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The Dick Camplin Education Trust

Background:

- The Dick Camplin Education Trust (DCET) was established in 2007 by David Camplin, a retired secondary school deputy headteacher and local authority advisor, and Nigel Hirst, Managing Director of Haden Freeman Ltd, a chemical engineering firm
- It provides Scholarships, to the value of £1000 to students from Loreto College, Hulme, and Salford City College who have overcome significant barriers to gain a place at University. The Scholarships are awarded following competitive application, and successful Scholars are selected following interview by senior staff at the two colleges.
- Up to 25 Scholars are selected each year, which includes up to 5 scholars who are studying physics, mathematics, or engineering
- The Trust also provides additional financial support on an individual needs basis, and helps with the purchase of appropriate clothing for work
- Scholarships are spent on the necessities involved in University study - laptops, bedding and kitchen utensils, books and transport are the normal items
- Apart from financial aid the Trust maintains a close personal contact with Scholars and provides peer mentors, help with essay writing and proof reading, access to a life coach, preparation of CV's and letters of application, the provision of a very few internships - and even early morning calls

Characteristics of applicants:

- Our Scholars come from families with very limited incomes, invariably below £20k; many have attended schools where, too often, success is seen as something for others; they are nearly always the first in their families to gain a place at University - and often the first to have continued in education after the age of 16; many are carers for parents and siblings, and some have been through the care system; many contribute to family incomes, and continue to do so throughout their time at University through casual employment; some have a parent or sibling in prison, and some have left the family home because of the chaotic, often drug dependent, lives of other family members. In short, their achievement is exceptional.

Our needs for future stability and growth:

- To date we have provided Scholarships and financial support to the value of £157k and administrative costs have been maintained at £200 per annum, this for the financial management of the Trust by The Charity Service
- Virtually all of our income is raised outside Greater Manchester
- Our current income of £25k is spent entirely on Scholarships, extras are paid for through tax receipts and interest
- We would like to be able to guarantee an income of at least £40K for the next 5 years
- We would further like to extend the provision of internships, so that eventually all DCET Scholars could be offered the opportunity of at least a fortnight's work experience at the end of their second year. We would like to be able to support this with funded payments of £250 per week
- We do not intend to extend the availability of Scholarships to more than 25 students a year so that our intimate relationship can be maintained

What we are asking for:

- Individuals, or companies, who would be prepared to support us with donations in blocks of £1000 for a minimum period of 3 years, and hopefully for 5 years
- Individuals, or companies, who could provide a meaningful internship to our Scholars at the end of their second year of study
- Individuals, or companies, who would be prepared to act as professional mentors on an ad hoc basis
- Help with developing a network of support within Greater Manchester amongst potential supporters