

## **ACI Welcomes Year-end Gifts to Support Students at Member Colleges and Universities**

*ACI accepts gifts of cash, credit card donations and stock*

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ACI welcomes financial gifts to support our mission, and year-end giving can benefit you and students at member colleges and universities. Your gifts make a difference for many underserved college students attending ACI-affiliated institutions across Illinois. To learn more, [watch these students tell their stories](#), including how ACI scholarships make a difference in their lives.

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You may designate your gift for [scholarships](#) for first-generation, low-income college students, or for support of the [ACI Peer Mentoring Program](#), which helps first-generation students through the critical first year in college on the way to earning a degree. You can also provide [ACI Named Scholarships](#) to deserving students in honor of individuals, businesses or organizations, or designate gifts for other ACI programs.

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