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The best part of that achievement is that each of them returned to be a part the community that loved them. I can identify very well with their longing to bring their futures and that of their children back to the Island that gave them their start. We are fortunate that Galveston College has been a part of us for over fifty years and that Galveston College Foundation has provided the means and opportunity for so many. Although no longer in the classroom or in the family business, I continue to serve the community that gives everyone an opportunity to succeed. The College and the Foundation permit me to be part of changing lives for the better, and advocate for the progress necessary to insure the future of our Island home.

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**VISION**

The Galveston College Foundation seeks to fulfill its mission through ensuring the College's success by:

1. Seeking the resources to offer all qualified students a scholarship to the College.
2. Developing a partnership between the College and the community that places Galveston College at the center of the community.
3. Embracing diversified strategies for raising funds.
4. Developing community affinity groups that address long-term needs for college programs.
5. Being Galveston College’s premier partner for the development of the College.
6. Maintaining an integrated and fiscally sound management system.
7. Being held publicly accountable for its management practices.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Galveston College Foundation exists to support and enhance the ability of Galveston College to accomplish its mission of improving people’s lives through lifelong learning.

**GOALS**
mid all the conversation about endowment and asset size, investment performance, and even cuts in state funding, it would be easy to get lost in the numbers. As stakeholders in Galveston College Foundation (GCF), Galveston College would never want the “how” of giving to overshadow the “why” of your generosity.

GCF’s purpose is to encourage, support and invest in charitable giving for the benefit of the College’s academic and technical programs and scholarships to aid students in attaining an associate college degree, transfer of credits to a four year university program, or necessary workforce certification. It also manages and invests funds for essential facilities growth such as the eagerly anticipated Abe and Annie Seibel Foundation Student Residence Hall complex.

GCF’s Development Growth Committee seeks and manages preliminary dollars in support of the upcoming campaign for the Nursing, Health Sciences & Culinary Arts/Nutrition Systems Building.

Every day, the College acknowledges the powerful mission of the Foundation and its conscientious Board of Directors through their service which informs, inspires, and works closely with generous donors who support our College. As you read through the impressive achievements of the Universal Access Community Endowment Scholarship recipients, know this cannot happen without you.

The Foundation’s commitment to you is accomplished by the Office of Development/Foundation & Grants in the following ways:

**Make giving simple**—Whether you make a gift online, write a check, perform a wire transfer, or create a planned gift or bequest, they are here to help.

**Let you know that your gifts matter**—Supporting the College and Foundation is an important expression of your priorities and values. As a transparent organization, you are encouraged to play an active role in knowing where your money goes and how it is spent.

**Invest and manage your gifts wisely**—The Foundation’s outstanding investment results happen by design, not chance.

The GCF’s senior volunteer leadership and skilled investment management will confidently establish or upgrade endowed funds.

On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff, allow me to express sincere appreciation for your generosity and our pride in the Foundation’s stewardship of your gifts.

Myles Shelton
Brief History

Founded in 1996, Galveston College Foundation is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that receives gifts, grants, donations, and scholarships for the benefit of Galveston College and its students. Since its founding, it has helped more than 1,700 students attain their dream of attending college. Thanks to the generosity of a consistent community of donors and strategic financial management.

Galveston College Foundation holds assets as of August 31, 2018 of $17,500,000 largely restricted in areas of the performance-based Universal Access Community Endowment Scholarship (UA), separate UA Books, endowed and special program project funds, and a Title V Endowment. Since 2013, the Foundation has embarked on an aggressive growth strategy to build upon existing and future donations to ensure the continued viability of meeting its strategic mission goals and objectives.

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Gifts of size as well as highly professional management and investment practices of Board volunteer leadership grew the universal access endowment to approximately $8,800,000. In fall 2018, Galveston College Foundation’s Universal Access Community Endowment will meet the cost of full tuition and required fees ($4,620 plus $200 book stipend) to complete a 60 credit-hour degree plan at Galveston College allowing for graduation in a variety of programs/certifications, or transferable credits to any public college or university four-year program and/or gainful employment.
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Martinez, Aydee Ailed
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Woods, Brandon Matthew*
Xiao, Litao*
Zepeda, Felipe E.
Zuniga, Ryan*

Universal Access Community Endowment scholar, Nathan Soord, with Ron Crumedy, Acting Vice President of Student Services

Former GCF Chair, Jan Coggeshall, and Universal Access Community Endowment scholar, Adam Pameron
Gabriel Prusmack is an industrial pop artist. His vibrant spray-painted murals with his “be free” signature swirl can be seen in public spaces and establishments throughout Galveston County and the Gulf Coast region.

