



August 31, 2018

Mr. Bill Graham  
Florida Educational Negotiators  
203 S Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Dear Mr. Bill Graham:

On a day nationally recognized as one in which people routinely express their love for each other- February 14th- the horrific tragedy that unfolded at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School was an abomination. This senseless act of mass violence claimed 17 innocent lives and irreparably altered many more.

Your generous expression of love, support and compassion in the wake of this heartbreaking event served as beacon of hope during the darkest of times. With your kind and heartfelt contribution, and that of more than 37,000 others, Broward Education Foundation received more than \$10.5M to help these brave and courageous individuals. As the only 501(c)3 direct support organization dedicated to helping Broward County Public Schools, we take our commitment to them and our fiduciary responsibility to our donors like you very seriously.

Immediately in the aftermath of the tragedy, Broward Education Foundation created the official Stoneman Douglas Victims' Fund and partnered with the National Compassion Fund, the nationally recognized expert in the field of mass violence. The Stoneman Douglas Victims' Fund Steering Committee comprised of 18 community and business leaders was charged with determining the allocation and distribution of funds raised. Victims' families and survivors applied online and their claims were thoroughly vetted through the National Compassion Fund. In keeping with Broward Education's Foundation's pledge of a timely and transparent distribution of funds, these gifts of compassion were disbursed to more than 1,600 families and individuals as follows:

\$400,000 to each of the families of the 17 deceased  
\$250,000- \$35,000 to those injured by gunshots  
\$2,500 to those in the 1200 building  
\$1,000 to those present on campus

For the Stoneman Douglas community, your gift emphasized that there are caring and compassionate people who grieve along with them. With your help, orchestrating this enormous effort of compassion has been a labor of love for Broward Education Foundation.

We humbly and sincerely **thank you**.

Shea Ciriago  
Executive Director