funded by Ms. Krystyna Piorkowska</i>	\$2,023	as an honorarium for participating in an evening honoring her artistic achievements and efforts that culminated in the US joining the international community in celebrating International Women's Day.
DR. LUKASIK JAN	BOHDAN AND ZYGMUNT JANCZEWSKY AWARD	\$15,000	for the most outstanding publication in a world-class professional medical journal.
McMANIGAL JOY	KF CULTURAL <i>funded by Ms. Krystyna Piorkowska</i>	\$500	as an honorarium for her talk at the event: BEATA POŻNIAK - CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY held on March 5, 2024 at the KF.
OLCHAWA MACIEJ, PH.D.	KF CULTURAL	\$200	as an honorarium for taking part in a webinar panel discussion PROMETHEISM AND POWER: MOBILIZING NATIONALISM TO CONFRONT THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE on January 30,2024.
THE POLISH INSTITUTE OF ARTS & SCIENCES	SENDZIMIR	\$3,563,79	an annual distribution
GENERAL PULASKI MEMORIAL PARADE COMMITTEE, INC.	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$3,000	to support the 86th Pulaski Day Parade.
STECULA DOMINIK, PH.D.	KF CULTURAL	\$300	as the honorarium for his talk POLISH AMERICANS TODAY held on Feb. 22, 2024.

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CHAPTER THREE

HELPING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES





2023/2024 fiscal year

HELPING UKRAINE: The Kosciuszko Foundation's Enduring Commitment Since 2022

From the first hours of Russia's full-scale invasion on February 24, 2022, the Kosciuszko Foundation has stood unwavering in support of Ukraine. Through our Help Ukraine Fund, we have acted swiftly and consistently to meet the evolving needs of Ukrainian refugees, children, educators, and cultural institutions, disbursing nearly **\$500,000** in the 2023–2024 fiscal year alone.

This year marked a continuation of deeply impactful efforts, expanding long-standing programs and launching innovative new initiatives. Among the most significant was our partnership with the **Folkowisko Foundation**, which received over **\$233,000** to execute multifaceted projects across Ukraine and Poland. This included educational camps for displaced children, training for Ukrainian teachers on psychological resilience, and equipping schools and educational centers in areas under threat—with critical items like generators, supplies, and materials.

Another vital investment was made in the **SOK Foundation**, which received **\$60,000** to continue

its highly acclaimed program for teaching Polish as a foreign language, enriched with elements of emotional support. Nearly **1,200** educators have benefited across 13 sessions, making it one of the most effective and compassionate programs supporting refugee integration in Poland.

The **TEIP Summer Camps** also continued to flourish, with over **\$51,000** allocated to bring together Polish and Ukrainian youth for intercultural bonding and healing. American educators and volunteers led workshops and activities designed to foster resilience and friendship among children affected by the war.

Recognizing that the war has disrupted higher education for thousands of students, the Foundation proudly maintained its **Flying University Courses for Ukrainian Students (FUUS)**. With a grant of **\$16,500**, this initiative enabled Ukrainian undergraduates and graduates to access free, high-quality online courses taught by U.S. professors, ensuring academic continuity and cross-cultural exchange.

The Foundation also took a leading role in defending Ukraine’s cultural identity. The **Cultural Genocide Conference**, hosted in Warsaw in June 2024, gathered voices from across the globe to spotlight the systematic erasure of Ukrainian culture under Russian aggression. This powerful event was supported by over **\$18,000** in funding.

Meanwhile, the **Beyond Borders Academy**, funded at **\$30,845**, equipped future leaders from Poland, Ukraine, and Belarus with the tools to promote democratic values and cross-border collaboration.

From food aid in eastern Ukraine and refugee support in Poland to art therapy programs and writer residencies, every dollar given has made a difference.

To our donors: your support continues to change lives. As the war enters its third year, the Kosciuszko Foundation remains committed to Ukraine—not just in crisis, but in recovery and renewal.

Together, we stand with Ukraine.



*“What are we fighting for?
Well that’s obvious
for our homes with children’s drawings on the walls
for those we love and for what we believe in
for peace in our suburbs and quiet nights for our
loved ones”*

DMYTRO LAZUTKIN

“The ongoing conflict continues to pose a significant threat to these cultural institutions. We must persist in our efforts to support and protect them. The loss of cultural heritage is not just a loss for Ukraine; it is a loss for humanity. Each artifact, document, and piece of art represents a unique thread in the fabric of our shared global history,”

– Marek Skulimowski,
President of the Kosciuszko Foundation.

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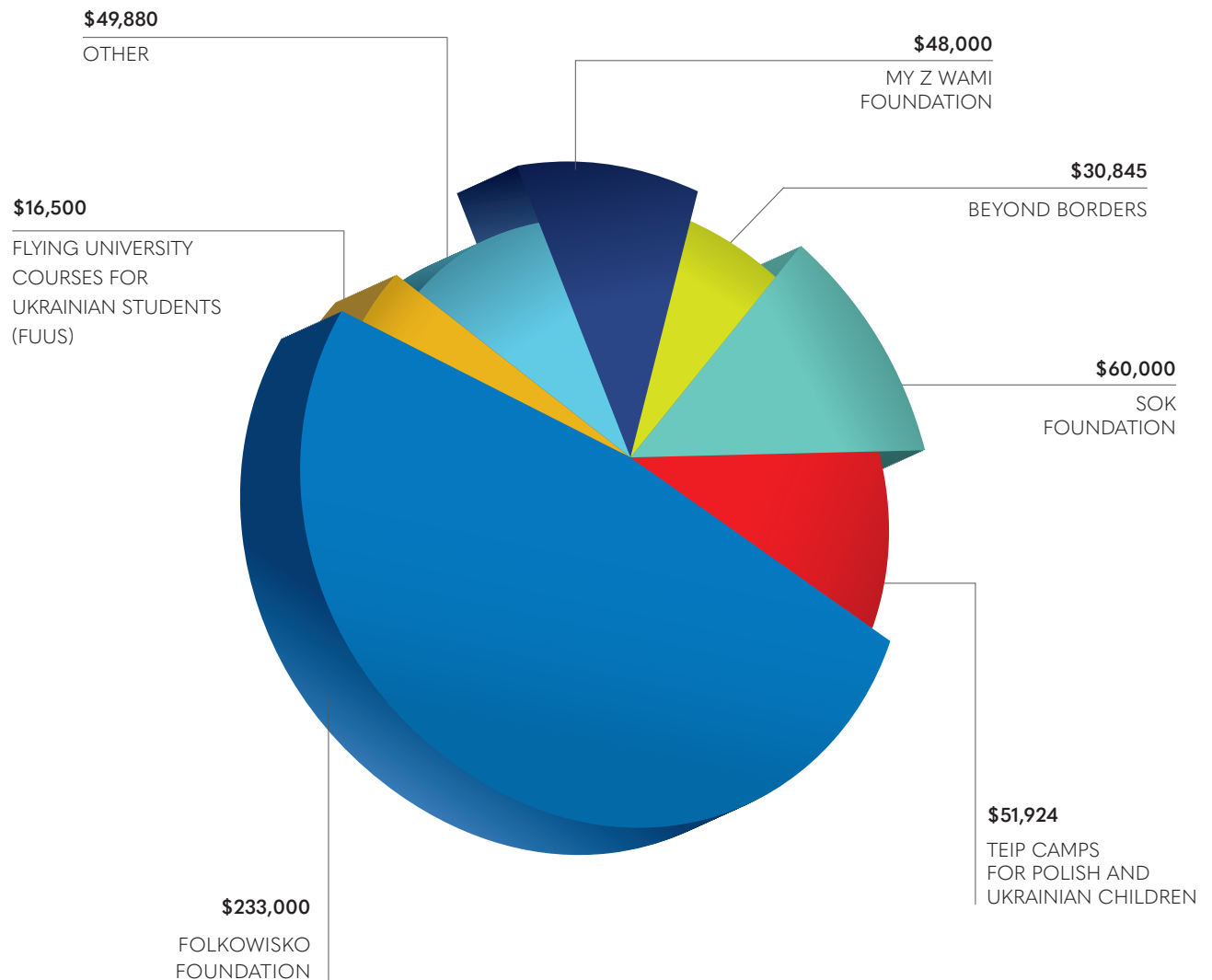
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UKRAINIAN FUND DISTRIBUTION

Folkowisko Foundation	\$233,000
SOK Fundacja (Samodzielność od Kuchni)	\$60,000
TEIP Program	\$51,924.11
My z Wami Foundation Centrum Pomocy Humanitarnej	\$48,000
Beyond Borders Academy	\$30,845.43
Cultural Genocide: Ukraine’s Struggle to Preserve Culture and Identity	\$18,599.35
Flying University Courses for Ukrainian Students (FUUS)	\$16,500
Food Bank / Bank Żywności	15,000
NGO Cultural Agency Liniya Vtechi	\$7,500
Wolno Nam Foundation	\$3,000
Oksana Shcherba	\$2,500
Miscellaneous	\$2,280.67
Zygmunt Haupt Festival	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$490,149.56

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UKRAINIAN FUND DISTRIBUTION



2023/2024 fiscal year

HELP UKRAINE FUND

FLYING UNIVERSITY COURSES FOR UKRAINIAN STUDENTS (FUUS)

The Kosciuszko Foundation organized academic courses for Ukrainian students in humanities and social sciences. The project aims to support Ukrainian students who are hindered or prevented from studying by the war in Ukraine. Online courses in English were conducted pro bono by distinguished lecturers from the best American colleges and university departments. Through participation in the courses, undergraduate and graduate students could: deepen their knowledge of current and academically relevant topics; develop their skills, learn about other cultures and establish interesting relationships; and increase their competence in the use of academic English. **\$16,500**

TEIP WITH UKRAINIAN CHILDREN

The total of **\$51,924** were distributed to cover airfares of American Camp Leaders who teach and coordinate summer camps in Poland, to the American Federation of Teachers to cover the airfares of teachers who volunteered at TEIP summer camps, and to camp organizers to cover the cost of stay of Ukrainian children during TEIP summer camps.

BEYOND BORDERS ACADEMY

This program is a new initiative by the Kosciuszko Foundation in partnership with the Borderland Foundation, the Folkowisko Foundation, and the School for Leaders Foundation. It aims to empower young leaders from Poland, Ukraine, and Belarus to foster cross-border cooperation and build community resilience in Central and Eastern Europe.

The first workshop, held in June 2023 in Gorajec, focused on leadership and cooperation. Participants engaged in sessions on dialogue across borders, cultural diversity, communication, and team management. They also explored the multicultural heritage of southeastern Poland and learned about the region's history. The program seeks to create a strong network of future NGO leaders ready to address major regional and global challenges. The next gathering is scheduled for September in Krasnogruda, near the Lithuanian border.

THE GRANTS AND OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE UKRAINE FUND

AMOUNT	RECIPIENT'S NAME	GRANT DESCRIPTION
\$233,000	STOWARZYSZENIE ANIMACJI KULTURY POGRANICZA FOLKOWISKO	for the various projects in Poland and Ukraine including, among others: \$15,000 to cover additional expenses of the educational and rehabilitation camps for Ukrainian children (there were more participants than previously planned); \$6000 for educational equipment and teaching materials for a school of Polish language for Ukrainians in Winnica, Ukraine; \$4000 to equip an educational center in Nahachiv, Ukraine; \$10,000 to cover expenses of the educational and rehabilitation training for Ukrainian teachers – Development of Psychological Resilience; \$6,000 for educational equipment and teaching materials for Ukrainian schools, including power generators in case of civilian infrastructure bombings.; \$4,000 to sponsor a meeting/conference of Polish and Ukrainian youth leaders in Poland, organized with the Folkowisko Foundation and the Mieroszewski Dialogue Center; \$5,000 for educational training of Ukrainian teachers and parents in the war (there were more participants than previously planned); \$10,000 for educational equipment and teaching materials for schools in Ukraine; \$10,000 to cover the expenses of the distribution center near the border (Cieszanow); \$5000 to provide humanitarian assistance wherever need in Ukraine
\$60,000	FUNDACJA SAMODZIELNOŚĆ OD KUCHNI	to continue funding the program of teaching Polish as a foreign language with elements of emotional support for teachers is considered one of the highest quality programs of its kind in Poland. Almost 1200 teachers have benefited over the course of 13 sessions.

AMOUNT	RECIPIENT'S NAME	GRANT DESCRIPTION
\$51,924.11	TEIP WITH UKRAINIAN CHILDREN	to organize a camp in Milakowo and Cieszanow for Ukrainian and Polish children. The objective of the camp was to strengthen the good neighborliness between youth from Poland and Ukraine, experience a multicultural and multinational encounter between the hosts from Poland and the guests from Ukraine who came from the war reality.
\$48,000	MY Z WAMI FOUNDATION (formerly THE SHEHYNI HUMANITARIAN AID CENTER)	to fund standardized emergency food packages allowing families to survive for several days in areas cut off from regular supplies in eastern Ukraine
\$30,845.43	BEYOND BORDERS ACADEMY	to foster cross-border cooperation and build community resilience in Central and Eastern Europe.
\$18,599.35	CULTURAL GENOCIDE CONFERENCE: UKRAINE'S STRUGGLE TO PRESERVE CULTURE AND IDENTITY	to organize CULTURAL GENOCIDE: UKRAINE'S STRUGGLE TO PRESERVE HISTORY AND IDENTITY conference on June 15, 2024, in Warsaw; \$6,459.93 Acoustica Spolka z o.o.; \$3,468.20 Buen Iryna Kosyak; \$1,870.99 Fundacja Savchenko; \$660.87 Grygorii Semenchuk; \$626.63 Iakymchuk Liubov; \$1,259.41 Inbornmedia Sp. z o. o.; \$1,273.34 Kamereon Film; \$764.00 Marcin Olak; \$973.46 Mariya Hud; \$401.85 Pawel Orzechowski; \$840.67 Serhiy Sevchenko.

AMOUNT	RECIPIENT'S NAME	GRANT DESCRIPTION
\$16,500	FLYING UNIVERSITY COURSES FOR UKRAINIAN STUDENTS	as an honorarium for coordinating the Flying University Program to: \$4,014.42 Alexandra Novitskaya; \$500 Anastasiia Naumenko - Realations INC; \$4,194.30 Andrzej Tymowski; \$4,091.28 Izabela Kalinowski-Blackwood; \$3,000 Jessica Williams; \$200 Kysliachenko Maksym; \$500 Vsevolod Khoma.
\$15,000	BANK ZYWNOSCI	a grant to a food bank in Poland to support Ukrainian refugees in Poland.
\$7,500	NGO CULTURAL AGENCY LINIYA VTECHI	a grant to support the residency for ten artists plus art supplies/materials (\$500) for The Kosciuszko Foundation Residency Program for Relocated Artists and \$2000 for the art therapy program for those affected by the war.
\$3,000	WOLNO NAM FOUNDATION	a special grant to equip the refugee center run by the organization.
\$2,500	OKSANA SHCHERBA	a special grant of \$2,500 to support your Polish language studies at the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
\$2,280.67	MISCELLANEOUS	to cover operational costs of administering the fund such as travel and professional services.
\$1,000	ZYGMUNT HAUPT FESTIVAL IN GORLICE	a grant to support the participation of Ms. Haska Szyjan, a Ukrainian writer, in the 9th Zygmunt Haupt Festival in Gorlice.



