



**Valencia College District Board of Trustees
Foundation Report
June 19, 2025**

The Valencia College Foundation Board of Directors – Slate of Officers:

The Valencia College Foundation Board of Directors is pleased to announce the approval of its new slate of officers.

Elected to serve a two-year term, these dedicated leaders will provide strategic vision and guidance in support of the Foundation’s mission: to advance learning, workforce development, and economic opportunity throughout Central Florida by inspiring and stewarding philanthropic support for Valencia College.

Please join us in welcoming and congratulating our newly appointed officers as they begin this important service to our students, our college, and our community.

Sheri Torres, Chair, Walt Disney World

Jeff Mock, Vice Chair, Clancy & Theys Construction

Patricia Engfer, Treasurer and Finance Chair

David Berelsman, Secretary

The Valencia College Foundation Vision-Based Strategic Plan Update

The Valencia College Foundation is currently in Year 2 of its Vision-Based Strategic Plan—a three-year roadmap designed to guide the Foundation in advancing growth and long-term sustainability. This plan is intentionally aligned with Valencia College’s Strategic Impact Plan, which is designed to improve the educational and economic outlook for the Central Florida community.

In close partnership with the Board of Directors, the Foundation is actively making meaningful progress across the plan’s three strategic pillars: Advancement, Operations, and Governance. These efforts are helping to strengthen the Foundation’s capacity to support students, faculty, and the broader college community now and into the future.

Philanthropic Highlights:

- \$40,000 from **Bank of America** to provide gap funding support to students who are seeking a high-wage career in a high-demand industry by upskilling or reskilling in one of Valencia College's accelerated skills training programs. Since 2020, Bank of America has provided \$465,000 in support of accelerated skills training students.
- \$26,000 from the **Winter Park Lifelong Learning Foundation (WPLLFF)** to create an endowed scholarship to support Valencia College students who are residents of Winter Park, have a 3.0 GPA or higher and have completed at least 30 credit hours toward an A.A. or A.S. degree. WPLLFF was founded in 2024 to foster lifelong learning for all generations by bringing relevant education to modern adults and empowering younger generations to pursue higher learning. One hundred percent of tuition funds for all courses are donated to the Valencia College Foundation to support the Winter Park Lifelong Learning Foundation Scholarship.

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