Launched in 2015, the Siebel Energy Institute is a global consortium for innovative and collaborative energy research dedicated to advancing the science of smart energy. Research grants nearing $1 million were awarded to engineering and computer science experts from the Siebel Energy Institute’s member universities. The 24 inaugural grant recipients were selected from a field of nearly 60 submissions and received either $50,000 or $25,000 in seed funding. Siebel Energy Institute grants are being used to develop research proposals to advance the science of machine learning to respond to electrical outages and cybersecurity attacks, manage increasingly complex load factors such as electric vehicle charging and integrating renewable energy sources onto the power grid, and optimize the power value chain.

Siebel Scholars was established by the Siebel Foundation to recognize the top students from the leading graduate schools of business, computer science, bioengineering, and—since 2015—energy science. Each year, 94 exceptional students are named Siebel Scholars and join an ever-growing community of over 1,000 worldwide. Siebel Scholars serve as advisors to the Siebel Foundation and work collaboratively to find solutions to society’s most pressing issues. At the last Siebel Scholars Conference, record numbers of Siebel Scholars convened with experts to tackle the subject of Class Warfare in America. Throughout the year, Siebel Scholars also engaged in lively discussions with a distinctive group of prominent leaders at local events throughout the country.

The Siebel Stem Cell Institute furthered its research in regenerative medicine, bringing together innovative researchers from around the globe to identify the causes of disease at the molecular level. In 2015, the Siebel Stem Cell Institute made significant progress in developing new approaches to diagnose and treat cancer, heart disease, and diabetes. Advances were also made in creating and accessing new tools for imaging live cells and stimulating the body’s immune system to more effectively fight disease and injuries.

The Siebel Foundation remains committed to assisting the homeless and underprivileged and has contributed $65 million to help those in need, including $4 million in 2015.

The Thomas and Stacey Siebel Foundation, a nonprofit, public benefit corporation, was established as a private foundation in 1996. Its mission is to foster programs and organizations that improve the quality of life, environment, and education of its community members. The Siebel Foundation funds projects to support the homeless and underprivileged, education and research programs, public health, and alternative energy solutions. The Siebel Foundation engages in strategic philanthropy; as such, it does not entertain grant requests, but invests in targeted, highly leveraged programs and in projects it finds and operates. Since 2000, the Siebel Foundation has granted $272,361,678 to various charitable causes.

In 2015, the Siebel Foundation supported programs focusing on health, energy, education, and local communities.
Siebel Energy Institute

The Siebel Energy Institute, launched by the Siebel Foundation in 2015, is a global consortium for collaborative energy research, dedicated to accelerating and sharing advancements in machine learning applied to power systems. By funding cooperative and innovative research grants in data analytics, including statistical analysis and machine learning, the Siebel Energy Institute aims to accelerate advancements in the safety, security, reliability, efficiency, and environmental integrity of modern energy systems.

Siebel Energy Institute member universities include Carnegie Mellon University; Ecole Polytechnique, École Normale Supérieure de Paris; Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Politecnico di Torino; Princeton University; Tsinghua University; University of California, Berkeley; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and The University of Tokyo.

The Siebel Energy Institute will grant 40-50 research awards every year to attract $100 to $200 million in funded research projects. Using the Siebel Energy Institute grant awards, the research teams will develop cooperative and innovative research grants in data analytics, including statistical analysis and machine learning, the Siebel Energy Institute aims to accelerate advancements in the safety, security, reliability, efficiency, and environmental integrity of modern energy systems.

Siebel Scholars

The Siebel Scholars program was founded in 2000 to recognize the most promising students from the leading graduate schools of business, computer science, bioengineering, and energy science and to build a lifelong community of leaders. Siebel Scholars are chosen on the basis of outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership. On average, they rank in the top 5% of their class, many within the top 1%.

The Siebel Scholars program actively fosters collaboration and community to increase the potential for Siebel Scholars to achieve even more through their work with an incomparable group of equally talented peers. In 2015, Siebel Scholars continued to forge personal and professional connections through regional events and the community website.

Today, over 1,000 of the world’s brightest minds are Siebel Scholars. This formidable group of executives, entrepreneurs, researchers, and philanthropists directly influences the technologies, policies, and economic and social decisions that shape the world. Based on a 2011 survey representing 49% of the community, Siebel Scholars have served on 340 boards and founded more than 150 companies, 56 of which have gone public or were sold to enterprises including Google, Intuit, Match.com, and Dropbox. They manage more than $2.7 trillion in assets and innovate across disciplines, having launched more than 1,100 products, and authored more than 370 patents. As accomplished experts in their fields, they have published 34 books and over 2,600 articles or book chapters. Siebel Scholars also give back to their communities, founding 54 nonprofits and volunteering more than 19,000 hours each year.

The Siebel Scholars program was established through grants to Carnegie Mellon University; Ecole Polytechnique; Harvard University; Johns Hopkins University; Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Northwestern University; Politecnico di Torino; Princeton University; Stanford University; Tsinghua University; University of California, Berkeley; University of California, San Diego; University of Chicago; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; University of Pennsylvania; and The University of Tokyo.