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CHAPTER FOUR

DOMESTIC
SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM
for AMERICAN
CITIZENS





2023/2024 academic year

TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Kosciuszko Foundation's domestic scholarships and scholarships administered on behalf of other organizations for the 2023-2024 academic year are awarded based on the following:

TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS

(domestic scholarship program) are available to U.S. citizens and permanent residents of Polish descent for graduate studies in any field at colleges and universities in the United States. Funding is only for full-time studies in the United States and English Schools of Medicine in Poland.

MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF POLISH WOMEN'S CLUBS SCHOLARSHIPS

are awarded to U.S. citizens of Polish descent residing in Massachusetts and to Polish citizens who are legal permanent residents of the U.S. residing in Massachusetts – scholarships are awarded for undergraduate studies in any field.

POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY SCHOLARSHIPS

are administered by the Kosciuszko Foundation on behalf of the Club; scholarships are awarded to the club members.

JEANETTE K. NIECIECKA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

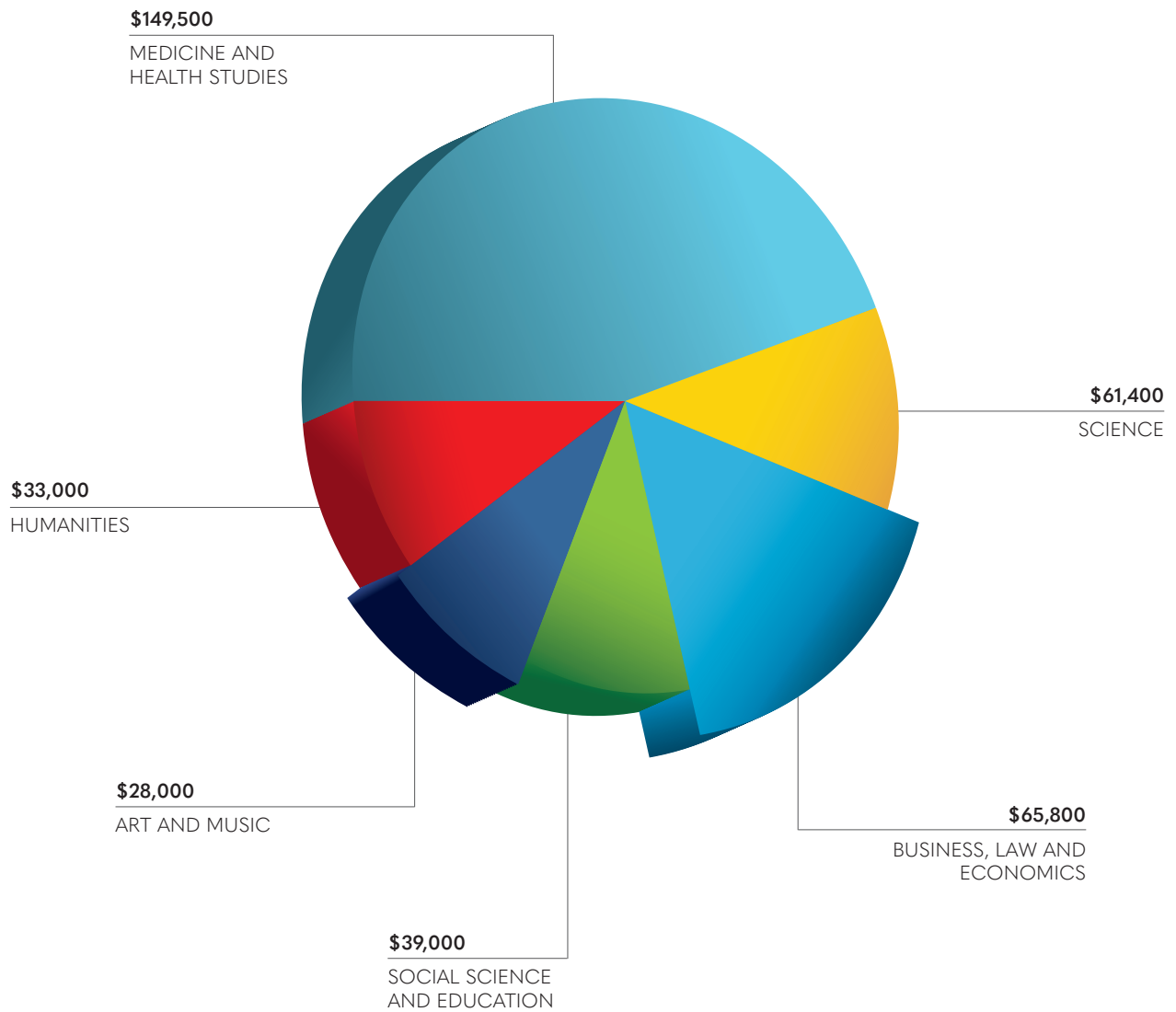
are awarded to New Jersey residents for undergraduate studies, first preference for studies in nursing, education and business.

All awards are competitive and are based on academic excellence with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and involvement in the Polish American community. A minimum GPA of 3.5 is required for THE DRS. JAMES AND WANDA TREFIL SCHOLARSHIP. Financial need is taken into consideration. Documentation proving Polish ancestry is required.

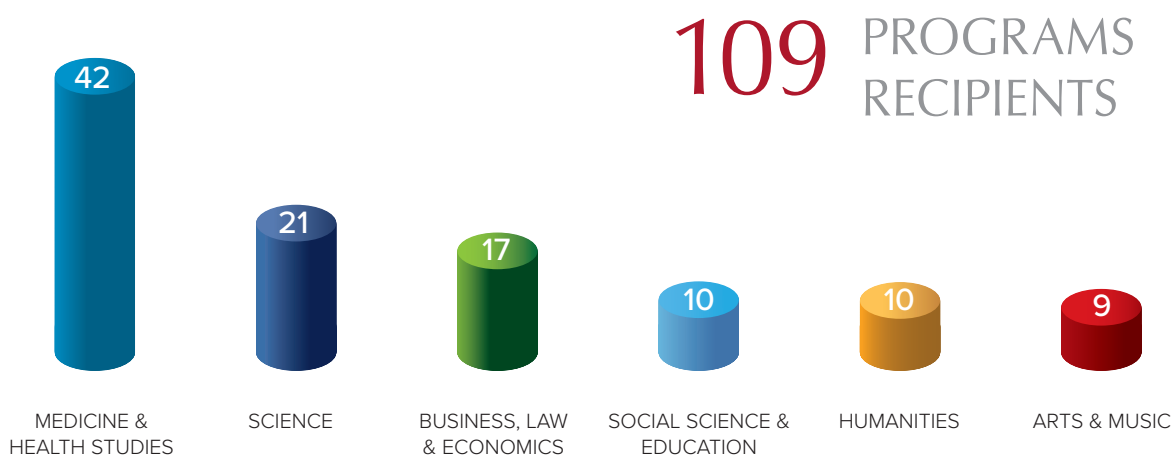
109 students received tuition scholarships for their undergraduate and graduate studies in the US and Poland for the academic year 2023/2024. The total for Domestic Scholarships awarded to Americans for the academic year 2023/2024 and scholarships administered by the Kosciuszko Foundation on behalf of other organizations is **\$376,700**.

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AWARDED IN TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS



DOMESTIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

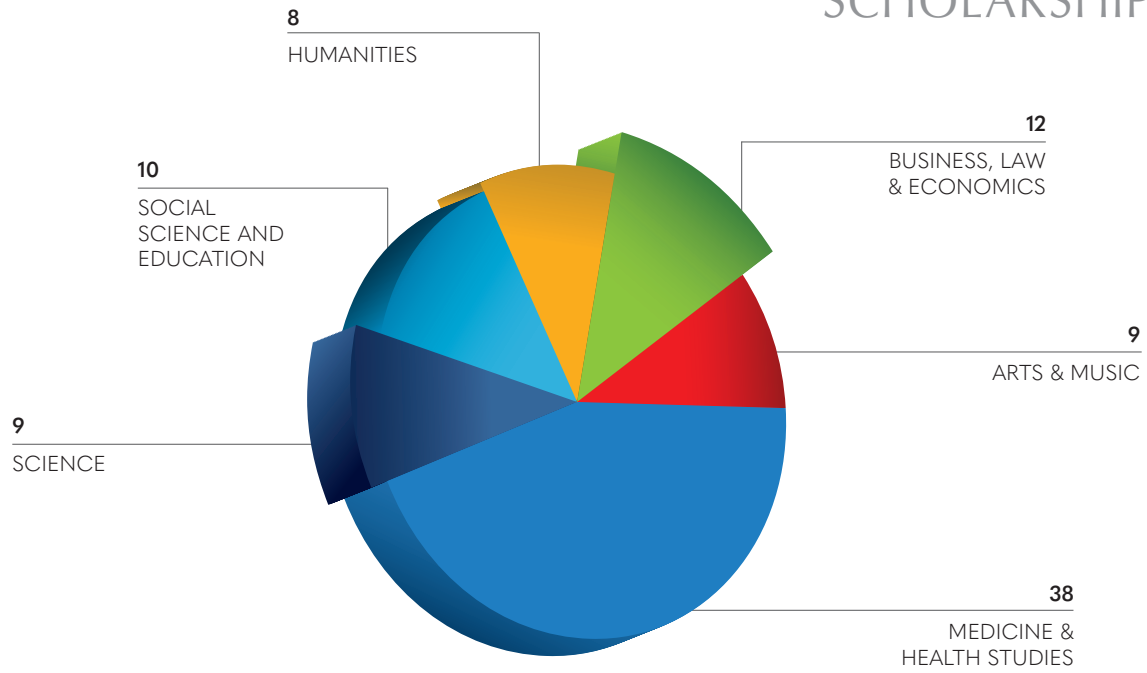
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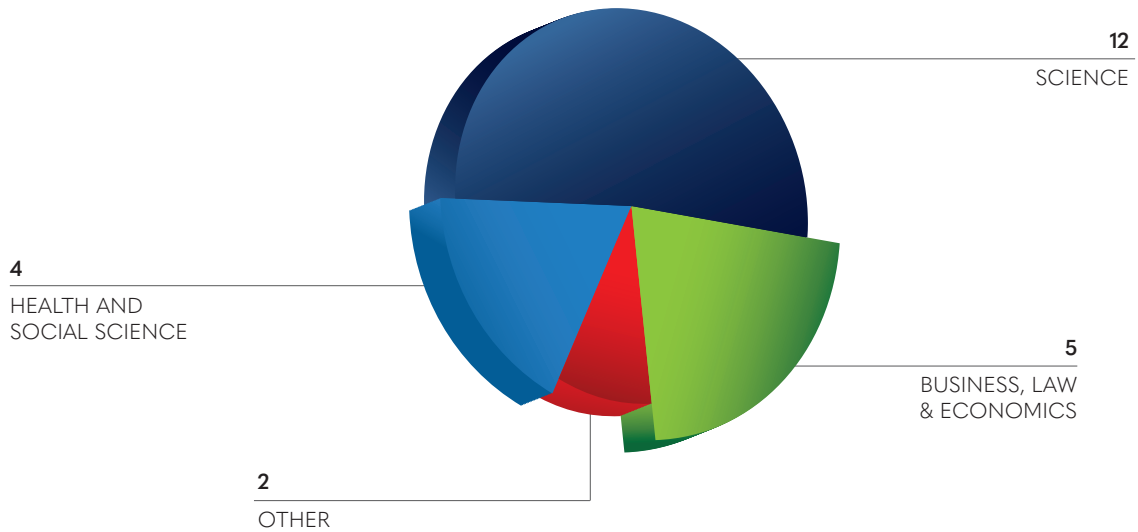
KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION'S DOMESTIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATE STUDIES:	\$327,500
UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES:	\$49,200
Massachusetts Federation of Polish Women's Clubs:	\$0,000
Janette Nieciecka Scholarship:	\$8,000
Polish American Club of North Jersey:	\$4,200
Dr. Jamrs and Wanda Trefil Scholarship in the Natural Sciences:	\$5,000
Other Funds:	\$32,000
TOTAL:	\$376,700
EXCHANGE TO POLAND PROGRAMS	
Studies and Research	\$9,200
Year Abroad	\$12,250
TOTAL:	\$21,450

86 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



23 UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



GRADUATE STUDIES

MEDICINE AND HEALTH STUDIES

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
ACKIEWICZ DANIEL <i>of Leola, PA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Health Administration Program (IUG), PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, University Park, PA.
BONDAROWICZ JUSTIN <i>of Parsippany, NJ</i>	STANLEY WASIL	\$2,500	for the first year of studies in Medicine, JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY, Cracow, Poland.
BORATYN VERONICA <i>of Arlington Heights, IL</i>	NOWICKI	\$4,000	for the first year of studies in Medicine, BOSTON UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA.
BORSUK DANIEL <i>of Arlington Heights, IL</i>	FRANK AND BARBARA KOSAK	\$6,000	for the fourth year of studies in Medicine, CHICAGO MEDICAL SCHOOL, Chicago, IL
BUNKOWSKI KLAUDIA <i>of Manville, NJ</i>	RICHARD SOBIERAJ	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Physician Assistant Program, ARCADIA UNIVERSITY, Glenside, PA.
BURIAN, ALISSA <i>of Gainesville, GA</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$2,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Physician Assistant, PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE, Suwanee, GA.
CAUTHORN ANNE <i>of Evanston, IL</i>	EDWIN I. HARASIMOWICZ	\$4,000	for the first year of studies in Medicine, ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY, North Chicago, IL.



I wanted to express my gratitude for selecting me as one of the recipients of the Richard Sobieraj Scholarship from the Kosciuszko Foundation. I am very thankful for your support in my education and future career plans. Your support of students of Polish descent like myself is greatly appreciated.

KLAUDIA BUNKOWSKI

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
CHMIELEWSKI STEPHANIE <i>of San Diego, CA</i>	TADEUSZ AND IRENA CIEPLAK	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Nursing Practice, XAVIER UNIVERSITY, Cincinnati, OH.
DABROWSKI OLGA <i>of Mount Prospect, IL</i>	NOWICKI	\$4,000	for the second year of studies in Prosthodontics, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, PA.
DABEK KINGA <i>of East Ruth Rutherford, NJ</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$6,000	for the third year of studies in Dental Medicine, RUTGERS SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE, Newark, NJ.
DUDEK CAIN <i>of Harrisburg, PA</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$2,000	for the third year of studies in Medicine, PENN STATE UNIVERSITY, Hershey, PA.
GEORGES DANIELLA <i>of Irvine, CA</i>	TADEUSZ AND IRENA CIEPLAK	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Physical Therapy, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, CA.
GUMIENIAK ANDZELIKA <i>of Wallington, NJ</i>	THE DR. S. DZIEJMA	\$4,000	for the third year of studies in Dentistry, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY DENTAL SCHOOL, New York, NY
HARDEJ ISABELLA <i>of Austin, TX</i>	JOSEPHINE AND IGNATIUS WALL MEMORIAL	\$3,000	for the first year of studies in Medicine, BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, Nashville, Houston, TX.
HELON JESSICA <i>of Roselle, IL</i>	DR. CONSTANCE K. GRAY	\$7,000	for the first year of studies in Medicine, LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, STRITCH SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, Maywood, IL
JARMULA JAKUB <i>of Bartlett, IL</i>	FRANK AND BARBARA KOSAK	\$6,000	for the third year of studies in Medicine, CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY, Cleveland, OH.