But Gabriel’s story is more about freedom – a journey of faith and a belief in God that he credits with the fulfillment of his dream of becoming a full-time artist.

The youngest of six children of parents Thomas and Leticia Prusmack of Galveston, Gabriel has lived in Texas all of his life.

“I grew up in a family of artists,” Gabriel shared while working on his latest commissioned piece – interior wall murals for the new Delores Fenwick Nature Center in Pearland (shown in photo above and on right).

“My grandmother was a painter. One of my brothers paints and sketches. Two of my brothers are musicians,” he said. “I have been surrounded by art all of my life.”

While visiting an older brother in Venice Beach as a teenager, Gabriel took notice of the art of graffiti.

“I was working with my brother out in L.A.,” Gabriel said. “And I saw all of the graffiti. It inspired me. I thought, ‘I can do this.’”

Gabriel’s work has evolved from his early days of tagging abandoned buildings with graffiti to widely acclaimed pieces, most of which are commissioned, and wood and metal art.

His striking murals can be found in a variety of places on the Island, including “The Voice of God,” his largest outdoor piece to date, which is located on the exterior wall of Shark Shack at 24th and Strand in Galveston; “Greetings from Galveston” at Saengerfest Park, 23rd and The Strand, Galveston; “Sea Turtle” at Menard Park, 28th and Seawall Boulevard; a mural on the back wall of the Sherwin-Williams’ paint store building at 61st Street and Broadway; and a wall at the Antonelli Plaza at 2528 Ball St.

His favorite piece is a commissioned mural at Moe’s Corner Store, 1902 23rd St., Galveston, which features his signature “Be Free” design and his favorite subject: birds.

“I got a lot of jobs from the Moe’s job,” he said. “I love painting birds. They are fun to take apart and put back together. Birds and vehicles. I like to deconstruct and reconstruct vehicles, too.”

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Gabriel said his art is designed to inspire positivity and happiness.

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To see more of Gabriel’s work, visit gabrielprusmack.com.

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Growing up in Galveston, Gabriel learned to surf and skateboard at an early age. He won several state championships in surfing and traveled throughout the nation to compete in both surfing and skateboarding competitions.

Soon after graduating high school in 2006, Gabriel joined the staff of Island Church with Pastors Rusty and Leah Martin. He also started a skate park ministry called Skating for Jesus in the spring of 2012.

He came to Galveston College as a Universal Access Community Endowment scholar, and in May 2013, graduated from Galveston College with an Associate of Arts in general studies.

Gabriel is quick to praise Galveston College art professor, John Stovall, and other mentors at Galveston College and Ball High School who have helped him hone his craft.

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With success in meeting the fully funded tuition and fees objective in 2018, the Board began to address the question of how to reduce attrition and decrease the total number of semesters a UA scholar takes to meet their educational objective.

With this in mind, the Foundation reviewed the costs of attendance at Galveston College. The resulting report to the Board highlighted the impact of rising costs outside of tuition and fees. For example, monies required for books typically comprises another 25-40%. In addition, program-specific fees can easily increase costs by another 30-35%.

Another powerful deterrent to student achievement and success are the costs of digital equipment and access codes which are essential for every 21st century college student regardless of major.

Early and on-time graduation for UA scholars delivers a sizeable return on investment in the form of economic expansion through sustained employment, higher earnings, new and continued business development, and ultimately, higher tax revenues. Long-term economic progress in Galveston is contingent upon the financial support given to our students to pursue higher education.

The successful application to the Moody Foundation for $3,000,000 allows the Foundation to expand on the success of the UA scholarship program.

Currently, the Board is in the process of reviewing, adapting and incorporating the policies needed to administer the Non-Tuition Educational Expenses Fund (NTEEF).

At $3,400,000 in cash and pledges, GCF is slightly more than half-way to goal.
The Moody Foundation awarded $3 million to Galveston College Foundation for Non-Tuition Educational Expenses Campaign

The Moody Foundation awarded $3,000,000 to Galveston College Foundation toward a second community endowment campaign for new funds to cover specified non-tuition educational expenses.

