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## BACKGROUND – SYTA Youth Foundation

### About SYF

Formed in 2000, the [SYTA Youth Foundation](http://sytayouthfoundation.org) (SYF) is the 501(c)(3) philanthropic sister organization of the Student & Youth Travel Association (SYTA). SYF provides scholarships and financial aid for students and youth who would otherwise miss valuable educational travel experiences. With the help of SYTA members, SYF ensures that the transformative power of travel is not reserved for only the wealthy and privileged, but is accessible to all youth eager to see beyond their personal experience and expand their worldview. Website: [sytayouthfoundation.org](http://sytayouthfoundation.org)

### Mission

SYF's mission is to impact students and youth through travel experiences that change their lives.

### Impact

SYF programs bring deserving students out into the world to explore and learn. Since these programs began in 2000, over \$820,000 has been awarded to 3,500+ students and youth for education and performance-related travel that they otherwise might not have had the opportunity to experience. SYF is motivated by the potential of the “multiplier factor” of positive change that travel can inspire in young people and all the generations they will affect in the future.

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