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RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
ITRICH JOANNA <i>of Raleigh, NC</i>	TADEUSZ AND IRENA CIEPLAK	\$3,000	for the third year of studies in Veterinary Medicine, NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE, Raleigh, NC
KALATA KAROLINA <i>of Chicago, IL</i>	DR. CONSTANCE K. GRAY	\$5,000	for the second year of studies in Medicine, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN, Milwaukee, WI
KALINOWSKI MEGAN <i>Des Plaines, IL</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$3,000	for the third year of studies in Medicine, of SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, Saint Louis, MO
KATAN OLIVIA <i>of Brooklyn, NY</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$5,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Communication Sciences and Disorders, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, NY
KATZMAN ELI <i>of Silver Spring, MD</i>	NOWAK	\$2,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Clinical Social Work , SMITH COLLEGE, Northampton, MA
KRAUSSE ALLESANDRA <i>of Palmetto, FL</i>	ANTHONY AND ROZALIA IRACKI MEMORIAL	\$4,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Clinical Social Work and Public Health, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, Miami, FL
KUBACKI ALEXANDER <i>of Settle, WA</i>	TADEUSZ AND IRENA CIEPLAK	\$5,000	for the fourth year of studies in Medicine, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, Burlington, VT
KUCHARCZYK-SWAMY ANETA <i>of Seattle, WA</i>	KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION	\$4,000	for the first year of studies in Nursing, JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, MD
LASTOWIECKA NATALIA <i>of Rolling Meadows, IL</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Speech Language Pathology, THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, Columbus, OH

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MAKAREWICZ NATHAN <i>of Salt Lake City, UT</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$4,000	for the fourth year of studies in Medicine, STANFORD MEDICAL SCHOOL, Stanford, CA
MATREJEK DANIELLE <i>of Wilson, NC</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$3,000	for the third year of studies in Veterinary Medicine, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, Athens, GA
MCCORMACK EMILIA <i>of Westfield, NJ</i>	KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION	\$4,000	for the second years of studies in Medicine, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, Newark, NJ
MIENKO ANNA <i>of Rego Park, NY</i>	JOSEPHINE AND IGNATIUS WALL MEMORIAL	\$3,000	for the first year of studies in Osteopathic Medicine, NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Old Westbury, NY
MUSUNGU YENGE MARTA <i>of Ridgewood, NY</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$4,000	for the first year of doctorate studies in Speech Pathology, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, New York NY.
NECKA SANDRA <i>of Romeoville, IL</i>	SOPHIA GRODZICKA	\$4,000	for the second year of studies in Medicine, JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGIUM MEDICUM, Cracow, Poland.
NOWINSKI VICTORIA <i>of Broad Channel, NY</i>	SOPHIA GRODZICKA	\$4,000	for the sixth year of studies in Medicine, POZNAN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, Poznan, Poland.
OPPMANN ALEKSANDRA <i>of Scottsdale, AZ</i>	EDWIN I. HARASIMOWICZ	\$3,000	for the third year of studies in Medicine, MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF GDANSK, Gdansk, Poland.
POEHLER EMMA <i>of Richmond, VA</i>	JOSEPHINE AND IGNATIUS WALL MEMORIAL	\$2,000	for the first year of studies in Osteopathic Medicine, EDWARD VIA COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE, Blacksburg, VA.
POZNANSKA JUSTYNA <i>of Griswold, CT</i>	NOWICKI	\$3,000	for the fourth year of studies in Medicine, UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, Poznan, Poland.

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SMYK ALEKSANDER <i>of Forest Hills, NY</i>	JOSEPHINE AND IGNATIUS WALL MEMORIAL	\$4,000	for the first year of studies in Dentistry, TOURO COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE, Valhalla, NY.
WEDEL NICOLE <i>of Clifton, NJ</i>	FRANK AND BARBARA KOSAK	\$6,000	for the third year of studies in Medicine, ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, Bronx, NY.
ZACHWIEJA ZANETA <i>of Elmwood Park, NJ</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$5,000	for the third year of studies in Veterinary, LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY POST, Greenvale, NY.

SCIENCE

HEL COSKI RYAN <i>of Logan, UT</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$3,000	for the second year of doctoral studies in Ecology, UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY, Logan, UT
KORNAJ MAYA <i>of Stamford, CT</i>	THE POLISH HERITAGE SOCIETY FUND OF CONNECTICUT	\$5,000	for the fourth year of studies in Molecular, Cellular, Development Biology, YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, CT
NOSOWITZ JONATHON <i>of Hicksville, NY</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$4,000	for the fourth year of doctorate studies in Physics, THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, Washington, DC
MARKOWICZ ADAM <i>of Woodbury, MI</i>	EDWARD SCOTT J. FAMILY ENDOWMENT	\$5,000	for the second year of doctorate studies in Bioengineering, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN, Champaign, IL
MATUCH CINDY <i>of Santa Cruz, CA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$2,000	for second year of graduate studies in Costal Science and Policy, University of California, CA

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
PIWKO ALEXANDER <i>of Tallahassee, FL</i>	JEROME AND MARY STRAKA	\$3,000	for the fourth year in doctoral studies in Biochemistry, FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, Tallahassee, FL
SZCZEPANKIEWICZ DANIEL <i>of Urbana, IL</i>	RICHARD SOBIERAJ	\$4,000	for the fifth year of doctoral studies in Organic Chemistry, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, Urbana, IL.
WYSOCZYNSKI KAJETAN <i>of Folsom, CA</i>	STAN LESNY	\$6,000	for the second year of doctoral studies in Biomedical Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Davis, CA
ZAWADA STEPHANIE <i>of Tucson, AZ</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$4,000	for the fourth year of doctoral studies in Biomedical Science, MAYO CLINIC COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE, Scottsdale, AZ

BUSINESS, LAW, AND ECONOMICS

BENBENEK JULIA <i>of Park Ridge, IL</i>	RICHARD ADAMIAK	\$5,000	for the first year of studies in Law, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL, Chicago, IL
DAWICKI ERIN <i>of Halifax, MA</i>	RICHARD ADAMIAK	\$7,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Business Administration, MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Cambridge, MA



“I am so grateful to receive this scholarship. As a US citizen of Polish descent, it brings me immense pride to be able to share this news with my family. Leaving a career to pursue further education while being a parent to two young girls was not an easy decision. Foundations such as the Kosciuszko Foundation are so vital. As interest rates continue to rise and the price of education remains high, it is concerning that gifted students may not see higher education as a feasible path. Scholarship Foundations provide a critical funding bridge...and hope for students facing this massive financial decision.”

ERIN DAWICKI

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DURZYNSKI ANNA <i>of Bradenton, FL</i>	FLOYD & IRENE MCKAIN/ JOHN GENZA AND HELEN GENZA	\$5,000	for the first year of studies in Law, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, Miami, FL
GRABOWSKI LUKASZ <i>of Ringwood, NJ</i>	RICHARD ADAMIAK	\$7,000	for the third year of studies in Law, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Cambridge, MA
GRODZKA OLIVIA <i>of Hilo, HI</i>	FLOYD & IRENE MCKAIN/ JOHN GENZA AND HELEN GENZA	\$5,000	for the second year of studies in Law, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, RICHARDSON SCHOOL OF LAW, Honolulu, HI
GROMADZKI BRANDON <i>of Charlotte, NC</i>	ARTHUR AND GENEVIEVE ROTH	\$3,000	for the first year in graduate studies in Personal Financial Planning, TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY, Lubbock, TX
KALUTA JULIA <i>of Great Neck, NY</i>	EDWARD SCOTT J. FAMILY ENDOWMENT	\$5,000	for the second year of studies in Law, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF LAW, Chapel Hill, NC
STANTON JOY <i>of Atkinson, NH</i>	NOWAK	\$4,000	for the first year of studies in Law, MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL OF LAW, Andover, MA
SUDRZYNSKI ALEXANDER <i>of Algonquin, IL</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$4,000	for the second year of studies in Law, CHICAGO-KENT COLLEGE OF LAW, Chicago, IL
TYMINSKA WERONIKA <i>of Lawrenceville, NJ</i>	CHYLINSKI I	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Accounting and Business Intelligence and Analytics, SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY, Philadelphia, PA
WYPARLO WERONIKA <i>of Lawrenceville, NJ</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$3,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Accounting, SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY, Philadelphia, PA
ZOLTEK KRZYSZTOF <i>of Willow Spring, IL</i>	RICHARD SOBIERAJ	\$3,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Leadership and Finance, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, Iowa City, IA

SOCIAL SCIENCE AND EDUCATION

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
AUGUSTIN CATHERINE <i>of Jersey City, NJ</i>	DR. IRENE S. PYSZKOWSKI	\$5,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Elementary Education, UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX, Phoenix, AZ
BUGAJ, MARZENA <i>of Lakewood, FL</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$2,000	for the third year of graduate studies in Educational Leadership, NORTH CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, Scottsdale, AZ
COPICH MIRA <i>of Pittsburgh, PA</i>	RICHARD ADAMIAK	\$4,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Social Work, Policy Practice, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, Chicago, IL
KANICKI OLIVIER <i>of Ann Arbor, MI</i>	CHYLINSKI I	\$4,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Human and Organization Performance, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, Nashville, TN
KARBOWIAK ROSEMARIE <i>of Twinsburg, OH</i>	MARY B. CALKA	\$4,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Social Work, CLEVELAND UNIVERSITY, Cleveland, OH
KLONOWSKI MICHAELA <i>of Lincolnshire, IL</i>	ANTHONY AND ROZALIA IRACKI MEMORIAL	\$3,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Social Work, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI
KOSCIELNIAK ZUZANNA <i>of Chicago, IL</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$2,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Forensic Psychology, THE CHICAGO SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, Chicago, IL
SADKOWSKI KAROL <i>of Cedar Falls, IA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in International Education Policy and Management, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, Nashville, TN
SLIWA HANNAH <i>of Lemont, IL</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$3,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Social Work, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI

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RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
STALENYJ ANNA <i>of Piscataway, NJ</i>	ZIELINSKI FAMILY	\$3,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Teaching, MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, Montclair, NJ

HUMANITIES

GROTH PHILIP <i>of Santa Cruz, CA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$3,000	for the fourth year of doctoral studies in Philosophy, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Santa Cruz, CA
HAHAMOVITZ REYNOLDS <i>of Athens, GA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$3,000	for the fifth year of doctorate studies in History, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, MI
KURDULA PATRYK <i>of Wallington, NJ</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$2,000	for the second year in graduate studies in History, DREW UNIVERSITY, Madison, NJ
MAKOWSKI MAREK <i>of Lake in the Hills, IL</i>	LEON A. AND PAT BABULA	\$4,000	for the fourth year of doctoral studies in Literary Studies, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, Madison, WI
MOORE ALYSSA <i>of Maple Groove, MN</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$5,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Archives and Public History, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, New York, NY
REESE ABIGAIL <i>of Chicago, IL</i>	RICHARD ADAMIAK	\$5,000	for the third year of doctorate studies in U.S. and Public History, LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, Chicago, IL
RICH KATIE <i>of Saint Louis, MO</i>	ZACHARIASIEWICZ JOURNALISM	\$5,000	for the second year of studies in Media Communications, WEBSTER UNIVERSITY, Saint Louis, MO
SMIECINSKA, NADIA <i>of Richmond, CA</i>	RICHARD SOBIERAJ	\$3,000	for the last year of doctoral studies in Sociology, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Davis, CA

ARTS AND MUSIC

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
CARNEY AVA <i>of Chicago, IL</i>	KAZIMIERA ADRIAN ADRIANOWSKA	\$1,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Fine Art, Studio Ceramics, THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO, Chicago, IL
DUDEK PETER <i>of Lake Zurich, IL</i>	EDWARD RZUCIDLO PIANO AND VIOLIN	\$3,500	for the second year of graduate studies in Viola Performance, THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL, New York, NY
EARLY KATY <i>of Brooklyn, NY</i>	CHYLINSKI I	\$4,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Theater Directing, BROOKLYN COLLEGE, Brooklyn, NY
JASIEWICZ CHRISTOPHER <i>of Pittsburgh, PA</i>	MICHAEL TWAROWSKI	\$3,000	for the third year of graduate studies in Violin Performance, SAN FRANCISCO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC, San Francisco, CA
NELSON CHRISTOPHER <i>of Rolling Hills Estates, CA</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$4,000	for the second year of graduate studies in Violin Performance, BARD COLLEGE, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
SMOLIJ MATILDA <i>of Sugar Land, TX</i>	EDWIN I. HARASIMOWICZ	\$3,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Music, Vocal Performance, RICE UNIVERSITY, Houston, TX
WIDGORTZ JONATHAN <i>of Scottsdale, AZ</i>	SOFIA DEMBIA	\$4,000	for the first year of graduate studies in Cinematic Arts, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, CA
WIRSHBA CARLE <i>of Plainview, NY</i>	DR. CONSTANCE K. GRAY	\$2,500	for the fourth year of doctorate studies in Music, RODGERS UNIVERSITY, New Brunswick, NJ
WOJTAS YVONNE <i>of Estero, FL</i>	STANISLAS CHYLINSKI	\$2,000	for the third year of graduate studies in Fashion, THE NEW SCHOOL, New York City, NY

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

SCIENCE

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
ADAMCZYK MACIEJ <i>of New York, NY</i>	SOPHIA DEMBA	\$3,000	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Biochemistry, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, Stony Brook, NY.
CZARTORYJSKI JACOB <i>of Dunellen, NJ</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$3,000	for the undergraduate freshman year majoring Computer Science, PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, Princeton, NJ.
DAVIS JULIA <i>of Mount Pleasant, PA</i>	GENERAL LEO J. DULACKI ENDOWMENT	\$2,000	for the first year in undergraduate studies in Biology, MOUNT ALOYSIUS COLLEGE, Cresson, PA.
JAKUBOWSKI MARK <i>of Bridgewater, NJ</i>	POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NEW JERSEY	\$800	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Biological Science, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, New Brunswick, NJ.
MCNULTY RACHEL <i>of Abingdon, VA</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$3,000	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Biomedical Science, LIBERTY UNIVERSITY, Lynchburg, VA,
MOCZERNIUK IDA <i>of Fairfield, CT</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$2,000	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Biology, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE, Easton, PA.
OLSZEWSKA ELIZA <i>of Oradell, NJ</i>	POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NEW JERSEY	\$600	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Biological Science, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, Pittsburg, PA.
RUSZALA, GABRIEL <i>of Fairfield, NJ</i>	POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NEW JERSEY	\$1,000	for the third year of undergraduate studies in Computer Science, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, New Brunswick, NJ

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
SALEWSKI NOAH <i>of Parkesburg, PA</i>	DRS. JAMES AND WANDA TREFIL	\$5,000	for the third year of undergraduate studies in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE, Gettysburg, PA.
STANCZAK ALEXANDRA <i>of Alhambra, CA</i>	KAZIMIERA ADRIAN ADRIANOWSKA	\$1,000	for the third year of undergraduate studies in Human Biology, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, CA.
USZYNSKI, ALEXANDER <i>of Amarillo, TX</i>	GENERAL LEO J. DULACKI ENDOWMENT	\$3,000	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Biology, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, Richardson, TX
VARGYAS CECILIA <i>of Naperville, IL</i>	JEANETTE NIECIECKA	\$1,000	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Biology, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, Columbus, OH.

