Valencia College Foundation Report to the District Board of Trustees December 2016

Foundation creates new giving initiatives

Valencia Foundation has launched a new annual giving program to expand opportunities for donors to support the core mission of the college at varying gift levels.

The centerpiece is the Valencia Fund, which has been created to encourage broad-based donations, both modest and major, to increase educational opportunities for students. The program provides a sustainable method to fund student support, including S.O.S. minigrants to cover emergency needs, textbook awards, scholarships, undergraduate research and academic travel.

The second designation is the **Fund for the Arts**, which has been created to fill funding gaps and develop a cadre of patrons who care deeply about the fine, visual and performing arts. It will support Valencia's theatrical and film productions, dance, vocal and musical performance, arts exhibits, equipment, technology, visiting artists and fellows, master classes, and local arts partnerships.

The **Parents and Family Fund** has been established as a way to foster the involvement and philanthropy of family members of enrolled students and alumni. This fund is focused on student support in areas that include career exploration and development, cultural experiences, service learning and community service.

To learn more, please email John, jmosser1@valenciacollege.edu, or Geraldine, ggallagher@valenciacollege.edu.

Help tell our Valencia story

Please join the foundation board leaders in hosting one of a series of social events designed to introduce the college's mission to like-minded friends and colleagues. Events have ranged in size from a handful of guests to several dozen, and may occur in your home or office, on campus or at a hospitality venue. Please call Geraldine to explore options and secure a spot on Sandy's calendar, (407) 582-3155.

Will you expand access to learning opportunities for deserving students?

As you plan your 2016 charitable contributions, please consider a tax-deductible gift to support Valencia. You can make a secure donation by visiting: www.valencia.org/donate.

Don't miss the fun: Join our upcoming meetings and events

- Thursday, Feb. 1, and Friday, Feb. 2, Foundation Board Retreat, Reunion Resort.
- Wednesday, Feb. 15, 8:30 a.m. networking/breakfast, 9 a.m. meeting, Foundation Board Finance Committee Meeting, Citrus Club.
- Wednesday, May 10, 8:30 a.m. networking/breakfast, 9 a.m. meeting, Foundation Board Finance Committee Meeting, Citrus Club.
- Saturday, May 20, Taste for Learning, Rosen Shingle Creek Resort.