Executive Summary
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Our Mission
To ensure that no student abandons their dream of earning a degree at Wayne State University solely because of housing or financial challenges.

Who we help
In order for a student to be eligible for an award, he or she must:

- Be homeless or precariously housed;
- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA established at Wayne State University; and,
- Be enrolled at Wayne State University in the current academic semester.

Our Students
Since the HIGH Program began in 2013, it has received over 300 applications for assistance and has helped over 130 students with financial support or direct referrals to an alternative funding source.

Why Invest
- Donors make the difference. Until recently receiving a $50,000 grant from the McGregor Fund, all student awards from the HIGH Program were supported 100% by philanthropic dollars.
- The HIGH Program received five new endowments in the last 18 months, one of which is the $25,000 endowment from the Sean Anderson Foundation.
- In 2014, we had 94% of eligible students graduate on time, and students awarded in 2015 are on target for a 100% graduation rate.

Our Goal
The HIGH Program aims to award at least 50 students per year. In order to reach our goal, we need short- and long-term investments to stabilize our revenue stream and create an endowment of $5 million.

How to Apply
Students can apply for assistance by filling out our online application found on our website: highprogram.wayne.edu.
(Students are required to electronically sign a Release of Academic Records in accordance with FERPA before the HIGH Program can evaluate their application)

How to Donate
Please visit our website: highprogram.wayne.edu and make a donation TODAY