BUSINESS, LAW, AND ECONOMICS

BODYL ANNA <i>of Howell, MI</i>	GENERAL LEO J. DULACKI ENDOWMENT	\$2,000	for the second year in International Business Management, NIAGARA UNIVERSITY, Levingston, NY.
GACH MICHAEL <i>of Burr Ridge, IL</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$4,000	for the first year of undergraduate studies in Finance, LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, Chicago, IL.



“I am truly honored to have been selected as the recipient of the Drs. James and Wanda Trefil Scholarship for the 2023–2024 Fall and Spring semesters. Thank you for your incredible generosity. Without this scholarship, continuing my studies during my junior year at Gettysburg College would have been extremely difficult. Your support has made a significant difference in my life, and I am deeply grateful. Attending Gettysburg College and working in Dr. Powell’s lab has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I take my education very seriously, and I promise that your investment in me will not be in vain. I also hope that one day I will be in a position to give back and support other students, just as you have supported me.”

NOAH SALEWSKI

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DOMESTIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
STRAMA DIANA <i>of Wallington, NJ</i>	JEANETTE NIECIECKA	\$3,000	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Quantitative Finance, STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Hoboken, NJ.
WAC, PATRICK <i>of Toms River, NJ</i>	JEANETTE NIECIECKA	\$1,000	for the second year of studies in Business Administration, SETON HALL UNIVERSITY, South Orange, NJ.
ZON IZABELLA <i>of Cedar Grove, NJ</i>	POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NEW JERSEY	\$800	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Criminal Justice, MARIST COLLEGE, Poughkeepsie, New York.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

HULAK NIKOLA <i>of Pennington, NJ</i>	JEANETTE NIECIECKA	\$3,000	for the undergraduate freshman year majoring in Speech-Language Pathology, SETON HALL UNIVERSITY, South Orange, NJ.
KULIKOWSKI ANNA <i>of Glen Head, NY</i>	STEPHANIE MUCHA	\$3,000	for the third year of graduate studies in Nursing, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, New York, NY.
PISAREK MAX <i>of Forrest Hills, NY</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$3,000	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Human Science, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, Washington, DC.
SZCZEPANKIEWICZ CATHERINE <i>of Hopkinton, MA</i>	KAZIMIERA ADRIAN ADRIANOWSKA	\$1,000	for the undergraduate junior year majoring in Nursing, FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY, Steubenville, OH.

OTHER

RECIPIENT'S NAME	SCHOLARSHIP FUND	AMOUNT	SUBJECT OF RESEARCH/STUDY
BYSTROWSKA MARTA <i>of Washington TWP, NY</i>	POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF NEW JERSEY	\$1,000	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Politics History, THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, Washington, DC.
OSIPINSKI MILENA <i>of Garden City, NY</i>	STANISLAW CHYLINSKI	\$2,000	for the second year of undergraduate studies in Architecture Design, NEW INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Westbury, NY.

2023/2024 academic year EXCHANGE PROGRAMS TO POLAND

The Kosciuszko Foundation's Exchange Program to Poland provides U.S. citizens with opportunities to conduct research at various universities in Poland and to study Polish at the Jagiellonian University.

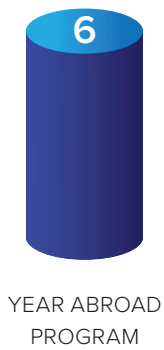
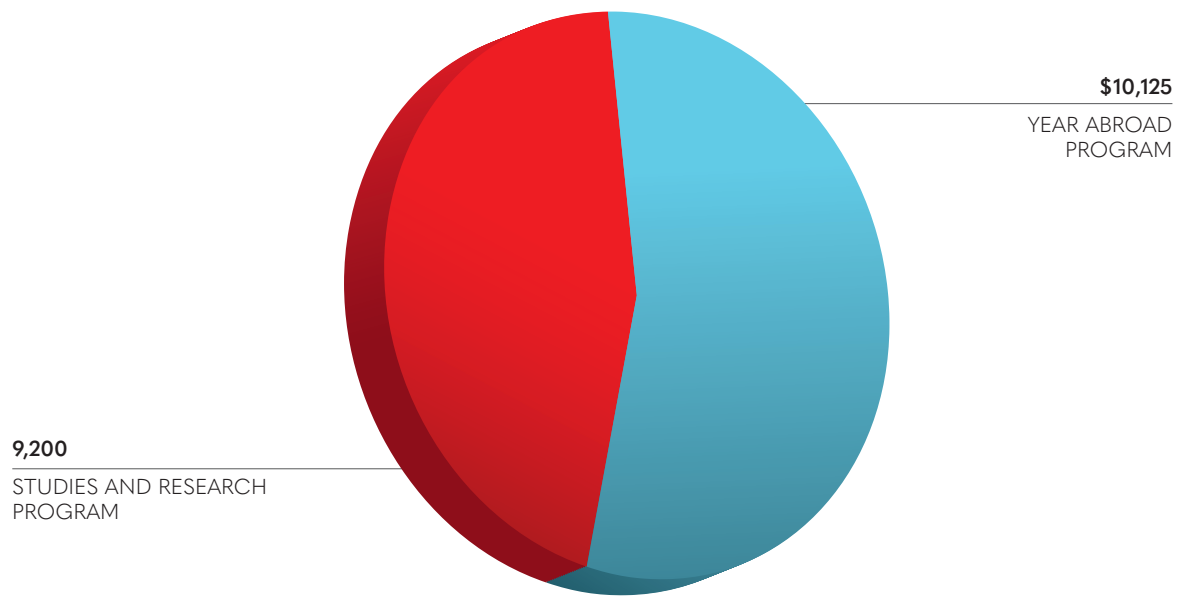
Candidates in these programs receive joint funding from the National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) and from the Kosciuszko Foundation. In the academic year 2023/2024 NAWA provided a monthly stipend of 1,600 PLN per month for housing and living expenses for both programs. Students in the Year Abroad Program also received a tuition waiver at the discretion of the Rector of the Jagiellonian University.

In addition to funding from NAWA of **\$31,600**, the Kosciuszko Foundation awarded grants to each STUDIES AND RESEARCH candidate in the amount of **\$400** per month for the approved period of studies/research not to exceed nine months. YEAR ABROAD PROGRAM candidates received grants of **\$1,125** per semester, from the Kosciuszko Foundation, awards were made for one semester or a full academic year.

The Kosciuszko Foundation awarded a scholarship of **\$9,200** for the STUDIES AND RESEARCH PROGRAM for the academic year spanning Fall 2023 to Spring 2024. In addition, funding for the YEAR ABROAD PROGRAM during the same period amounted to **\$11,250**. This brings the total funding available for both programs to **\$20,450**, which was provided through the Mary Wysocki Scholarship Fund.

All applications for Exchanges Programs to Poland were screened for completeness and eligibility by the Kosciuszko Foundation's Grants Department and approved by President and Executive Director, Marek Skulimowski. Studies/Research candidates must provide a clear and well-defined proposal for their study and research projects and must submit an invitation from the Polish educational institution where their studies and research projects are to be conducted. Year Abroad applicants must demonstrate motivation for pursuing studies in Poland as related to their educational and professional goals.

\$20,450 AWARDED IN GRANTS



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GRANT RECIPIENTS

2023/2024 academic year

THE YEAR ABROAD PROGRAM

JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY CENTER

FOR POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN THE WORLD

■ JOHN DI LASCIO

Austin, TX

M.A. in Russian and Eastern
European Studies,
University of Texas

\$2,250

Fall 2023/Spring 2024

■ JOSEPH MATALA

Schenectady, NY

B.Sc. in Business,
Wells College B.A.

\$2,250

Fall 2023/Spring 2024

■ KENT NINOMIYA

Round Rock, TX

B.A. in History & Government,
University of Texas

\$2,250

Fall 2023/Spring 2024

■ VERONICA WALINSKI

Milwaukee, WI

B.Sc. in Exercise Physiology,
Marquette University

\$1,125

Fall 2023

■ AMELIA WROBLEWSKI

Denver, CO

M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction in
Literacy, University of Colorado

\$2,250

Fall 2023/Spring 2024

■ KIERAN STENSON

Palm Harbor, FL

B.A. in History,
Florida State University

\$1,125

Spring 2024

2023/2024 academic year

GRADUATE/POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN POLAND

■ TERESA BANDOSZ

Distinguished Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, City College of New York

\$1,200

3 months grant to test a broad range of surface interactions/adsorption forces, including in-situ changes upon selective adsorption, in separation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) at Marie Curie –Skłodowska University.

■ LYONS FRANKEE

Ph.D. student in Philosophy in Modern Eastern European History, University of Illinois

\$3,600

9 months grant to conduct archival research in Lower Silesia for her dissertation entitled Jewish Belonging and the 'Polish Road to Socialism,'1953-60 at University of Wrocław

■ PAWEŁ HITCHENKO

Professor, Department of Mathematics, Drexel University

\$1,200

3 months grant to carry out research on the interface of probability theory, statistics, and combinatorics at Warsaw University of Technology.

■ PAUL MOKRZYCKI

Research Associate, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

\$1,600

4 months grant to conduct a community-based research study with immigrants, refugees, and residents of different communities across Wrocław from July 1st to November 1st at the University of Wrocław.

■ DAVID RUBINSTEIN

Ph.D. student in History, Cornell University

\$1,600

4 months grant to research mass resettlement and coal mining in post-1945 Wałbrzych, the subject of his doctoral dissertation at the University of Wrocław.

2023

SUMMER STUDIES ABROAD

TOMASZKIEWICZ-FLORIO SCHOLARSHIPS

Established in 1970, the Kosciuszko Foundation Summer Study Abroad Program has provided scholarships to almost two thousand students, enabling them to participate in Polish Language programs offered by the Polish universities.

This program offers summer language courses and culture programs at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow and the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin. Successful candidates of Polish descent

receive Tomasziewicz-Florio or Wisconsin Study in Poland Scholarships. Candidates must have a minimum 3.00 GPA and be 18 by the first day of the program. Students submit an essay, letters of recommendation, and transcripts. This year, the Kosciuszko Foundation provided scholarships totaling **\$31,415 to 18 students**.

For detailed information regarding the Kosciuszko Foundation Summer Studies Abroad Scholarships, please visit our website **at: www.thekf.org**.

THE JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE, KRAKOW

FOUR- WEEK PROGRAM:

CONRAD BAJDA, *of East Meadow, NY*

OLIVIA CWALINSKI, *Holden, MA*

ANIELA KIETA, *Chicago, IL*

VICTORIA SIEBOR, *Brooklyn, NY*

AMELIA WAZIO, *Clearwater, FL*

THREE-WEEK PROGRAM:

RENE BIELUCH, *Wayne, NJ*

FILIP KAMINSKI, *Kearny, NJ*

JULIA KOLENDA, *Linden, NJ*

KAYA OWCZAREK, *Glenview, IL*

JADWIGA PARKER, *San Francisco, CA*

FILIP SZATAN, *Palm Harbor*

JULIA MACIEJEK, *Brooklyn, NY*

ZOFIA MULLER - HINNANT, *Dearborn, MI*

EMILY SZELEST, *Worcester, MA*

JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, LUBLIN

THREE WEEK PROGRAM:

OWEN PULLIS

Royal Oak, MI

CHASE MACKIEWICZ

Perrysburg, OH

NOAH SINGER

West Springfield, MA

SAMANTHA BEAVER

Middle Village, NY

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2026 SUMMER STUDIES ABROAD
WILL BE OPEN IN SPRING 2026.



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CHAPTER FIVE

TEACHING
ENGLISH
in POLAND
PROGRAM





TEACHING ENGLISH IN POLAND 2024

The Kosciuszko Foundation Teaching English in Poland Program (TEIP) manifests the Foundation's enduring commitment to fostering cultural exchange and educational opportunities between the United States and Poland. Established in 1991, this program has played a pivotal role in enhancing English language instruction in Poland, benefiting countless students and educators over the years.

In 2024, with the support of **77** dedicated American volunteers, the Kosciuszko Foundation Poland and the Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc. in New York, organized nine summer camps in different cities across Poland for **671** children! The camps were located in northern and south-eastern Poland, and each camp was two weeks long. The camps were situated in MIŁAKOWO, KRAKÓW, RAKSZAWA, BASZNIA DOLNA, CIESZANÓW, OLSZTYNEK, ZĄB, MIKOŁAJKI and ZAKOPANE.

During the camps, Polish and Ukrainian children could improve their English language skills and learn about the United States and its culture through different activities, including sports, art, and cultural projects. Also, Ukrainian and Polish children learned about each other's culture and history and made lifelong friendships. In the current situation

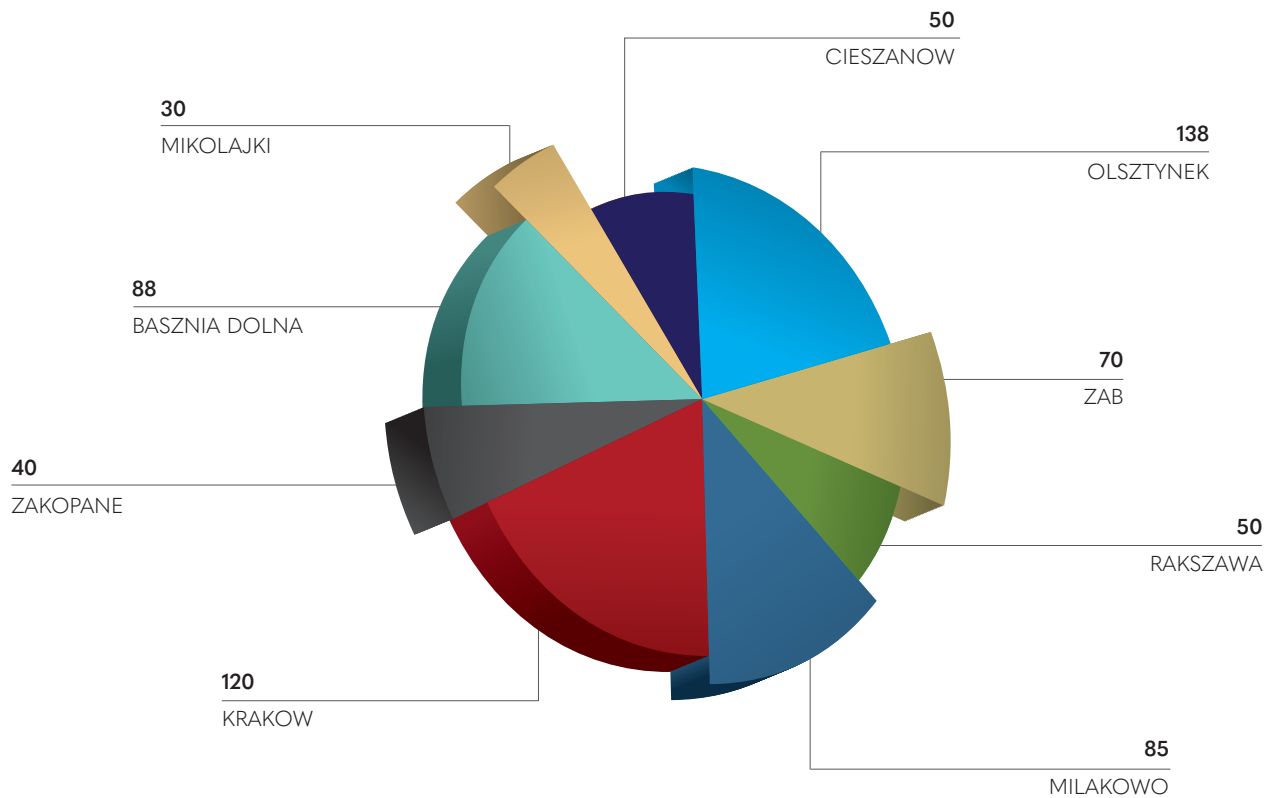
in Ukraine, Ukrainian children were provided with protection and a sense of safety and stability.

