



OVERTONE VISIONARIES REPORT

November 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025



Hi Sweet Adelines!

Your generosity is the catalyst for our success. Today, I'm excited to share how, together, we've achieved extraordinary milestones. Thanks to you, we've funded scholarships for judges, directors, and arrangers, supported judge training, launched our innovative Learning Management System, and provided grants for youth outreach—including opportunities to nurture young talent through competition.

Your contributions directly impact the lives of our members and the future of our organization, creating a powerful ripple effect—reaching far beyond what we can see and touching countless lives in ways we may never fully know. Your influence is both deep and tangible.

Thank you again for being a vital part of Sweet Adelines and for your continued support. We are shaping our future together and preserving a legacy for generations to come. Thank you!

With sincere appreciation,

Tammy Talbot

Thank You



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Featuring Tammy Talbot
Chief Executive Officer



2024–2025 Donor Impact

Advancing A Lifetime of Sweet Adelines

Campaign Goal - \$230K
Amount Raised - \$341K

Funds Supported

Education • Scholarship • Young Singers • Greatest Need

OVERVIEW

Sweet Adelines International thrives because of the generosity of donors like you playing a vital role in preserving our legacy—empowering singers through music and education that will impact generations to come. Through contributions to the Education Fund, Scholarship Fund, and Young Singers Fund, learning opportunities are expanded, essential training for all members is provided, and the next generation of barbershop singers is inspired and encouraged to grow and thrive. Your generosity ensures that the harmony we cherish today continues to flourish for years to come.



Education Fund

Gifts to the Education Fund support initiatives to increase and expand educational opportunities for our members.

Donors supported the following key Education priorities:

Sweet Adelines e-learning system:

Sweet Adelines continues to enhance its e-learning platform, providing valuable resources and educational opportunities for members. Current efforts focus on developing new curriculum materials, expanding interactive learning tools, and ensuring high-quality online content to support barbershop education.

Judge Training:

Training provides International Judging Program (IJP) members with updated competition rule education, skill refinement, and category proficiency sharpening. This essential training ensures a rewarding contest experience for every contestant on stage.



“One of the ways donor contributions help is by funding educational events like the upcoming Judge Training in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Since COVID, we've put out new judging criteria, but we haven't been able to have an educational session in person around it, and I think this training is going to be extremely helpful. We've done a lot online, but there's a shared synergistic thing that happens when you're together in the same room, and I'm really looking forward to that.”

Vickie Maybury

Expression Judge • Member, International Board of Directors



Young Singers Fund



Gifts to the Young Singers Fund support youth outreach to singers under the age of 25.

Donors supported the following key priorities for Young Singers:

Rising Star Quartet Contest:

In 2024 six dynamic young quartets lit up the stage at the Rising Star Quartet Contest bringing barbershop harmony to life. Radiant captured the title of 2024 Rising Star Champion Quartet! The stage is set for the 2025 Rising Star contest in Tulsa, OK, when a new champion will rise.



Did you know...some great quartets got their competitive start in the Rising Star Quartet Contest? Rising Star champion quartets ***LoveNotes*** (2005, as UnderAge), ***ClassRing*** (2014), and ***The Ladies*** (2016) went on to become International Champion Quartets (2014, 2019, and 2023, respectively). ***Hot Pursuit*** (2018) became the 2019 Harmony, Inc. Champion Quartet.



Young Singers Fund Cont.

Music Education Grants:

Through music education grants, donors help bring barbershop harmony to the next generation! These grants support festivals, workshops, and performance opportunities for young singers. Your generous donations are supporting the following outreach programs for youth.

Grant Cycle 1 March 1- June 1

*Five grants awarded
totaling \$12,322**

Vermillion Valley Show Chorus, #3: Central Illinois Youth in Harmony

Song of Atlanta Chorus, #14: DIVA Day (Dive into Vocal Artistry Day)

Harborlites Chorus #21: Harborlites Diva Day 2025

Metro Nashville Chorus, #4: Metro Nashville Chorus Youth Working in Song and Harmony

OK City Chorus, #25: Youth in Harmony Workshop

Grant Cycle 2 August 1- November 1

*Five grants awarded
totaling \$15,000**

Helena Xpress Singers Chorus, #13: A Cappella Xpress Youth Festival

Vermillion Valley Show Chorus, #3: Central Illinois Youth in Harmony Festival

Grand Mesa A Cappella Chorus, #8: Grand Mesa Harmony Festival

High Plains Harmony Chorus, #8: High Plains Harmony Festival and Road Show (Idaho Falls, Idaho)

High Plains Harmony Chorus, #8: High Plains Harmony Festival and Road Show (Sterling, Colorado)

**All amounts listed in USD.*



"I'm so inspired by the young singers. Their energy attracts me. What I'm seeing is incredible musicianship and energy, and that is what I want to see extend into the future. As an older member, I'm delighted to have the new people not just pushing me but inspiring me. If you keep your eye on your heart and your soul, the music says it all."

Molly Huffman

Nancy Bergman Legacy Society (NBLS) Member



Scholarship Fund

Gifts to the Scholarship Fund provide opportunities for our members to participate in advanced training to develop skills as chorus directors, arrangers, judges, and international faculty.

Donors supported the following Scholarship Fund opportunities:

Small to mid-sized Chorus Director Scholarships	51
Approved Candidate Judge Scholarships	6
Arranger Certification Program Mentoring Scholarships	2





In Honor of...

Ellie is an inspiration to everyone at Lace City Chorus. She is a caring, funny, dynamic and creative director loved by every member of the chorus. We are proud to have achieved so much under her brilliant leadership. We love you, Ellie!

“Donna. You inspire me to sing with joy and inspiration each and every week. Your energy and dedication to barbershop is amazing. Thank you for sharing your vision for our chorus and your faith that music spreads the love!”

Your passion, dedication and leadership inspires, motivates and shapes us to be better than we ever dreamed possible. We celebrate you, *Bonnie*, and the gift of music, the joy of community and the impact of a truly exceptional leader. You are loved!

In March, we celebrate the “In Honor Of” program along with International Women’s Day. On this special day, donors are invited to make a special gift to honor a Sweet Adeline who has positively impacted their lives. Generous donors stepped up to recognize role models, mentors, directors, singers, and friends by contributing to the organization that brings them together in song.

Gifts made between March 1-April 4, 2025 designated with an honoree name were part of the program. Eligible funds for donation included Education, Scholarship, Young Singers, and Greatest Need.

The 2025 event raised over \$3,400 in recognition of 40 honorees!



Planned Giving

Virtual Event • March 12, 2025

On March 12, we hosted a special virtual event highlighting the impact of planned giving and how it helps sustain the future of Sweet Adelines. Attendees received information on Planned Giving options available to them, heard inspiring stories from Nancy Bergman Legacy Society members, and learned how their generosity shapes the next generation of barbershop singers.



watch the full event here:



Strategies for Leaving a Lasting Legacy

Charitable Estate and Gift Planning

March 12, 2025



Thank you for your generosity and support of our vision. Together we see the future!

The following is a list of donors who contributed between November 1, 2024 and April 30, 2025.

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Cathy Frey Greatest Need Fund

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Thank You!



**“The experiences I’ve had, the people I’ve met,
and the music I’ve heard—it fills pages and pages.
I wouldn’t trade it for anything.”**

Wendy Arcand

on the lifelong impact of Sweet Adelines

