



2023 Annual Impact Report



Every student is capable of being a great problem solver!

The DRANREF Foundation (TDF) is the philanthropic arm of Business Transformation Group (BTG) and remains committed to helping students become better problem solvers by providing quality STEM Education and Entrepreneurship experiences that prepare them for what's possible.



"I want students to feel confident about what they can achieve by supporting the thinking skills they need to achieve it. I imagine a world where terms like learning loss and achievement gap are a thing of the past."

– Monica Freeman Lewis
Foundation Founder

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Budding entrepreneurs birthed since 2015

2500+

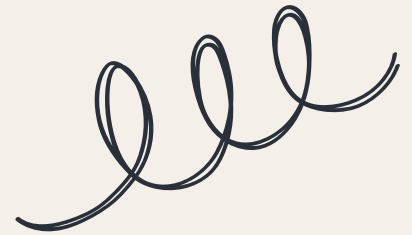
Students introduced to the Japanese Abacus to make learning math exciting and fun

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Teachers trained to make and use the Japanese abacus in their classrooms

Projects	Details	Out come
The Abacus Project Pi Day Challenge	Distributed 200 DIY Japanese abacus making kits to construct in 3 min and 14 sec (Pi=3.14)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students took ownership for their learning • Students remained highly engaged and gained an extra tool to solve math problems
Shark Tank at Howard University Middle School of Mathematics and Science	8 female students turned ideas into products and took them to market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students successfully pitched their start-up ideas to business sharks for feedback • Seed money was awarded to all participants
Aviation Program at Reid Temple Christian Academy	32 students were challenged to learn aviation basics and create flight plans to regional airports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students created actual flight plans to area airports • Students learned how to operate flight simulators to fly to area destinations.

The year In review



"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new."
Socrates

We kicked off the year with something exciting and new – an inaugural Aviation Program at Reid Temple Christian Academy. Middle school students “SOARED” through the TDF Aviation Basics program. A semester long course, students completed flight plans, took a field trip to a local airport and operated flight simulators at full throttle!

We continued our Entrepreneurship and Pi Day Abacus programs at area schools, too, and gained a new partner, the Alfred Street Baptist Church Tutorial Ministry. We trained 7 very excited educators on our Abacus Project curriculum to help students improve their basic math ability while enhancing their critical thinking skills.

As we forge into 2024, supporting our educators and entrepreneurs will be at the forefront of all that we do as we work to make a changing world, better.

Monica Freeman Lewis
TDF President and CEO



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