Thanks to our generous donors, we have been able to organize the TEIP Program for more than 30 years with numerous volunteers and students. Since its conception, thousands of American volunteers have attended the TEIP Program and experienced the beauty of Polish culture in almost 150 summer camps nationwide. The TEIP program also lets American volunteers acquaint themselves with the Polish people, history, language, culture, and educational system.

The 2024 TEIP program was coordinated by ANNA GRABOWSKA, the TEIP Program Director and Lena Kossobudzka, the TEIP Program Manager, with support from GRAŻYNA CZETWERTYŃSKA, Ph.D., President of the Kosciuszko Foundation Poland, and ALEKSANDRA KUJAWSKA, Office Director and Program Manager. In New York, MALGORZATA DYMKOWSKA, Scholarship and Grant Officer coordinated the program.

Co-financing partners of the TEIP Program were the Foundation for the Development of Education System (FRSE) and the Polish American Freedom Foundation.

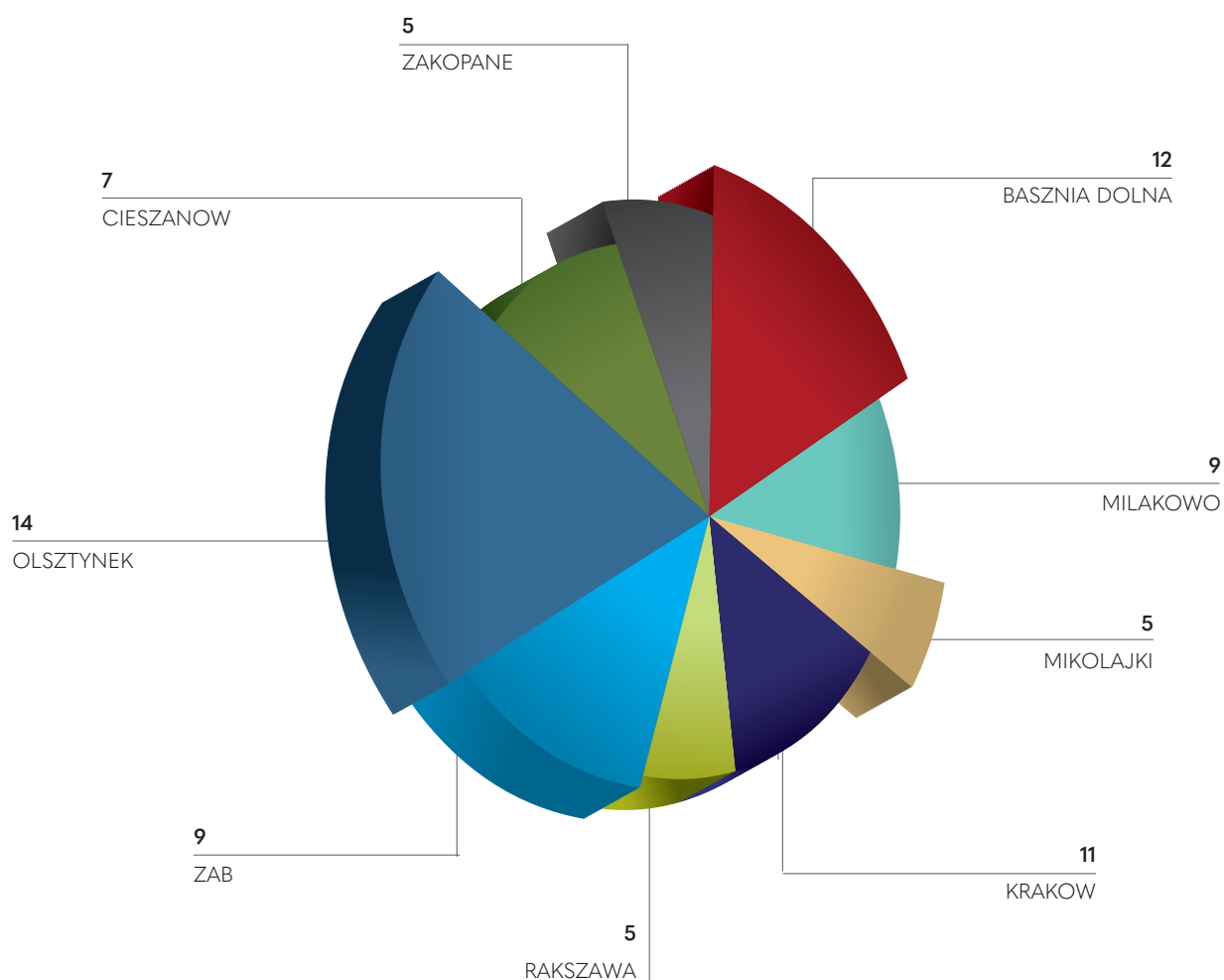
671 CAMP PARTICIPANTS



9 CAMP LOCATIONS

77 VOLUNTEERS

Teachers and Teaching Assistants





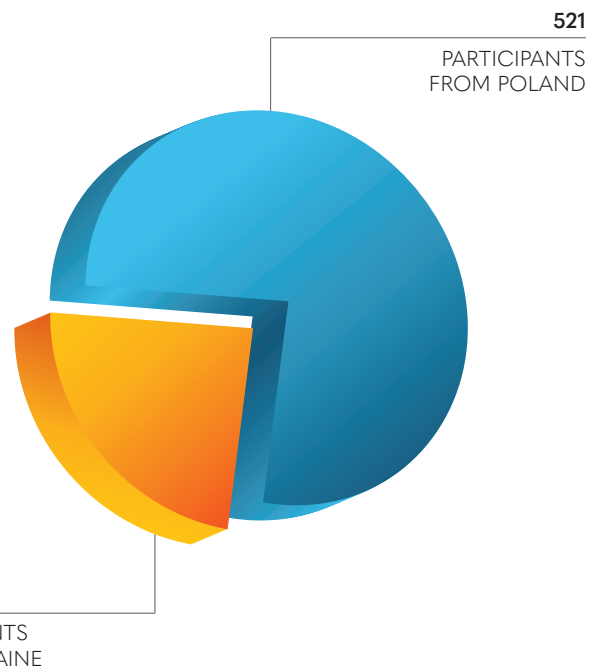
KEY NUMBERS

- **30+ YEARS OF SERVICE:** TEIP boasts an impressive track record, having operated for more than three decades. This longevity speaks to the program's enduring impact and success.
- **1000+ AMERICAN VOLUNTEER TEACHERS:** Throughout its history, TEIP has facilitated the placement of over 1000 American teachers in Polish summer camps.
- **10,000+ STUDENTS:** The program has directly impacted the lives of over 10,000 students by providing them with access to high-quality English language instruction.

As TEIP looks to the future, its commitment to excellence remains unwavering. The program seeks to expand its reach to benefit more Polish and Ukrainian children and empower American educators to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world.

“TEIP has allowed me to learn about the history and culture of Poland while getting to work with some absolutely amazing Polish students and staff. The kids are so eager to learn and the staff is incredibly helpful. Thanks to TEIP I’ve made lifelong friends both in Poland and all over the US that I’m truly thankful for.”

JEFF M.





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CHAPTER SIX

ANNUAL
DINNER
and BALL



Welcome to
The Kosciuszko Foundation
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87th THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION ANNUAL DINNER & BALL

Honoring **KRIS KEMPCZINSKI**, *President and CEO of McDonald's Corporation*

On April 20, 2024, the Kosciuszko Foundation hosted its Annual Dinner & Ball—an evening that celebrated the institution's legacy, its vibrant community of alumni, and its upcoming centennial. This elegant event, held at the Plaza in New York City, served as both a tribute to the Foundation's past and a preview of its bright future.

The program highlighted the extraordinary individuals who have helped shape the Foundation's enduring success. In his remarks, Alex Storozynski, Chairman of the KF Board of Trustees, reflected on the organization's storied history—from its founding by Stephen Mizwa to the support of luminaries like Albert Einstein and Maria Skłodowska-Curie.

KF President and Executive Director Marek Skulimowski recognized the accomplishments of the Foundation's scholarship, fellowship, and grant recipients, including renowned sculptor Prof. Magdalena Abakanowicz, economist and reformer Prof. Leszek Balcerowicz, and U.S. Ambassador to Poland Mark Brzezinski.

The 2024 Medal of Recognition was awarded to Chris Kempczinski, President and CEO of McDonald's Corporation and a former KF Tuition Scholarship

recipient, for his achievements in business and commitment to community leadership. He attended with his wife, Heather, and spoke about the power of education in shaping his family's journey from Poland to America.

Kempczinski reflected on his Polish heritage with pride, emphasizing values like family, work ethic, and resilience. He praised McDonald's Poland for supporting Ukrainian refugees through employment and relief initiatives.

Before the Ball, Kempczinski visited the Kosciuszko Foundation's Manhattan headquarters, toured the historic Van Alen Mansion, and met with leadership.

The event was attended by esteemed guests including Adrian Kubicki, Consul General of the Republic of Poland in New York, and Consul Ewa Pietrasienska. The evening, hosted by KF Vice President Barbara Bernhardt, featured the return of the beloved debutante presentation, with four young women introduced to the community during a classic waltz.

As the Kosciuszko Foundation neared its centennial, the Annual Ball once again affirmed the power of shared heritage, philanthropy, and community in building a stronger future.



Members of the KF Board of Trustees



Far Left:
KF Trustee, Krystyna Piórkowska,
Marian Zak and his wife

Left:
Andre Zlotnicki and Alice Hazel
Rosas Garcia

Right:
Hanna Kristina Bancroft, Isabella
Storozynski and Alicja Julia Mochnacka

Below:
Paweł Żuchowski with his wife Lidia
Krawczuk, KF VP Barbara Bernhardt
and Consul Ewa Pietrasieńska with her
husband Dr. Paweł Pietrasieński



Left:
Journalist Marcin Wrona
with his partner



Right:
KF Trustee Stephen
Kusmierczak with
his wife Jamie



Below:
 Bozenna Marquart Hasztrakiewicz, Chris Kempczinski,
 Ashley Nealis, KF Trustee Robert Dziublowski

Right:
 Mariola Olbinski and friend

Below:
 Teresa Lyson and
 Krzysztof Lyson, KF
 Washington DC Polish
 Film Festival Board
 Memebrs



Above:
 Paweł Żuchowski with KF Chairman
 of the Board Alex Storozynski

Left:
 Adrian Kubicki,
 Consul General of Poland

Right: Barbara Bernhardt, KF VP,
 Master of Ceremony



Above: KF President Marek Skulimowski
 and KF Medal of Recognition recipient
 Chris Kempczinski

Left:
 KF 2024 Debutantes



Above Left:
KF Vice President Ewa
Zadworna with Lubomila and
Zbigniew Smolkowicz

Above: Polish American
Folk Dance Company

Left:
Norman Kelker, KF Trustee, Hanna Chroboczek Kelker
and KF Poland President Grazyna Czetwertynska

Bellow Left:
Zbigniew Chrzanowski, KF Trustee, Eve Rubinstein,
photographer, and Jerzy Czubak, KF Trustee

Bellow right: KF President Marek Skulimowski
with his wife Agnieszka and Chris Kempczinski
with his wife Heather



Right: Consul General of Poland
Adrian Kubick with his wife and
Marcin Bolec and his wife

Far Right:
Chris Kempczinski and
Agnieszka Storozynski





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CHAPTER SEVEN

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



2023/2024 online and in-person KF NYC CULTURAL EVENTS

MUSIC



On **OCTOBER 12, 2023**, the Kosciuszko Foundation welcomed the **CHARTER OAK STRING QUARTET**, a project of the Connecticut Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, for

the recital featuring music spanning four centuries. The musicians: an award-winning conductor, violinist, artist, and educator, Adrian Sylveen, violinist Sandro Ladu, violist & composer Jonathan Kane, and cellist Zachary Sears presented the program of works by Phillip Glass, Ludwig van Beethoven, Jozef Elsner, Jakub Kowalewski, and Karol Szymanowski.



Acclaimed Chamber Musicians from Poland, **MAGDALENA MOLENDOWSKA**, soprano, and **BARTLOMIEJ WEZNER**, piano gave a stunning recital of works by

Polish composers: Mieczyslaw Weinberg, Roman Ryterband, Fryderyk Chopin, Ignacy Jan Paderewski, and Mieczyslaw Karłowicz on **DECEMBER 7, 2023**, at the Ko 0.125 in Kosciuszko Foundation's House in NYC.



A standing ovation was given to soprano **YOHJI DAQUIO** and pianist **NICHOLAS KAPONYAS**, both recent graduates of the Mannes School of Music, following their recital, presented on

FEBRUARY 15, 2024. The program featured some of the most beautiful arias, art songs, and selections of works by Frederic Chopin and Grazyna Bacewicz.



On **JUNE 9, 2024**, we welcomed a piano virtuoso, one of Poland's most versatile pianists and composers, **ALEKSANDER DĘBICZ**. In full house

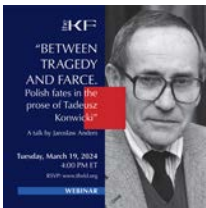
attendance, he performed a program of Chopin improvisations and his own compositions.

