



Democracy in Action

Antioch College, founded in 1850 in Yellow Springs, Ohio, has been a leading force in higher education and thinking for nearly 175 years and has championed many innovative practices in response to the changing needs of our students. Antioch's affordable, experiential, and community-based learning model has never been more appropriate or necessary than in today's turbulent times. Your support of Antioch College is an investment in the future of liberal arts education, where, today, the far right is attacking liberal education colleges throughout our nation. The attempts by politicians to silence the voices of educators in states across the country have reached a fever pitch. Smaller colleges struggle to find the best models to respond to this continued assault while delivering the highest quality educational experience possible.



Equity in Action

The people of Antioch College have created a radically inclusive, welcoming, and caring educational environment. Antioch's students are among the most diverse of any liberal arts college: more than 50% are Black and Brown; 82% identify as LGBTQ; 16% identify as transgender; and more than 50% are first-generation college students, many of whom come from the surrounding areas in Ohio.

Transforming the Business of College

Over 75% of our students face serious economic challenges. For qualified students who want to attend, our mission has been, and will remain, to enable them to become Antioch students and graduate ready for their next steps toward meaningful work. Antioch changes not only individual lives but also families. Antioch students graduate with little or no debt, allowing them to pursue fulfilling careers and community visions without unnecessary constraints.

We are responding to the changing needs of our students and the growing funding crisis of the American educational system by developing new and innovative approaches to support the college and our students beyond tuition alone. The college is currently piloting several strategies to create independent revenue streams that are both sustainable and core to the college's mission and focus. These pilot programs include hubs of learning.

Innovative Learning Hubs

Antioch provides real hands-on experience to enrich what students learn from our classroom curriculum by developing programs focusing on community leadership and organizational skills and emphasizing flexible approaches to our education. These practical opportunities for work and learning will attract students who may not be looking for a four-year educational experience but value Antioch's deep understanding and tradition of experiential learning and want to make real-world changes.

Coretta Scott King Center for Cultural and Intellectual Freedom

The Center honors the legacy of Antioch's renowned alumna by hosting workshops, lecture series, and symposia to engage the community in dialogue and foster organizing and activism for racial and LGBTQ+ justice.

Antioch Micro-Farm

The Antioch Micro-Farm is developing a high-yield model of low-acreage farming to address food scarcity in rural and urban areas. The innovative science behind this model has garnered significant attention and support and is currently producing over 30,000 pounds of nutritious food a year.

The Wellness Center

The Antioch Wellness Center is a focal point for the community and has received tremendous support for its amenities. The Wellness Center offers unique programming for people of all ages to come and promote their maximum physical health through fitness, sport, and, most importantly, play!

Herndon Art Gallery

The Herndon Gallery is a regional arts destination with exhibitions and arts programs that are highly collaborative, interdisciplinary, and fully engaged with contemporary global issues.



Why the President's Initiative Now?

As the College's second woman and first Deaf President, Dr. Jane Fernandes is leading the fight to create transformative educational spaces that center on the well-being and goals of all students. The President's Initiative was born from the need to respond to our unique challenges by ensuring maximum visibility for Antioch's emerging vision. The President's Initiative will rapidly raise \$5M by June 30, 2023 to sustain the College's mission and future. Your gifts will:

- Fund the transition to the new business model as Antioch moves to long-term sustainable revenue sources.
- Help develop and activate the Learning Hubs as Antioch continues to move from the classroom to change-making in communities worldwide.
- Continue providing true equity and access to higher education.

Join Antioch!

Please join by giving your time, talents, and financial resources to support Antioch College at this critical moment. There is no better way to live your values than to contribute to Antioch's Presidential Initiative to save our democracy for current and future generations. Antioch welcomes gifts from individuals, families, foundations, and businesses. There are many ways to get involved: make a generous financial contribution, join the President's Advisory Circle, host a fundraiser at your home, office, or community space, and help spread the word. Thank you!