Earlier this year, the Board of Directors of the Galveston College Foundation launched an ambitious $6,000,000 fundraising campaign to establish policy and distribution of invested funds for eligible Universal Access scholarship recipients to receive not only tuition, fees and books, but funding for other unmet education needs.

The Universal Access Community Scholarship Endowment (UA) supports Galveston high school graduates who are ineligible for federal funding toward their higher education goals at Galveston College. Currently, the UA Endowment pays for up to 60 credit hours for tuition, required fees and a book stipend.

In 2014, the Moody Foundation gave the UA Community Endowment $3,000,000 effectively more than doubling the endowment. That gift reinvigorated support from the community toward fully endowing the UA Scholarship for Galveston students.

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“The Universal Access Community Scholarship Endowment and the Non-Tuition Educational Expenses Fund campaign seek to fully assure a college education for Galveston students and their families without incurring debilitating debt,” said Maria S. Tripovich, director of the Office of Development/Galveston College Foundation & Grants.

“An enlightened citizenry is necessary for a well-functioning society and propagation of our country’s highest ideals. Toward that end, The Moody Foundation and Galveston College Foundation are allied through a dedicated investment of resources to make higher education universal in Galveston.”
Above (from left to right): President Dr. W. Myles Shelton, Angela Blair, Director of Education at The Moody Foundation representing the $3,000,000 gift for Universal Access Non-Tuition Educational Expenses Endowment, and Dr. Donna Lang, GCF Director attending the inaugural Universal Access Community Endowment for Non-Tuition Educational Expenses Award Ceremony.

Right (left to right): William Maury Darst Memorial Scholarship donors Dr. Sidney & Mrs. Marlene Young, Mrs. Catharine Darst Knight, and Darst scholar, Dalia Orea.

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**What We Support:**

- Tuition, Required Fees and Books
- Non-Tuition Educational Expenses: Books, Equipment, Online Access Codes for Distance Education, Digital Books, Licensing Fees, Testing Fees

**Largest Gifts:**

*From an Organization*
- $3,000,000

- Universal Access Community Endowment Non-Tuition Educational Expenses
- The Moody Foundation

*From a Family*
- $50,000
  - Armin & Gail Cantini
  - Lynn Levin Cantini Memorial Nursing Scholarship

*From a Corporation*
- $50,000
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**Galveston College Foundation**

**Financials**

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**Statements of Financial Position**

As of August 31, 2018

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In 2018, GCF began its Community Endowment for Non-Tuition Educational Expenses at Galveston College campaign. Building on an initial award of $100,000 by the Moody Permanent Endowment Fund, GCF obtained a $3,000,000 award from The Moody Foundation to aid in developing a scholarship program to raise funds to help our Universal Access scholars meet the rising costs of education outside of tuition and fees.

At the center of the Foundation’s effort is the recruitment and nurturing of endowments. The financial health of the Foundation has never been better resulting from the introduction in 2013 of a thoughtful and active process of establishing carefully managed, growth-bearing accounts with oversight by a knowledgeable board. The above graph shows Galveston College Foundation assets have increased from $5,300,000 to approximately $17,500,000.

Because of this period of successful fundraising coupled with grant submissions, the benefits quickly became evident by 2015 and are reflected in the graph above. The resulting growth allowed for a series of increases in the total UA lifetime award and introduction of the textbook stipend. By August 31, 2018, the amount for the Universal Access endowment balance had grown to $13,415,616. In 2017, Galveston College Foundation was able to award ten “UA Plus” scholarships to its highest academic achievers at an awards ceremony held in their honor.

In 2018, the Board achieved a major objective to fund a 60 credit hour Galveston College education for eligible students through the Universal Access program. Starting in fall 2018 semester GCF is able to provide $4,620 (the cost of a sixty credit hour Associate degree) and a $200 one-time stipend towards books.

**Other Scholarships:**
In addition to the Universal Access Community Endowment Scholarship program, GCF administers over fifty scholarships designed to benefit students that range from focuses on music, athletics, culinary arts, to degree-specific such as nursing or psychology.
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Jessica Raeke hails from Baltimore, Maryland, and moved with her family to Galveston when she was seven. Daughter of two science centric parents, she knew from a young age she wanted to work with animals. Her father worked with penguins at the Baltimore Zoo, then at Moody Gardens, so it was a natural path for her to be interested in becoming a biologist and work in zoology.