LITERATURE

We continued, started in 2021, a webinar series dedicated to Polish literature. Since our previous newsletter, the speaker, Jaroslaw Anders, a Polish literary critic, author, and translator, gave three talks that delved into the lives and body of work of some of the most notable literary figures in Poland's modern history. They are as follows:



OCTOBER 23, 2023 - "The defeated guilty lived on in their victims:" *Ashes and Diamonds* by Jerzy Andrzejewski



MARCH 19, 2024 – "Between Tragedy and Farce: Polish fates in the prose of Tadeusz Konwicki"



OCTOBER 1, 2024 - "In our time only farce is possible:" *Sławomir Mrożek and the Shades of Absurdity*

The lecture about Sławomir Mrożek marked the tenth episode in the webinar series presented in collaboration with the Polish Program at CUNY, Hunter College. Each episode was recorded and is now available to the public on

the KF YouTube channel KosciuszkoTV.

HISTORY RELATED EVENTS



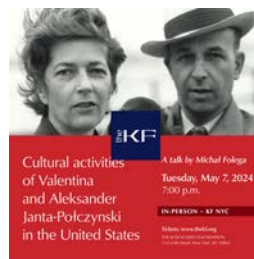
On **NOVEMBER 8, 2023**, the Kosciuszko Foundation opened the exhibition "TRAILS OF HOPE," telling the story of Polish soldiers and civilians during World War II. Following the simultaneous attack by Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia,

and overwhelmed by larger armies, the Poles were down but not out and continued the fight from Siberia, the Middle East, Africa, the Battle of London, over the English Channel, and across Europe to help defeat Adolf Hitler's regime. The exhibition was produced, sponsored, and presented with Poland's Institute of National Remembrance.



The outcome of the Russo-Ukrainian war will shape the security of all of Europe. If the Kremlin succeeds in its genocidal war to subjugate the Ukrainian nation, Poland may be

next. This concern is not new for Poland, and the roots of its ongoing support for Ukraine may be traced back to the concepts of prometheism and 20th-century Polish attempts at mobilizing nationalism against Moscow in the Soviet borderlands. What was prometheism, and how does it continue to shape Poland's foreign policy? How was this doctrine pursued by Polish and Ukrainian émigrés during the Cold War? How does Putin's regime react to efforts at mobilizing nationalism in post-Soviet states? These questions were addressed during the webinar "PROMETHEISM AND POWER: MOBILIZING NATIONALISM TO CONFRONT THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE", held by the Foundation on **JANUARY 30, 2024**, and featuring as speakers Olga Avdeyeva, Ph.D. of Loyola University, Marcel Garboś, Ph.D. of the University of Aberdeen, and Maciej Olchawa, Ph.D., KF Scholar at Loyola University who served as the discussion moderator. The webinar recording is streaming on the KF YouTube channel KosciuszkoTV.



On **MAY 7, 2024**, we hosted at the Foundation a talk titled "CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OF VALENTINA AND ALEKSANDER JANTA-POŁCZYNSKI IN THE UNITED STATES" by Michal Folega, a researcher and author of

publications about the life and work of the Janta Polczynski family. Valentina Janta-Polczynska was a secretary to the Polish Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Armed Forces, General Władysław Sikorski,

during World War II, translator and organizer of aid to Polish prisoners of war and concentration camp inmates in the American occupation zone in Germany in 1945-1946. Aleksander Janta-Połczynski was a writer, traveler, journalist, and creator of Polish reportage in the interwar period. After the war, the Janta-Połczynskis settled in the US, promoting Polish culture, language, and literature. Their home in New York became the center of Polish social life in America, and Polish scientists and writers, including the later Nobel laureate Czesław Miłosz, visited them.

■ POLISH-AMERICANS

In early 2024, we hosted two webinars with researchers studying Polish-Americans. On **FEBRUARY 22, 2024**, DR. DOMINIK STECUŁA, an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Colorado State University, who also serves as the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Piast Institute in Michigan, a National Center for Polish and Polish American Affairs, discussed “**POLISH AMERICAN TODAY**,” a short book on the Polish American community based on a 2020 survey which he designed and fielded with the Piast Institute. It is currently the only national survey of Polish Americans and offers the most detailed empirical look at the community. In this talk, Stecula discussed a comprehensive picture of American Polonia with a focus on the Polish American community’s politics, demographics, identities, and cultural activities.

On **MARCH 26, 2024**, the Foundation invited esteemed historians Prof. Anna Jaroszynska-Kirchmann and Prof. James Pula to discuss their most recent book: “**POLISH AMERICAN VOICES: A DOCUMENTARY HISTORY, 1608-2020**.” This volume presents 145 primary source documents of Polish immigrants from different waves and backgrounds speaking about their lives, concerns, and viewpoints in their own voices while they grapple with

issues of identity and strive to make sense of their lives in the context of migration. The book provides students and scholars with a broad understanding and an incentive for future study of the Polish experience in the United States. Dr. Anna Mazurkiewicz moderated the discussion.



On **APRIL 6, 2024**, the Kosciuszko Foundation organized a networking event for Polish-American students and young professionals from various fields and areas of study. The event

featured the presentation by **KAROLINA GUJSKA**, a global e-commerce director at Infosys, and showcased artworks by accomplished artist and FIT student Ariela Koziej.

■ SCIENCE



On **APRIL 5, 2024**, the Kosciuszko Foundation and the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America (PIASA) presented a joint event honoring distinguished Polish-

American scientists **PROF. TOMASZ WIERZBICKI** of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and **PROF. ALEX WLODAWER** of the Center for Cancer Research, National Cancer Institute, Frederick, MD, USA. The program featured a presentation of the PIASA’s Tadeusz Sendzimir Award in Applied Sciences to Prof. Wierzbicki and Casimir Funk Awards to Prof. Wlodawer and a short lecture delivered by each laureate. The event is presented as part of the KF Collegium of Eminent Scientists Lecture Series.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

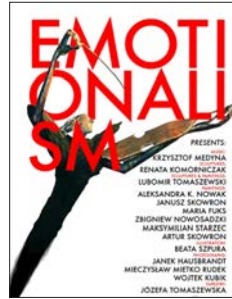
We hosted a few fun-filled gatherings for the youngest members of our Polish-American community and their parents. On **DECEMBER 2, 2023**, the Foundation's house welcomed children who sang **POLISH AND AMERICAN CHRISTMAS CAROLS**, made their miniature crèche and ornaments, and enjoyed holiday refreshments and a visit from a very special guest – Swiety Mikolaj himself, with a special gift for each child! The event was organized by the Polish Girls Scout Council "Hufiec Podhale" with the cooperation of "Hufiec Warmia"

On **JANUARY 7, 2024**, we held "SANTAS... SANTAS...", "a full house event run under the artistic direction of Teresa Rysztof, featuring an art exhibit and Christmas carols sung by young artists. On **MARCH 17**, we welcomed talented children and youth who presented their storytelling skills in the contest organized by the Polish-American Teachers Association and Marie Sklodowska Curie Professional Women's Association. On **MAY 12**, Philip Kwoka, winner of the special award in the KF 2019 Chopin Piano Competition, gave a short piano recital at the "MASTER AND STUDENT" event, which featured instrumental and vocal performances by young presenters.



ART EXHIBITIONS

The Foundation's cultural program offered much to visual art enthusiasts. On **MAY 30**, we opened the exhibition **EMOTIONALISM**, showcasing sculptures



by Renata Komorniczak and Lubomir Tomaszewski, paintings by Aleksandra K. Nowak, Janusz Skowron, Maria Fuks, and others; illustrations by Beata Szpura; photographs by Janek Hausbrandt, Mieczyslaw Mietko Rudek, and Wojtek Kubik; and tapestry by Jozefa Tomaszewska. The event also featured a jazz performance by saxophonist Krzysztof Medyna.

Founded in 1994 by Lubomir Tomaszewski, Emotionalists is a multi-disciplinary movement focused on rekindling emotional expression in art. Their works have been shown internationally and at major U.S. institutions, including Harvard and Seton Hall.

OTHER EVENTS



2024 marks 30 years since the first official U.S. congressional bill recognizing International Women's Day, initiated by Polish-American actress **BEATA POŹNIAK**.

Known for her roles in JFK and Babylon 5, Poźniak is also a poet, narrator, and filmmaker. On **MARCH 5**, the Kosciuszko Foundation hosted her for a discussion on her advocacy and artistic career, featuring poetry readings and short films. The event was moderated by Joy McManigal and included opening remarks by NYS Human Rights Commissioner Maria Imperial. Special thanks to Krystyna Piorkowska for her support.

The Kosciuszko Foundation is grateful to Ms. Krystyna Piorkowska for her generous contribution to support the cultural events.



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CHAPTER EIGHT

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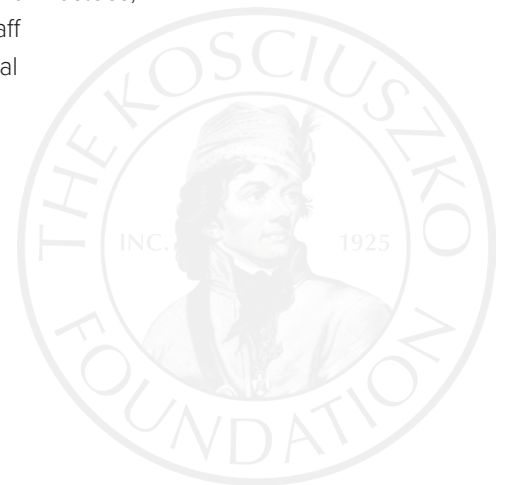
THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The National Advisory Council is composed of several individual members of the Kosciuszko Foundation, as well as presidents of the Kosciuszko Foundation's nine Chapters. The Council is designed to benefit from broad representation throughout the United States providing the Board of Trustees with valuable advice on how to expand membership and donations, by highlighting and discussing current trends amongst the Foundation's target groups, and developing ideas on how to attract new membership and donations given these trends. Its members are longtime Foundation members who have their finger on the pulse of the Foundation, its philosophy, and its future.

CHAPTERS OF THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION

The Kosciuszko Foundation chapters play a vital role in maintaining the Foundation's reputation as a nationwide organization. Run strictly by local volunteers who commit considerable time and effort to the task of soliciting members in their geographic areas, organizing local concerts, awards banquets, and other key fundraising events, representatives of nine Kosciuszko Foundation Chapters act as local ambassadors, promoting the Foundation's mission in local regions.

Through the participation of local chapter presidents on the National Advisory Council, chapters also help keep the Board of Trustees, officers, and staff informed of local trends in local communities.



The Pro Arte League

THE PRO ARTE LEAGUE

For all those visitors to the Foundation House who find it an aesthetic and hospitable place to visit, they can thank the Pro Arte League.

Founded by women members of the Kosciuszko Foundation in 1970 with a mission to raise funds for the preservation and beautification of the public rooms for the Kosciuszko Foundation house, the Pro Arte League has played an indispensable role in keeping the Foundation House in its current pristine condition. Beginning with fashion show fundraisers in the early part of its history, the League now uses its annual fundraising luncheon as a showcase for young Polish-American musicians and other fine Polish and Polish American performing artists.

THE POLISH AMERICAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION



Polish American Teachers Association (PATA) was founded in 1973 in order to help accurately inform the American public about Poland and the role and contributions of Polish Americans in American society. PATA's relationship with the Kosciuszko Foundation began shortly after its formation.

PATA sponsors a rich schedule of events and activities, including essay and visual arts competitions. One of its more popular programs includes a storytelling competition, during which students of Polish heritage who attend Polish supplementary schools gather at the Kosciuszko Foundation in March to tell stories from Polish folklore.

PATA also holds the popular Annual Mikolajki / St. Nicholas Day celebration, which teaches children about traditional Polish Christmas celebrations. PATA has also been a reliable supporter of the Foundation's Teaching English in Poland Program through regular cash contributions as well as Program volunteers.



October	2569 \$
November	2758 \$
December	2947 \$
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CHAPTER NINE

AUDIT
REPORTS

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION
Consolidated Financial Statements
JUNE 30, 2024

Product Type 4	Product Type 5	Product Type 6
1298 \$	1456 \$	1872 \$
1438 \$	1525 \$	1941 \$
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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Trustees of
The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc., (the "Foundation"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 and the related consolidated statements of activities, cash flows and functional expenses for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc. as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Foundation and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Independent Auditor's Report
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Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but not absolute assurance, and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users made on the basis of these financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.



January 14, 2025
New York, NY

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Financial Position
June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 638,639	\$ 1,074,602
Contributions and other receivables	217,980	329,289
Prepaid expenses and other assets	182,598	63,253
Interest and dividends receivable	80,645	40,091
Investments	48,455,763	42,802,823
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	2,006,342	2,031,141
Art collections	2,396,820	2,364,812
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	1,680,649	1,550,430
	<u>\$ 55,659,436</u>	<u>\$ 50,256,441</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 121,278	\$ 98,264
Scholarships and grants payable	-	16,314
Funds on deposit	18,596	-
Deferred revenue	9,343	7,500
	<u>149,217</u>	<u>122,078</u>
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	9,469,380	7,993,936
With donor restrictions		
Time or purpose restricted	20,458,353	16,812,470
Endowment funds	25,582,486	25,327,957
Total With donor restrictions	<u>46,040,839</u>	<u>42,140,427</u>
	<u>55,510,219</u>	<u>50,134,363</u>
	<u>\$ 55,659,436</u>	<u>\$ 50,256,441</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions			Total
		Time or Purpose	Endowment Funds	Total	
Revenues, support, and gains:					
Contributions	\$ 1,782,028	\$ 1,585,007	\$ 124,310	\$ 1,709,317	\$ 3,491,345
In kind donations	-	32,008	-	32,008	32,008
Other programs and functions	447,516	-	-	-	447,516
Membership dues	229,951	-	-	-	229,951
Rental income	99,120	-	-	-	99,120
Net investment return	537,620	4,621,047	-	4,621,047	5,158,667
Other income	54,276	21,436	-	21,436	75,712
Net change in beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	-	-	130,219	130,219	130,219
Net assets released from restrictions	2,613,615	(2,613,615)	-	(2,613,615)	-
Total revenue, support and gains	5,764,126	3,645,883	254,529	3,900,412	9,664,538
Expenses:					
Program services:					
Scholarships and grants	2,020,057				2,020,057
Cultural and educational programs	672,564				672,564
Warsaw office	315,842				315,842
Washington Center	323,181				323,181
Fundacja Kosciuszkowska Polska	58,861				58,861
Total program services	3,390,505				3,390,505
Supporting services:					
Administrative and general	405,486				405,486
Development	492,691				492,691
Total supporting services	898,177				898,177
Total expenses	4,288,682	-	-	-	4,288,682
Change in Net Assets for Year	1,475,444	3,645,883	254,529	3,900,412	5,375,856
Net Assets, beginning of year	7,993,936	16,812,470	25,327,957	42,140,427	50,134,363
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 9,469,380	\$ 20,458,353	\$ 25,582,486	\$ 46,040,839	\$ 55,510,219

