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Durango's Advancement & Support Hub (DASH) exists to highlight and grow the four following areas:

- **Hardship & Resiliency Support:** Supporting and empowering students with lived experience in the foster care and justice systems, students with incarcerated parents, students who are pregnant/parenting, and students who are facing hardships. This area is focused on building and strengthening pipelines from child welfare and prison systems, as well as referral avenues from community partnerships.
- **The Scholarship Collective:** Creating a positive learning and mentoring experience for scholarship or special population cohorts. This area currently manages 15 donor funded scholarships and is slated to increase the scholarship capacity through new partnerships with existing nonprofits.
- **The Maverick R&R Toolkit:** Building and referring students to internal and external resources to create stability and support for students as they navigate life's challenges. The purpose of this toolkit is to increase self-advocacy, retention, and social mobility.
- **The Peer Mentor Alliance:** Designing opportunities for peer mentors to become more well-rounded humans by focusing on basic needs or system-impacted knowledge to better support students from a peer-to-peer lens. This new focus will offer skill-advancement in critical thinking and problem-solving, empathy and compassion, and workforce development.

Our tagline: "You have the ingredients; we just add a *dash* of support."