Having volunteered at Moody Gardens during high school, when she graduated from Ball High, she wanted to immediately get hands-on working experience while starting college. She started at Galveston College as a Universal Access Community Endowment scholar, while working at Moody Gardens as an Interpretive Naturalist. Once she achieved her Associate of Arts in General Studies, she was ready to pursue her Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology at Texas A&M University Galveston Campus, while continuing her career at Moody Gardens as a biologist working with South Atlantic Penguin species and Humboldt Penguins.

You may have met her if you have had the opportunity to take advantage of Moody Garden’s penguin experience. Her enthusiasm for sharing nature in an educational yet entertaining environment is catching, and I am sure she has recruited many volunteers to their cause.

When asked how she adjusted to the smells of the penguin environment, she responds “it never really bothered (her) since she grew up with the smell of penguins through her father’s work at the Baltimore Zoo.”

She graduated from Texas A&M Galveston in 2016 and now works in Moody Garden’s rainforest caring for more than 120 rain forest birds, with more than 40 species and 16 exhibit macaws in their 1 acre, 10 story, free-flight aviary.

As we visited, Jessica blew a whistle, calling to certain of the bird species that it was feeding time, and out of the “jungle” came Scarlet Ibis, a Blue-Crowned Motmot, Purple Glossy Starlings, and a slightly shy Sunbittern, among other beautiful birds the average person would only see in this type of environment. Hanging back were Blue and Gold Macaws, though they were close enough for guests to get a good view. Jessica was surrounded by her “flock” as visitors came to watch the beautiful birds as they fed. Children and adults alike asked questions, and it is easy to see Jessica’s passion for sharing information about the different varieties.

Jessica was happy to hear of the growth of the Universal Access Community Endowment and the new Endowment for Non-Tuition Educational Expenses. “Galveston College was a great transition for me to start my college career while also working in the field that I was planning to pursue.”

Photos courtesy of Jessica Raeke, Aviary Biologist, Moody Gardens, Galveston Island
Alumni Success Story

DENISE VARGAS ESCOBAR

Chef and entrepreneur Denise Vargas Escobar is about to accomplish a family business dream: A restaurant located where Club 21 previously existed which they have long thought would be perfect for the Vargas family’s next restaurant, a steakhouse. Thus, Vargas Cut & Catch has been born and Galveston can expect a new culinary experience.

Denise and her brother Juan have been working hard all summer to have it ready to open this fall. They are perfecting the menu which will include many types of steaks, and don’t we wish we were on the taste testing crew! Denise’s culinary background has taught her how restaurants evolve “almost like fashion trends,” and now there are so many dietary needs that need to be adapted to. “The culinary chef needs to understand you are cooking for the guest, not yourself,” she stated.

Even while working long hours on the new restaurant, she considers family the most important focus in her life. With her free time she spends time educating her daughter Sophia, spending as much time with her outdoors “exploring the world.” She is also very proud of her heritage and being a first generation Nicaraguan-American, and shares that pride with her daughter. Yet, even with those major obligations in her life, she has time to give back to the community. Higher education was always a Vargas family focus. Denise serves as President of the Galveston Restaurant Association, and through the organization’s golf tournament, raises money to support the Francisco “Paco” Vargas Scholarship.

She was also instrumental in participating in three of the Five Fabulous Chef events at Galveston College, working side by side along with her father Paco Vargas, while teaching students the fine art of delivering delicious food in a professional manner.

BOI (Born on the Island) and Ball High graduate, she attended Galveston College as a Universal Access Community Endowment scholar, then attended the University of Houston, earning a Certificate of Entrepreneurship from the Bauer School of Business and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. Denise was immediately recruited by Macy’s for their leadership program where she became the youngest manager in the program. But, she felt that her heart and soul belonged in the restaurant, and when Hurricane Ike hit she came back to work to help rebuild her father’s legacy. She enrolled in the Culinary Arts program at the Art Institute of Houston to learn more about the business and graduated at the top of her class. The Vargas-Escobar families are growing Galveston into the next generation.
With Gratitude

NEWLY ESTABLISHED SCHOLARSHIPS

The Lawrence J. Del Papa Memorial Nursing Endowment Scholarship
Maureen E. “Kewpie” Schwerdtfeger Gaido Resource Library Fund
John P. McGovern Memorial Nursing & Health Sciences Scholarship
Faye and Nick Kralj Memorial Endowment Scholarship*
Philip “Brother” Molis Law Enforcement Scholarship
Martin Rasmussen, Jr. Memorial Endowment Scholarship*
The Betty M. Schocke Charitable Foundation Scholarship
Hetta Jockush Towler Memorial Scholarship
&
Cecile Kempner Vocational and Technical Scholarship

