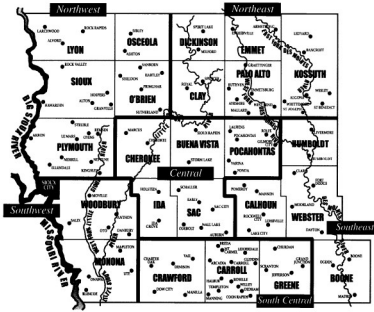


# MONSIGNOR LAFFERTY TUITION FOUNDATION



The Monsignor Lafferty Tuition Foundation (MLTF) is the Student Tuition Organization (STO) created by the Diocese of Sioux City in 2006 as part of the Educational Opportunities Act passed by the Iowa Legislature. Sixteen Catholic school systems are located in the 24-county diocese providing a faith-based education to more than 6000 students each year. MLTF awards tuition grants to eligible families while providing donors with an Iowa income tax credit certificate worth 65% of their gift.

## \$2,939,833

**Total amount raised in 2016 to issue MLTF's maximum tax credit allotment.**

Fundraising goal met December 15, 2016. All \$12 million tax credits exhausted in 12 STOs throughout Iowa by December 27, 2016.

**In 2016, MLTF awarded \$2,816,441 in tuition grants.**

School	No. of Recipients	Dollars Received	School	No. of Recipients	Dollars Received
Algona	194	\$273,591	LeMars	193	\$226,641
Boone	76	\$72,045	Pocahontas	35	\$31,585
Carroll	368	\$453,456	Remsen	79	\$94,545
Danbury	15	\$27,631	Sheldon	49	\$50,654
Denison	55	\$75,263	Sioux City	514	\$651,874
Emmetsburg	52	\$57,453	Spencer	54	\$176,946
Fort Dodge	222	\$288,709	Storm Lake	168	\$214,598
Granville	41	\$37,435	<b>Total Distributed</b>		
Humboldt	52	\$84,015	<b>\$2,816,441</b>		

**Number of applications for assistance from MLTF**

**3,709**

**Number of applicants receiving MLTF funds**

**2,188**

**Average dollars awarded per MLTF recipient**

**\$1,287**

**Total Demonstrated Need throughout the diocese**

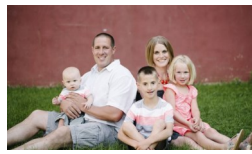
**\$7,286,026**

## 2016-17 Enrollment within the Diocese of Sioux City

<b>Bishop Garrigan Schools</b> Algona, IA	<b>534</b>
<b>Sacred Heart Catholic School</b> Boone, IA	<b>191</b>
<b>Kuemper Catholic Schools</b> Carroll, IA	<b>1120</b>
<b>Danbury Catholic School</b> Danbury, IA	<b>71</b>
<b>St. Rose of Lima School</b> Denison, IA	<b>91</b>
<b>Emmetsburg Catholic School</b> Emmetsburg, IA	<b>125</b>
<b>St. Edmond Catholic Schools</b> Fort Dodge, IA	<b>714</b>
<b>Spalding Catholic Schools</b> Granville & Alton, IA	<b>96</b>
<b>St. Mary School</b> Humboldt, IA	<b>205</b>
<b>Gehlen Catholic Schools</b> Le Mars, IA	<b>477</b>
<b>Pocahontas Catholic School</b> Pocahontas, IA	<b>88</b>
<b>St. Mary Schools</b> Remsen, IA	<b>235</b>
<b>St. Patrick School</b> Sheldon, IA	<b>88</b>
<b>Bishop Heelan Schools</b> Sioux City, IA	<b>1570</b>
<b>Sacred Heart Catholic School</b> Spencer, IA	<b>181</b>
<b>St. Mary Catholic Schools</b> Storm Lake, IA	<b>318</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,104</b>

## Donor Spotlight

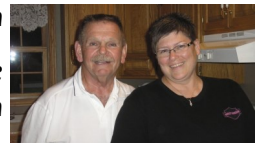
Courtesy of The Catholic Globe, 2015



**Tony & Katie Elbert - Emmetsburg**

"The tax benefit allows an individual to contribute a larger dollar amount because, after it's all said and done, it ends up costing less than the actual amount you donated. This fund puts money into Catholic education that wouldn't be possible if it wasn't for the tax benefits and the fund itself."

**Al & Linda Willett - Alton**



"I feel that no parent's decision to give their child a Catholic school education should be based off of financial reasons. Every child should have the opportunity."



**Steve & Shari Lensing - Spencer**

"From a personal standpoint, the obvious benefit is the idea that I receive the state tax credit and a federal deduction for the donation I make to the fund. Essentially, 95% of everything I contribute to the fund is given back to me through tax benefits. I've never been real fond of the term "no brainer," but this program/fund is certainly best described as just that."

Number of MLTF donors in 2016:

**713**

**Largest Gift:**

**\$75,000**

**Smallest Gift:**

**\$20**

**How much did donors give in 2016?**

\$20,001+	25	\$1,001—\$5,000	300
\$10,001—\$20,000	21	\$501—\$1,000	210
\$5,001—\$10,000	83	\$500 and below	74

**Contributions for 2017 now accepted!**

For more information or to give online:

**[www.scdioocese.org/mltf](http://www.scdioocese.org/mltf)**