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions			Total
		Time or Purpose	Endowment Funds	Total	
Revenues, support, and gains:					
Contributions	\$ 456,714	\$ 964,813	\$ 318,056	\$ 1,282,869	\$ 1,739,583
Donated art	15,600	-	-	-	15,600
In-kind donations	8,900	-	-	-	8,900
Other programs and functions	348,149	11,990	(3,244)	8,746	356,895
Dictionary/books	104	-	-	-	104
Membership dues	229,502	-	-	-	229,502
Rental income	94,380	-	-	-	94,380
Net investment return	255,426	3,033,682	-	3,033,682	3,289,108
Other income	69,980	42,183	-	42,183	112,163
Net change in beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	-	-	25,958	25,958	25,958
Net assets released from restrictions	2,621,755	(2,621,755)	-	(2,621,755)	-
Total revenue, support and gains	4,100,510	1,430,913	340,770	1,771,683	5,872,193
Expenses:					
Program services:					
Scholarships and grants	1,894,261				1,894,261
Cultural and educational programs	559,762				559,762
Warsaw office	435,768				435,768
Washington Center	215,561				215,561
Fundacja Kosciuszkowska Polska	55,007				55,007
Total program services	3,160,359				3,160,359
Supporting services:					
Administrative and general	351,516				351,516
Development	379,288				379,288
Total supporting services	730,804				730,804
Total expenses	3,891,163	-	-	-	3,891,163
Change in Net Assets for Year	209,347	1,430,913	340,770	1,771,683	1,981,030
Net Assets, beginning of year	7,784,589	15,381,557	24,987,187	40,368,744	48,153,333
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 7,993,936	\$ 16,812,470	\$ 25,327,957	\$ 42,140,427	\$ 50,134,363

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 5,375,856	\$ 1,981,030
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used in operating activities:		
Net unrealized and realized gains on investments and change in perpetual trusts	(4,242,541)	(2,355,547)
Depreciation	129,772	91,431
Endowment contributions	(124,310)	(318,056)
Stock gifts	(1,107,594)	(1,261,699)
In-kind donations	(32,008)	(15,600)
Other changes in assets and liabilities:		
Contributions and other receivables	111,309	1,088,150
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(119,345)	19,210
Interest and dividends receivable	(40,554)	(11,409)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, and deferred revenue	24,857	(5,980)
Scholarships and grants payable	(16,314)	7,564
Funds on deposit	18,596	(18,278)
	(22,276)	(799,184)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of investments	(18,757,450)	(25,925,374)
Proceeds from sales of securities	18,277,607	23,176,800
Change in short-term investment cash	46,819	3,200,522
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(104,973)	(14,649)
	(537,997)	437,299
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Endowment contributions	124,310	318,056
	124,310	318,056
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(435,963)	(43,829)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,074,602	1,118,431
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 638,639	\$ 1,074,602

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Scholarships and Grants	Cultural and Educational Programs	Warsaw office	Washington Center	Fundacja Kosciuszkowska Polska	Total Program Services
Salaries	\$ 167,706	\$ 157,218	\$ 82,276	\$ 125,141	\$ -	\$ 532,341
Employee benefits	24,407	36,771	36,522	29,071	-	126,771
Total personnel costs	192,113	193,989	118,798	154,212	-	659,112
Scholarships and grants	1,724,120	-	134,316	-	51,705	1,910,141
Program cost	8,156	286,868	5,745	104,359	533	405,661
Office and house supplies	305	1,091	3,878	1,973	431	7,678
Postage	700	975	93	700	10	2,478
Professional fees	-	-	7,567	-	841	8,408
Telephone	1,313	1,314	394	3,962	44	7,027
Insurance	-	4,110	340	10,631	38	15,119
Service fees	3,561	8,541	18,287	5,904	2,324	38,617
Property tax	-	-	-	8,319	-	8,319
Travel and entertainment	2,331	9,469	2,886	2,933	321	17,940
Promotional expenses	1,050	1,694	-	100	-	2,844
Printing	107	22,262	11	5,452	-	27,832
Equipment rental and repair	-	-	-	4,260	-	4,260
Electricity and heat	-	-	106	7,074	12	7,192
Other	-	226	-	185	-	411
K.F. chapter expenses	-	54,883	-	-	-	54,883
Warsaw office rental	-	-	23,421	-	2,602	26,023
	1,933,756	585,422	315,842	310,064	58,861	3,203,945
Depreciation	-	-	-	13,117	-	13,117
Total expenses before allocation	1,933,756	585,422	315,842	323,181	58,861	3,217,062
Allocation of K.F. house	86,301	87,142	-	-	-	173,443
Total expenses - 2024	<u>\$ 2,020,057</u>	<u>\$ 672,564</u>	<u>\$ 315,842</u>	<u>\$ 323,181</u>	<u>\$ 58,861</u>	<u>\$ 3,390,505</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Total Program Services	Administrative and General	Development	Operation of K.F. House	Total Supporting Services	Total 2024
Salaries	\$ 532,341	\$ 134,307	\$ 195,987	\$ 109,813	\$ 440,107	\$ 972,448
Employee benefits	126,771	39,908	48,809	30,722	119,439	246,210
Total personnel costs	659,112	174,215	244,796	140,535	559,546	1,218,658
Scholarships and grants	1,910,141	-	-	-	-	1,910,141
Program cost	405,661	-	-	-	-	405,661
Office supplies	7,678	1,247	1,118	4,526	6,891	14,569
Postage	2,478	1,226	8,812	-	10,038	12,516
Professional fees	8,408	86,636	-	-	86,636	95,044
Telephone	7,027	2,495	1,315	1,561	5,371	12,398
Insurance	15,119	11,271	-	27,703	38,974	54,093
Service fees	38,617	36,639	16,350	6,369	59,358	97,975
Property tax	8,319	-	-	-	-	8,319
Travel and entertainment	17,940	9,704	14,172	110	23,986	41,926
Promotional expenses	2,844	-	92,826	-	92,826	95,670
Printing	27,832	50	2,811	-	2,861	30,693
Equipment rental and repair	4,260	-	-	39,207	39,207	43,467
Electricity and heat	7,192	-	-	25,003	25,003	32,195
Other	411	3,743	525	-	4,267	4,678
K.F. chapter expenses	54,883	-	-	-	-	54,883
Warsaw office rental	26,023	-	-	-	-	26,023
	3,203,945	327,226	382,725	245,014	954,964	4,158,909
Depreciation	13,117	-	-	116,655	116,655	129,772
Total expenses before allocation	3,217,062	327,226	382,725	361,669	1,071,619	4,288,681
Allocation of K.F. house	173,443	78,260	109,966	(361,669)	(173,443)	-
Total expenses - 2024	<u>\$ 3,390,505</u>	<u>\$ 405,486</u>	<u>\$ 492,691</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 898,176</u>	<u>\$ 4,288,681</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Scholarships and Grants	Cultural and Educational Programs	Warsaw office	Washington Center	Fundacja Kosciuszkowska Polska	Total Program Services
Salaries	\$ 157,642	\$ 147,356	\$ 54,069	\$ 96,917	\$ -	\$ 455,984
Employee benefits	21,888	42,184	30,115	28,533	-	122,720
Total personnel costs	179,530	189,540	84,184	125,450	-	578,704
Scholarships and grants	1,615,300	12,804	296,705	-	51,762	1,976,571
Program cost	13,995	202,934	6,053	25,877	-	248,859
Office supplies	261	1,067	693	110	77	2,208
Postage	1,208	8,995	168	1,627	19	12,017
Professional fees	-	-	1,799	-	200	1,999
Telephone	1,138	1,038	376	3,359	42	5,953
Insurance	-	-	283	5,932	31	6,246
Supplies	-	-	337	2,607	37	2,981
Cleaning service	-	-	690	815	77	1,582
Service fees	2,448	7,762	4,145	11,083	572	26,010
Property tax	-	-	-	7,539	-	7,539
Travel and entertainment	2,347	8,633	1,190	5,283	132	17,585
Promotional expenses	1,209	293	2,020	198	-	3,720
Printing	-	19,874	2,585	6,941	-	29,400
Equipment rental and repair	-	-	-	346	-	346
Electricity and heat	-	-	127	7,465	14	7,606
Repair and maintenance	-	-	-	780	-	780
Outside services	-	-	16,020	-	-	16,020
Subscriptions	1,587	2,171	-	149	-	3,907
Other	-	-	-	275	-	275
K.F. chapter expenses	-	25,218	-	-	-	25,218
Warsaw office rental	-	-	18,393	-	2,044	20,437
	1,819,023	480,329	435,768	205,836	55,007	2,995,963
Depreciation	-	-	-	9,725	-	9,725
Total expenses before allocation	1,819,023	480,329	435,768	215,561	55,007	3,005,688
Allocation of K.F. house	75,238	79,433	-	-	-	154,671
Total expenses - 2023	<u>\$ 1,894,261</u>	<u>\$ 559,762</u>	<u>\$ 435,768</u>	<u>\$ 215,561</u>	<u>\$ 55,007</u>	<u>\$ 3,160,359</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Total Program Services	Administrative and General	Development	Operation of K.F. House	Total Supporting Services	Total 2023
Salaries	\$ 455,984	\$ 104,971	\$ 176,877	\$ 101,020	\$ 382,868	\$ 838,852
Employee benefits	122,720	27,874	39,173	23,906	90,953	213,673
Total personnel costs	578,704	132,845	216,050	124,926	473,821	1,052,525
Scholarships and grants	1,976,571	-	-	-	-	1,976,571
Program cost	248,859	-	-	-	-	248,859
Office supplies	2,208	168	3,944	-	4,112	6,320
Postage	12,017	1,260	4,761	-	6,021	18,038
Professional fees	1,999	112,450	-	-	112,450	114,449
Telephone	5,953	3,668	1,172	1,411	6,251	12,204
Insurance	6,246	15,302	-	30,334	45,636	51,882
Supplies	2,981	207	-	5,469	5,676	8,657
Cleaning service	1,582	-	-	-	-	1,582
Service fees	26,010	13,648	21,168	5,641	40,457	66,467
Property tax	7,539	-	-	-	-	7,539
Travel and entertainment	17,585	6,518	17,996	92	24,606	42,191
Promotional expenses	3,720	-	7,082	-	7,082	10,802
Printing	29,400	-	13,772	-	13,772	43,172
Equipment rental and repair	346	-	-	14,527	14,527	14,873
Electricity and heat	7,606	-	-	25,403	25,403	33,009
Repair and maintenance	780	-	-	11,304	11,304	12,084
Outside services	16,020	-	-	-	-	16,020
Subscriptions	3,907	6,877	2,800	75	9,752	13,659
Other	275	2,899	-	-	2,899	3,174
K.F. chapter expenses	25,218	-	-	-	-	25,218
Warsaw office rental	20,437	-	-	-	-	20,437
	2,995,963	295,842	288,745	219,182	803,769	3,799,732
Depreciation	9,725	-	-	81,706	81,706	91,431
Total expenses before allocation	3,005,688	295,842	288,745	300,888	885,475	3,891,163
Allocation of K.F. house	154,671	55,674	90,543	(300,888)	(154,671)	-
Total expenses - 2023	\$ 3,160,359	\$ 351,516	\$ 379,288	\$ -	\$ 730,804	\$ 3,891,163

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION, INC.
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
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Note 1 - Organization

The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation) was incorporated on December 23, 1925 as a charitable corporation under provisions of the not-for-profit corporation law of the State of New York. The Foundation has been established for educational, scholarship, and cultural purposes. Its objectives are to:

- a. Foster among the American people knowledge and appreciation of Polish culture, history, and traditions;
- b. Strengthen understanding, goodwill, and friendship between the people of the United States of America and the people of Poland by promoting closer educational and cultural relations;
- c. Enhance knowledge of the Polish contribution to world civilization in general and to America in particular;
- d. Encourage and promote the study of Polish culture, history, language, and traditions of the United States of America; and
- e. Foster among Americans of Polish ancestry a deeper understanding and appreciation of their cultural heritage, thereby enriching the pluralistic culture and traditions of the United States of America.

The Foundation conducts and/or sponsors programs, projects, and activities designed to support its purposes and objectives. Its primary sources of revenue are contributions and investment return.

Warsaw Office

The Foundation maintains an office in Warsaw as a representative office providing information about the Foundation's exchange program with the U.S. and provides assistance to Americans studying in Poland under the auspices of a Foundation sponsored program or activity.

Washington Center

The Foundation's Center in Washington D.C. promotes Polish culture in America and encourages cooperation between the United States and Poland. The Center houses a museum of Polish art that is open to the public daily, and provides a venue for local Polish-American events through a wide range of activities, including films, concerts, exhibitions, educational programs, publications, and seminars.

Polish Foundation

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, the Foundation filed in Poland Articles of Association under the Polish Foundation Act of April 4, 1984 to establish "The Kosciuszko Foundation Poland - Fundacja Kosciuszkowska Polska." This organization is controlled by the United States Kosciuszko Foundation and has similar purposes. All activities of this organization are reported to the U.S. organization and included in these consolidated financial statements. In March 2018,

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Note 1 – Organization (continued)

the Foundation and the Polish Foundation signed a cooperation agreement in order to facilitate and improve their continuing non-profit activities and cooperation.

Chapters

There are eleven Chapters of the Foundation: Florida, Michigan, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Washington, DC, Western New York (Buffalo), Chicago, Rocky Mountain (Denver), New England (Springfield), Texas (Houston), and Northeast Ohio (Cleveland).

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to not-for-profit organizations.

The Foundation's net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the net assets of the Foundation and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net assets without donor restrictions - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Net assets with donor restrictions – time or purpose - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that will be met either by actions of the Foundation, fulfillment of donors' stipulations, or the passage of time.

Net assets with donor restrictions - endowment - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the use of all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions. Gains and losses on investments and other assets or liabilities are reported as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law. Expirations of time or purpose restrictions (i.e., the donor-stipulated purposes have been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as net assets released from restrictions.

In kind contributions are normally used by the Foundation and not monetized.

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Scholarships and Grants

Scholarships and grants are reported as a liability and expense when the recipients have satisfied all conditions of acceptance.

Investments

Investments in equities, iShares and exchange traded mutual funds are valued using quoted market prices. Hedge funds are recorded at the net asset value provided by the funds. Realized gains are calculated by comparing proceeds to cost under the average cost method. Purchases or sales are recorded on a trade date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in the Foundation's checking accounts both in the United States and Poland.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, except for donated items, which are recorded at the fair value on the date of donation. Individual items costing under \$5,000 are not capitalized. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method. The number of years used in determining depreciation is as follows:

Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	3 - 7 years
Building and improvements	20 - 40 years

Income Taxes

The Foundation is exempt from Federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It is further classified as a publicly supported organization.

The Foundation recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not to be sustained. Management has determined that the Foundation has no uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement disclosure and/or recognition. The Foundation is no longer subject to examination by the applicable taxing jurisdictions for years prior to June 30, 2021.

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefitted. Salaries and benefits are allocated based on estimated time spent by employees. Cost of the K.F. House in New York are allocated based on salaries of New York employees.

Contributions Receivable

Unconditional promises to give (pledges) are reported as revenues in the period pledged. In the case of estates, the contribution is recorded when the will has been admitted to probate and the amount is reasonably determinable. Contributions expected to be received after one year are discounted to their present value. Amortization of the discount is recorded as an additional contribution in accordance with the donor-imposed restrictions, if any, on the contribution.

