

## MISSION & VISION

Founded in 2005, The nsoro Educational Foundation believes not one young person aging out of our nation's foster care system should have to navigate the world alone. Our mission provides the access to and attainment of post secondary education through a holistic scholarship that shepherds our youth to and through college, optimally positioning our graduates for an equitable transition into adulthood.

## OUR SCHOLARSHIP

Our collegians are able to direct their \$12,000 gap funding scholarship toward tuition, housing, books, fees and food security over their course of their academic journey, at all levels of education – Associate, Bachelor's, Masters and Technical degrees, through age 26.

The nsoro Scholarship includes a comprehensive mentor program anchored in three tenets – emotional intelligence, financial literacy and workforce readiness. The scholar's certified executive coach remains in place throughout their college career.

## 30 Graduates

CLASS OF 2021 | DEGREE TYPE

40% S.T.E.M.

33% SOCIAL SCIENCES

18% BUSINESS

7% PERFORMING ARTS

3% EDUCATION

72% BLACK | 19% LATINX | 8% CAUCASIAN | 1% OTHER

## IMPACT TO DATE



**81%** GRADUATION RATE

Compared to the national 4% college graduation rate of former foster youth.



**346** COLLEGE GRADUATES

nsoro currently supports 302 scholars across 32 states attending 191 colleges and universities.



**98%** REWROTE THE NARRATIVE

nsoro Scholars are responsible, young adults. They have not abused drugs, alcohol and have not been incarcerated, severing the cyclical outcomes inherent to this vulnerable population.

**\$3.7M** nsoro has awarded in scholarships & college preparatory programs

## 20,000+ YOUTH AGE OUT OF FOSTER CARE YEARLY

- 20% of these youth are homeless at the age of 18
- 50% will have gainful employment by age 24
- 1 in 4 will graduate from high school or get a GED
- 1 in 2 will develop a substance abuse
- \$300,000 in societal costs per youth over their lifetime

*"Without a powerful disrupting agent propelling these youth toward greater opportunity, generations of youth will be trapped in a cycle with deep and ongoing societal costs. nsoro is that disruptor."*

Darrell Mays | Chairman & Founder



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