Siebel Stem Cell Institute

The Siebel Stem Cell Institute, established by the Siebel Foundation in 2008, is a joint research initiative between the University of California, Berkeley Stem Cell Center and the Stanford Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine—two of the world’s leading stem cell research institutions.

Since its founding, the Siebel Stem Cell Institute has supported innovative research projects and collaborations among top physician-scientists, biologists, chemists, engineers, and computer scientists to harness the potential of regenerative medicine to address intractable diseases and confront challenges presented by aging.

In 2015, the Institute made advancements in understanding the behavior of stem cells in cancerous tissues, in the blood, in embryonic tissues, and in the mechanisms for cellular renewal and production. Siebel Stem Cell Scholars worked toward the creation of new disease models that will shed light on heart disease and lead to therapies that catalyze the human body’s innate healing potential. Crucial discoveries were made in identifying the underlying mechanisms that give rise to Parkinson’s and Alzheimer’s disease in order to create new therapies and treatments.
$7,075,104 — The Salvation Army to supply food and shelter to the homeless and those in need. Regional grants include: $14,650,884 in San Jose, CA; $14,649,784 in San Francisco, CA; $6,550,000 in Great Falls, MT; $6,550,000 in Helena, MT; $4,600,000 in Billings, MT; $5,237,218 in New York, NY; $1,837,218 in Palm Desert, CA; $1,750,000 in Carmel, CA; and $1,250,000 in Brunswick, GA.

$3,844,486 — Siebel Scholars Foundation to promote excellence and create an active community of outstanding graduate students and leaders from the world’s top bioengineering, business, and computer science schools.

$3,588,746 — University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to design and construct a state-of-the-art research and education facility for the Department of Computer Science, establish endowments for the Thomas M. Siebel Chair in the History of Science and the Thomas M. Siebel Chair in Computer Science, and to support academic and scholarship programs.

$30,084,690 — Meth Project to develop and fund a large-scale prevention program aimed at significantly reducing methamphetamine use.

$15,788,850 — Stanford University to support academic, scholarship, and athletic programs at Stanford University, and to build world-class golf and football practice facilities for the Stanford University Golf and Football teams.

$15,500,000 — University of California, Berkeley & Stanford University, Siebel Stem Cell Institute to establish an innovative, joint stem cell research program between the University of California, Berkeley Stem Cell Center and the Stanford Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine.

$11,508,387 — Princeton University to fund the Princeton Energy Grand Challenge project to address the reduction of energy demand through technology and social change, to establish the Thomas M. Siebel Chair in the History of Science, and to support academic and scholarship programs.

$9,961,031 — University of California, Berkeley to support academic and scholarship programs at the University of California, Berkeley, and to establish the Thomas M. Siebel Chairs in Computer Science and the History of Science.

$7,982,350 — Menlo School to support the academic, fine arts, and athletic programs at the Menlo School, and to fund the design and construction of new academic facilities.

$7,210,017 — Massachusetts Institute of Technology to support academic and scholarship programs at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

$6,386,300 — National Center for Equine Facilitated Therapy to provide a premier equestrian facility in support of therapeutic programs for people with disabilities, and establish an endowment to fund ongoing maintenance.

$6,139,784 — Robin Hood Foundation to provide funding to house, feed, and educate needy children and adults in New York City, including grants to construct a new facility for St. John’s Bread and Life—the largest soup kitchen in Brooklyn—and to establish a premier teacher-training institute and education fund.

$3,934,900 — Eastside College Preparatory School to fund the development of new dormitory facilities and fund scholarships for underprivileged students in the East Palo Alto, CA community who do not have a safe, supportive environment in which to live and study.

$3,855,064 — The University of Chicago to support the University of Chicago’s programs and facilities campus-wide in order to recruit and retain leading faculty, attract top students, and fund academic research and scholarship programs.

$3,691,091 — Palo Alto Medical Foundation to fund research in distance medicine and the expansion of the Encina Medical Center, a new facility providing high-quality medical care.

$3,069,391 — University of California, Berkeley to support academic and scholarship programs at the University of California, Berkeley, and to establish the Thomas M. Siebel Chairs in Computer Science and the History of Science.

$2,600,064 — Northwestern University to support academic and scholarship programs at Northwestern University.

$2,600,040 — Carnegie Mellon University to support academic and scholarship programs at Carnegie Mellon University.

$9,961,031 — University of California, Berkeley to support academic and scholarship programs at the University of California, Berkeley, and to establish the Thomas M. Siebel Chairs in Computer Science and the History of Science.

2000-2015 TOTAL GRANTS: $272,361,678
$2,600,009 — Harvard University to support academic and scholarship programs at Harvard University.

$2,600,009 — University of Pennsylvania to support academic and scholarship programs at the University of Pennsylvania.

