

Valencia College District Board of Trustees Foundation Report May 22, 2025

Valencia College Alumni Relations Mary S. Collier Distinguished Graduate Award:

We are pleased to honor the Spring 2025 Distinguished Graduate, Alfredo Dominguez. Alfredo was determined to earn his degree – and came back to Valencia College because the faculty and staff made him feel like a member of the family. Please find Alfredo's story here: https://valencia.org/alumni/distinguished-graduate/

Paralegal Studies Program Celebrates 50 Years:

- On Thursday, May 8, 2025, the Valencia College Foundation hosted the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the **Paralegal Studies Program** at the Valencia College West Campus. The event included more than 120 community leaders, alumni, past and present faculty, and students and recognized five Outstanding Alumni Honorees:
 - Kathy Adams, FRP '03
 - o Giulia R. Grant. Esq. '12
 - o Peonca S. Grier, CP, FRP, SHRM-CP '09
 - Andrea Isaza-Roldan '14
 - Angel E. Sanchez, JD '14
- Special thanks to our Event Sponsors BakerHostetler and GrayRobinson, and special guest speaker Roxane MacGillivray, CCEP, CFE '81. Our appreciation also goes to the members of the "Past, Present, and Future" panel, Kenneth Bevan, Esq.; Victoria Gould, FRP '15, '16; Paul Pelton, FRP; and Roseann Bakhrebah '24; and moderator Cathleen Mestre, Esq.

Philanthropic Highlights:

 \$100,000 from Walt Disney World to address student food insecurity through support of VCentials.

- \$75,000 from the Harvey & Carol Massey Foundation to support scholarships for students enrolled in one of Valencia College's accelerated skills training programs. Andrea Massey-Farrell, President/CEO of the Harvey & Carol Massey Foundation and Senior Vice President, Community Relations for Massey Services is a Class of 1996 Valencia College alumna.
- \$50,000 from the **Duke Energy Foundation** to support scholarships for students enrolled in Valencia College's Electrical Powerline Technician accelerated skills training program.

Save the Date - Please Join Us in Celebration of Valencia College:

• Please join us on **Saturday, September 13, 2025,** for the upcoming Red, Black and Boundless Gala at Walt Disney World's Epcot World ShowPlace Pavilion.

5:00 pm. Cocktail reception

6:30 p.m. Dinner and program

9:00 p.m. Luminous the Symphony of Us fireworks spectacular