Today, we’re launching our 2016 Annual Mission Maker Campaign. Our goal is to continue to strive for “excellent health and wellness for all in a world without health disparities.”

Mission Makers are students, staff and faculty of the University as well as friends and supporters that believe in the CDU Mission and make a personal contribution to ensure our success. Donations benefit CDU students, staff and faculty as well as engage the community. Mission Makers make it possible for the University to provide essential support for:

- **Mission Maker Mini-Grant Program** - Mini-grants allow CDU to be visible in the community and provide support for student run projects like the “South LA Pop-Up Farmer’s Market and Urban Garden Project”, where CDU students work with residents of SPA 6 and SPA 4 to increase access to fresh fruits and vegetables through the mobile pop-up market. $26,000 supported 16 projects awarded in Spring 2016.

- **Mission Maker Scholarships** - Across all programs, 66% of students require financial assistance to advance their education. Last year, $22,500 was awarded to an inaugural class of Mission Maker Scholars who are dedicated to CDU’s mission and personify our CDU values.

- **Leadership Development** - CDU offers students opportunities for professional development and leadership on the CDU campus with support for student organizations such as the CDU Pre-Health Society, which promotes academic excellence and community involvement as students pursue their careers in healthcare, and the Charles R. Drew University Student Government, that “promotes unity within the student body by maintaining and exercising student’s rights to voice their views, interest, and needs.”

WE accomplished much last year, but we still have much to do. That’s why our goal for this campaign is to raise $92,000 by June 30th. We need your help to make it happen. Every donation, no matter how large or small, makes a difference!

Your gift will help us strengthen and grow while building a better tomorrow at CDU. Invest in CDU. Invest in a health workforce that will serve underserved communities.

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