$2,340,000 — Dearborn Scholarship Fund to provide merit-based college scholarships for the children of active officers of the Montana Highway Patrol and Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks.

$2,275,000 — Museum of the Rockies to design and build the Siebel Dinosaur Complex, home to one of the finest paleontology collections in North America.

$2,258,336 — Siebel Energy Prize Foundation to fund the development of an incentive prize to inspire and reward innovative energy solutions that show promise to effect significant economic change.

$2,255,000 — Tsinghua University.

$2,080,000 — University of California, San Diego to support academic and scholarship programs at the University of California, San Diego.

$2,000,000 — Johns Hopkins University to support academic and scholarship programs at The Johns Hopkins University.

$2,000,000 — Tsinghua University to support academic and scholarship programs at Tsinghua University.

$1,943,000 — Siebel Energy Institute to support research that accelerates advancements in the safety, security, reliability, cost efficiency, and environmental integrity of modern energy systems.

$1,911,000 — American Agora Foundation to support the literary magazine Lapham’s Quarterly and programs to promote an understanding and appreciation of history.

$1,368,500 — American Enterprise Institute to fund research and education on issues of government, politics, economics, and social welfare.

$1,040,977 — American Red Cross to support the Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund and to establish the Fund for Haiti to support relief efforts in Haiti following the January 12, 2010 earthquake.

$1,020,000 — Hoover Institution to support policy oriented research and programs devoted to the advanced study of politics, economics, political economy, and international affairs.

$762,800 — Monterey Peninsula Foundation to support local charities in Monterey Peninsula, CA.

$601,000 — American Academy of Arts and Sciences to support The Lincoln Project: Excellence and Access in Public Higher Education.

$575,000 — San Francisco First Tee to support at-risk youth by providing education programs that build character, instill values, and promote healthy choices through golf instruction.

$412,376 — Woodside School Foundation to support academic programs at the Woodside School.

$363,116 — Lucile Packard Foundation for Children’s Health to support the Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital Stanford.

$340,000 — Siebel Scholars Impact Award to inspire, reward, and accelerate Siebel Scholars’ philanthropic initiatives that demonstrate promise for significant societal change.

$300,000 — Great Falls Soccer Foundation to support the high school soccer programs in Great Falls, MT.

$281,400 — Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired to promote independence and improve quality of life for those with severe vision loss.

$250,000 — African Leadership Academy to help enable lasting peace and prosperity in Africa by developing and connecting the continent’s future leaders.

$270,000 — Children of the Dump to provide food, shelter, and medical supplies to homeless and impoverished children in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

$240,000 — Children’s Shelter of Hope Foundation to fund homeless shelters and day care facilities for needy children in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

$210,000 — Montana Trout Unlimited to preserve, protect, and restore Montana’s cold water fisheries and their watersheds.

$200,500 — Philanthropy Roundtable to support programs aimed at fostering excellence in philanthropy, protecting philanthropic freedom, and assisting donors.

$200,000 — Covenant Village of Northbrook to support programs and activities at the Covenant Village of Northbrook, IL.

$190,000 — San Mateo Historical Society to support ongoing programs to preserve the history of San Mateo County, CA.

$178,100 — The Horse Park at Woodside to support equestrian programs aimed at encouraging the growth and development of youth in Woodside, CA.

$178,000 — Florence Crittenton Home to assist in the development of a new home for at-risk adolescent girls in Helena, MT.

$165,000 — Montana Game Warden’s Association to support activities dedicated to the preservation, enhancement, and protection of Montana’s fish, wildlife, and parks resources.

$149,500 — Augusta Volunteer Ambulance Services to provide emergency services for the Augusta, MT community.

$120,000 — Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History to support educational programs at the museum.

$100,000 — Montana Historical Society to support the significant historic, archaeological, and cultural preservation efforts of the Montana Historical Society.

$100,000 — Siebel Soccer Fields to fund the construction of soccer fields for the Helena, MT community.
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2015

ASSETS
Investments, at fair market value:
  Unrestricted securities ...................................................... $ 156,240,725
  Total Investments .......................................................... $ 156,240,725
Cash and cash equivalents ................................................. $ 44,222,485
Other assets ........................................................................ $ 147,185
  Total Assets ...................................................................... $ 200,610,395

LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS
  Unrestricted net assets ...................................................... $ 200,610,395
  Total Liabilities and Unrestricted Net Assets .................. $ 200,610,395

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

INCOME
  Dividends and interest ..................................................... $ 3,583,039
  Gain/loss on investments ................................................ $ (3,590,746)
  Total Income .................................................................. $ (7,707)

EXPENDITURES
  Donations* ................................................................. $ 8,775,079
  Salaries and benefits ...................................................... $ 27,285
  Federal taxes .................................................................. $ 195,000
  Professional fees ............................................................ $ 174,917
  Other expenditures ......................................................... $ 255,198
  Total Expenditures ........................................................ $ 9,427,479

*Reflects donations from the Siebel Foundation and private gifts.