Art Collections

The Foundation has an extensive collection of artwork and other artifacts, which are the results of numerous donations over the years. Donated artwork or other artifacts are capitalized at their appraised or fair value on the accession date. If collection items are sold, the proceeds from the sale are used to acquire other collection items. Gains or losses on the deaccession of collection items are classified on the statements of activities as with or without donor restrictions, if any, at the time of accession.

In June 2015, the art collection in New York was appraised for insurance purposes and the fair value approximated \$5 million. The art collection at the Washington Center received during fiscal 2010 is recorded at approximately \$400,000.

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Foundation received a donation of a rare antique piano with an appraised value of \$95,000. It was originally anticipated that the Foundation would use the piano after making some repairs. Accordingly the piano was recorded as equipment. During 2022, the Foundation determined that the cost to repair the piano was too expensive. The piano was reclassified to art collection. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the Foundation received a painting appraised at \$32,008. The donor stipulated that the painting be exhibited at the NY headquarters, could not be sold and placed restrictions on the ability of the Foundation to loan the painting for extended periods. In 2023, the Foundation received \$15,600 of donated art.

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Note 3 - Investments

The cost and fair value of the Foundation's investments at June 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	2024		2023	
	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value
Cash	\$ 5,657,809	\$ 5,657,809	\$ 704,629	\$ 704,629
Fixed Income	12,546,182	11,962,362	16,328,180	15,470,944
Equities	16,405,934	23,392,689	16,300,553	19,861,907
Asset Allocation Fund	27,118	29,162	27,108	26,110
Alternative	6,825,648	7,413,741	7,106,188	6,739,233
	<u>\$ 41,462,691</u>	<u>\$ 48,455,763</u>	<u>\$ 40,466,658</u>	<u>\$ 42,802,823</u>

All investments are held in three investment pools. Pool A includes the endowment fund, the unappropriated net appreciation of those endowments, contributions without donor restrictions, and the appreciation on contributions without donor restrictions. Pool B includes short term investments for net assets with donor restrictions of The Michalina and Herman Zimmer Fund, and Pool C includes short-term investments for net assets with donor restrictions of the Polish American Club of North Jersey.

The following provides a rollforward of investment activities:

	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Total
Investments, July 1, 2022	<u>\$ 39,345,666</u>	<u>\$ 194,339</u>	<u>\$ 123,478</u>	<u>\$ 39,663,483</u>
Receipts available for investment	<u>1,261,699</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,261,699</u>
Net investment income	<u>3,266,618</u>	<u>5,853</u>	<u>5,170</u>	<u>3,277,641</u>
Amount appropriated for current operations	<u>(1,400,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,400,000)</u>
Investments, June 30, 2023	<u>42,473,983</u>	<u>200,192</u>	<u>128,648</u>	<u>42,802,823</u>
Receipts available for investment	<u>1,857,594</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,857,594</u>
Net investment income	<u>5,099,175</u>	<u>10,270</u>	<u>8,667</u>	<u>5,118,112</u>
Amount appropriated for current operations	<u>(1,322,766)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,322,766)</u>
Investments, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 48,107,986</u>	<u>\$ 210,462</u>	<u>\$ 137,315</u>	<u>\$ 48,455,763</u>

The participation in the pools and net asset classes of the investments at June 30, 2024 and 2023 is shown in the table below:

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Note 3 - Investments (Continued)

	2024			
	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Total
Endowment funds	\$ 23,414,704	\$ 180,000	\$ 95,587	\$ 23,690,291
Time or purpose restricted	20,022,482	16,119	24,759	20,063,360
Without donor restrictions	4,670,800	14,343	16,969	4,702,112
	\$48,107,986	\$ 210,462	\$ 137,315	\$ 48,455,763
	2023			
	Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Total
Endowment funds	\$ 23,196,172	\$ 180,000	\$ 95,587	\$ 23,471,759
Time or purpose restricted	15,978,204	8,659	21,533	16,008,396
Without donor restrictions	3,299,607	11,533	11,528	3,322,668
	\$ 42,473,983	\$ 200,192	\$ 128,648	\$ 42,802,823

Note 4 – Net Investment Income

The details of net investment income are:

	2024	2023
Dividends and interest	\$ 1,152,213	\$ 1,080,022
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	4,112,322	2,329,589
Investment fees	(105,869)	(120,503)
	\$ 5,158,666	\$ 3,289,108

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Note 5 - Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment consist of the following at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 974,711	\$ 974,711
Buildings and improvements	3,014,749	2,909,776
Furniture and fixtures	117,146	117,146
Equipment	<u>2,019</u>	<u>2,019</u>
	4,108,625	4,003,652
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>2,102,283</u>	<u>1,972,511</u>
	<u>\$ 2,006,342</u>	<u>\$ 2,031,141</u>

Note 6 - Commitments

The Foundation has a lease for office space in Warsaw. The lease is a one year lease. Rent expense for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$26,023 and \$20,436. The future minimum rental commitment under this lease is approximately \$29,000. The current lease expires February 2025.

At June 30, 2024, the Foundation was committed, subject to the satisfaction of acceptance conditions, to award scholarships, fellowships, and grants of approximately \$1,215,400 for the 2024-2025 academic year (July 2024 - June 2025).

Note 7 – Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Time or Purpose

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Time or Purpose are restricted for the following purposes at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
For scholarships, grants and building restoration projects	\$20,426,345	\$ 16,812,470
Artwork	<u>32,008</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$20,458,353</u>	<u>\$ 16,812,470</u>

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Note 7 – Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Time or Purpose (Continued)

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by the occurrence of other events specified by donors:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2022</u>
For scholarships and grants	\$1,959,819	\$ 1,976,571
For fees and other expenses	<u>653,796</u>	<u>645,184</u>
	<u>\$2,613,615</u>	<u>\$ 2,621,755</u>

During 2024 and 2023, \$471,997 and \$515,486 of grants were made under the Help Ukraine Fund.

Note 8 – Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Endowment Funds

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Endowment Funds are classified as follows based on the purposes for which income is restricted:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Scholarships	\$ 23,626,250	\$ 23,501,940
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts:		
Scholarships	493,134	473,530
Cultural	1,187,515	1,076,900
Pool B and C funds for scholarships:		
PAC	95,587	95,587
Zimmer	<u>180,000</u>	<u>180,000</u>
	<u>\$ 25,582,486</u>	<u>\$ 25,327,957</u>

Net assets with Donor Restrictions – Endowment Funds are reported in the following asset categories on the accompanying statements of financial position:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Contributions receivable, prepaid expenses and other assets	\$ 211,546	\$ 305,767
Investments	23,690,291	23,471,760
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	<u>1,680,649</u>	<u>1,550,430</u>
	<u>\$ 25,582,486</u>	<u>\$ 25,327,957</u>

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Note 9 - Endowment

The Foundation’s endowment consists of over one hundred individual funds established for a number of purposes. The endowment includes donor-restricted funds, beneficial interests in charitable trusts and annuity funds, and original gifts held long-term for scholarships and grants.

Interpretation of Relevant Law

Prior to September 17, 2010, the Board of Trustees of the Foundation had interpreted the Uniform Management of Institutional Funds Act (UMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classified as endowment funds (a) the original value of gifts donated to the endowment funds, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the endowment funds, and (c) accumulations to the endowment funds made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

On September 17, 2010, New York State enacted the New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (NYPMIFA). Unlike UMIFA, the new law allows not-for-profits to spend endowment funds below their “historic dollar value” if the governing body (Board of Trustees) determines that the spending is prudent in accordance with various factors. Also, in accordance with the act, the Foundation, where possible, has contacted donors of endowment funds with gifts made prior to September 17, 2010, and gave them the choice of following UMIFA or NYPMIFA rules.

The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment funds that is not classified as endowment funds is classified as time or purpose funds until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by the Act.

The following represents a description of the endowment net asset composition, excluding pledges and estates as of June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>Time or Purpose</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>
Donor-restricted endowment funds - 2024	<u>\$ 20,426,345</u>	<u>\$ 25,582,486</u>	<u>\$ 46,008,831</u>
Donor-restricted endowment funds - 2023	<u>\$ 16,812,470</u>	<u>\$ 25,327,957</u>	<u>\$ 42,140,427</u>

Spending Policy

The Foundation has a policy of appropriating a certain percentage of its portfolio for scholarship distribution annually. Scholarship distribution for fiscal 2024 and 2023 was based on 5.0% of its entire portfolio value. In fiscal year 2025 the scholarship distribution is set at 5.0%.

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Note 9 – Endowment (Continued)

In addition, the Foundation has a policy of appropriating from .5% to 2% of its entire portfolio value for its administrative fee. The percentage is based on a rolling 3 year (fiscal year) average of portfolio value and is set based on the financial needs of the Foundation in a given year.

The following represents a description of the changes in net endowment assets for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	Time or Purpose	Endowment	Total
Net endowment assets, July 1, 2022	\$ 15,381,557	\$ 24,987,187	\$ 40,368,744
Investment return:			
Investment income, net	3,033,682		3,033,682
Net change in beneficial interest		25,958	25,958
Total investment return	3,033,682	25,958	3,059,640
New gifts	964,812	318,056	1,282,868
Appropriation for expenditure	(2,621,755)		(2,621,755)
Other changes, including transfers	54,174	(3,244)	50,930
Net endowment assets, June 30, 2023	16,812,470	25,327,957	42,140,427
Investment return:			
Investment income, net	4,621,047		4,621,047
Net change in beneficial interest		130,219	130,219
Total investment return	4,621,047	130,219	4,751,266
New gifts	1,585,007	124,310	1,709,317
Appropriation for expenditure	(2,613,609)		(2,613,609)
Other changes, including transfers	21,436		21,436
Net endowment assets, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 20,426,351</u>	<u>\$ 25,582,486</u>	<u>\$ 46,008,837</u>

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Note 10 - Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trusts

The fair value of funds that are held in perpetuity by third parties where the Foundation is the income beneficiary is included on the statements of financial position. The following is a summary of such trusts at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

Trust	2024		2023	
	Fair value of securities held by third parties	Investment income received during the year	Fair value of securities held by third parties	Investment income received during the year
Stanley W. Wasil	\$ 493,134	\$ 21,436	\$ 473,530	\$ 38,548
Mary R. Koons	1,187,515	55,875	1,076,900	63,750
	\$1,680,649	\$ 77,311	\$ 1,550,430	\$ 102,298

Note 11 - Fair Value Measurements

The Foundation follows accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“US GAAP”) on Fair Value Measurements which defines fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy organized into three levels based upon input assumptions used pricing assets. Level 1 inputs have the highest reliability and are related to assets with unadjusted quoted prices in active markets. Level 2 inputs relate to assets with other than quoted prices in active markets which may include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or other inputs which can be corroborated by observable market data. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs and are used to the extent that observable inputs do not exist.

The Foundation follows US GAAP guidance which removed the requirements to categorize within the fair value hierarchy alternative investments where fair value is measured using the Net Asset Value (“NAV”) per share as a practical expedient.

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Note 11 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following table presents the Foundation's fair value hierarchy for investments and funds held by trustees measured at fair value as of June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024		
	Total	Level 1	NAV*
Investments			
Fixed Income			
U.S. Treasury Notes and Bills	\$ 1,352,532	\$ 1,352,532	
Taxable Pooled Vehicles	9,084,921	9,084,921	
Emerging Markets Pooled Vehicles	658,509	658,509	
High Yield Pooled Vehicles	911,968	911,968	
Equity			
Large Cap iShares	14,609,665	14,609,665	
Mid Cap iShares and Mutual funds	2,825,931	2,825,931	
Small Cap Mutual Funds	1,387,967	1,387,967	
Developed International iShares & Mutual fund	3,307,588	3,307,588	
Emerging Markets Mutual Funds	1,238,851	1,238,851	
Equity REIT	309,748	309,748	
Balanced Asset Allocation Fund	29,162	29,162	
Alternative			
Absolute Return	809,281	809,281	
Commodities	907,901	907,901	
Hedge Fund	5,409,497	-	\$ 5,409,497
	<u>42,843,521</u>	<u>\$37,434,024</u>	<u>\$ 5,409,497</u>
Cash	<u>5,612,241</u>		
	<u>\$48,455,762</u>		

The Absolute Return and Commodities investments are funds with daily liquidity and are actively traded.

The Hedge Fund investment seeks to produce attractive risk-adjusted returns with low beta to traditional asset classes. Redemptions from the Fund can be at the end of a calendar quarter and require 60 days notice. Full redemptions take two calendar quarters. There is no unfunded commitment.

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Note 11 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	2023		
	Total	Level 1	NAV*
Investments			
Fixed Income			
U.S. Treasury Notes and Bills	\$ 5,108,545	\$ 5,108,545	
Taxable Pooled Vehicles	7,854,218	7,854,218	
High Yield Pooled Vehicles	2,508,181	2,508,181	
Equity			
Large Cap iShares	10,938,870	10,938,870	
Mid Cap iShares and Mutual funds	2,525,897	2,525,897	
Small Cap Mutual Funds	2,212,940	2,212,940	
Developed International iShares & Mutual fund	2,640,620	2,640,620	
Emerging Markets Mutual Funds	1,244,542	1,244,542	
Equity REIT	299,038	299,038	
Balanced Asset Allocation Fund	26,110	26,110	
Alternative			
Absolute Return	735,872	735,872	
Commodities	993,001	993,001	
Hedge Fund	5,010,360	-	\$ 5,010,360
	42,098,194	<u>\$37,087,834</u>	<u>\$ 5,010,360</u>
Cash	<u>704,629</u>		
	<u>\$42,802,823</u>		

Note 12 - Retirement Plan

The Foundation reinstated its defined contribution pension plan effective July 1, 2014. The plan covers substantially all employees who have completed one year of service. The Foundation will contribute 5% of each employee's salary and make an additional matching contribution up to 5% of salary. Total expense for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$61,550 and \$55,579 respectively.

Note 13 – Concentration of Risk

During 2024 and 2023, the Foundation had U.S. cash in banks exceeding federally insured limits. The Foundation manages this risk by using large, established financial institutions.

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Note 14 – Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

The following reflects the Foundation’s financial assets as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 reduced by amounts not available for general use within one year of that date and adjusted for estimated earnings from beneficial interests in perpetual trusts and endowment spending.

	2024	2023
Investments, at fair value	\$ 48,455,763	\$ 42,802,823
Cash and cash equivalents	638,639	1,074,602
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	1,680,649	1,550,430
Interest and dividends receivable	80,645	40,091
Contributions and other receivables	217,980	329,289
	51,073,676	45,797,235
Less:		
Endowment	(25,582,486)	(25,327,957)
Time or purpose restricted	(20,426,345)	(16,812,470)
Add:		
For the year ending June 30, 2025/2024:		
Estimated income from beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	60,000	60,000
Estimated endowment draw	1,300,000	1,350,000
	\$ 6,424,845	\$ 5,066,808

The Foundation monitors its cash needs and sets its budget and spending policy based on current conditions.

Note 15 - Subsequent Events

In connection with the preparation of these consolidated financial statements, the Foundation evaluated subsequent events after the statement of consolidated financial position date at June 30, 2024 through January 14, 2025, which was the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.



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CHAPTER TEN

THE KOSCIUSZKO FOUNDATION



2023/2024

THE TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

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