

Together, we're empowering the college dream



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“ College Possible was a great resource. My coaches were attentive and gave me resources when I needed them. ”

Daniel
Texas State University '23

2022–2023 SCHOOL YEAR IMPACT REPORT

REGIONAL REACH



5,528

students from **11 high schools** and **231 colleges** are closer to their goal of a college degree

100%

students from under-invested communities

78%

students of color

COLLEGE ACCESS



70%

applied to college¹



65%

admitted to college¹



74%

enrolled in college¹

COLLEGE SUCCESS



92%

persisted from first-to-second-year in college²



290

college degrees earned³

¹ High school class of 2023 to any degree-granting institution

² High school class of 2022 represents fall-to-fall enrollment to any degree-granting institution

³ 216 bachelor degrees, 62 associate degrees, and 12 certificates earned between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023

Thank you for your support

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The 2022–2023 program year marked significant accomplishments and growth for College Possible Texas. From expanding access to higher education to advocating for policy changes that benefit students across the state, our work continues to make a lasting impact. We are particularly proud of the achievements of our students, staff, and partners, which reflect our collective commitment to empowering the next generation of leaders.

Here's what you helped College Possible Texas accomplish during the 2022–23 school year:

Empowering futures

College Possible Texas partnered with 16 high schools to serve 343 students during the 2022–2023 school year, helping students make informed decisions about their future education with college tours for high school juniors to San Antonio and Houston. Research shows students who visited campuses were twice as likely to enroll as those who did not (Secore, 2018, p. 152). To date, our high school graduates attended 300 unique colleges, demonstrating the significant impact of these visits.

Advancing policy change

In June 2022, College Possible Texas played a crucial role in advocating for increased financial support for

students. College Possible students and staff testified before U.S. Under Secretary of Education James Kvaal, contributing to a historic \$900 increase per student in the Federal Pell Grant for 2023 — the largest increase in 15 years. This significant policy change helps make college more affordable for students across Texas, underscoring our commitment to creating opportunities for all.

Transforming potential

The success of students speaks volumes, with a 2023 graduate who received a full scholarship to Princeton and another accepted to Harvard. Many earned scholarships, including the prestigious \$50,000 Savvas Scholarship, which includes mentorship and career planning. We also introduced IBM SkillsBuild, an innovative platform providing cutting-edge resources to help students and coaches develop essential workplace and technical skills. Since its introduction, 437 Austin-area students and AmeriCorps members have registered, with 47 participants completing 1,516 sessions over 262 hours.

Powering progress

In fall 2022, we welcomed Rana Emerson as program director and Colleen Bell as director of operations. Under their leadership, we have aligned staff and systems, enhanced data

collection processes, and cultivated a more inclusive culture, further advancing our mission. Additionally, College Possible Texas secured a \$75,000 OneStar Workforce Grant to improve the post-service employment opportunities of our AmeriCorps coaches.

“Being a former student in the program, it was really fulfilling being able to guide, help, and support students on their journey through their post-secondary education path. I remember needing guidance on the college application process when I was a student, so it was incredibly rewarding being able to be that same support for students that I once received.”

Zack
Lehman High School '11
Texas A&M University-
Corpus Christi '23
College Possible Texas
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