Universal Access Community Endowment for Non-Tuition Education Expenses Campaign Fund
Moody Foundation*

* Pledge
GALVESTON COLLEGE FOUNDATION 2018-19 MANAGED & INVESTED SCHOLARSHIPS

Left to right: Sister Mary Agnesita Brosnan C.C.V.I. Memorial Nursing Scholarship representatives and scholars: Sr. Mary Patricia Driscoll, Mary Stewart, Sr. Rachel O’Keeffe, and Zsolt Petko

Left to right: Lynn Levin Cantini Memorial Nursing Scholarship representatives and scholars: Scott & Elizabeth Cryder, Armin Cantini, Timothy Rorie, Haley Webster, and Robert Clay

Vandy Anderson Memorial Culinary Scholarship
Marionette Beyah Memorial Scholarship
Rob Brasier Memorial Award
Sister Mary Agnesita Brosnan C.C.V.I. Memorial Nursing Scholarship
Ben & Marjorie Brown Trust Scholarship
Joan Cannady Memorial Scholarship
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Culinary Arts Scholarship
William Maury Darst Memorial Scholarship
Darst by Invitation Scholarship
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Easter-Wilson Endowed Scholarship
Edmonds/Nelson/Craft/Parker Scholarship
Laura Mae Elrod Scholarship
Galveston College Scholars Scholarship
Galveston Community Memorial Scholarship
Greater Texas Foundation Scholarship
Greenwood/Mills/Pattinson Scholarship
Drs. Charles Eric and Octavia Hall Endowment Fund Scholarship
Hermes / Jordan Athletic Scholarship
Michael Hodge Memorial Scholarship
Friends of Trudy Jordan Scholarship
Carl Kelly Scholarship
Cecile Kempner Vocational Technical Scholarship
Lambdin Memorial Scholarship
John P. McGovern Memorial Endowment Scholarship in Health Sciences
Clelie Ann Moore Ceramics Scholarship
Mr. Jesus & Mrs. Jesse Murillo Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Nielson Music Scholarship
Olga Olson Culinary Scholarship
Larry Patton Scholarship
Regents Scholarship
Monica Cecilia Ruiz Memorial Scholarship
The Betty M. Schocke Charitable Foundation Scholarship
Janice Stanton Scholarship
Texas Book Company Scholarship
Jean Thompson Psychology Scholarship
Rudy Tomjanovich Foundation Scholarship
Hetta Jockush Towler Memorial Scholarship
Universal Access Community Endowment Scholarship
University Federal Credit Union Scholarship
Francisco “Paco” Vargas/Galveston County Restaurant Association Culinary Arts Scholarship
Windle Vocal Scholarship

For further information on applying for the scholarships listed above, please contact the Office of Development, Galveston College Foundation & Grants at 409-944-1306.

Left to right: Philip “Brother” Molis Law Enforcement Scholars Barrington Hanna, Mario Reyes, and Eric Vela

Softball scholars Alexandria Lewis and Kylie Hunt with Hermes Jordan Athletic scholar Chesi Jones

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Galveston College Culinary Arts Students

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University Federal Credit Union Scholarship
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Hurricane Harvey Disaster Relief Scholarship Recipients: Robert Lehman—Top left, Sierra Harris—Top right, Hilda Chavez-Morales—Bottom left, Ezekiel Akpanowo—Bottom Right
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Bottom Left: Daughters of the American Revolution-George Washington Chapter representatives Catherine Merrell Polk (left), Cheryl Tucker (right) and scholar Madalean Strawn (center), Center: Edmonds/Nelson/Craft/Parker scholar, Vanessa Perez Velazquez, Right: GCF Director Frank Benavidez, Lulu Benavidez, and Galveston College Drama Scholars Jade Killebrew, Destiny Shute, and Michael Koval.
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A TRIBUTE TO JAN COGGESHALL

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Jan was heading up the board of the struggling theater at that time. We were immediately impressed by her wit, energy, diplomacy, passion, and effectiveness. We soon learned she had been Mayor of Galveston, no easy task.

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Though we didn’t live here when Jan served as Mayor, such courage under fire was her strong suit. Diplomacy, activism, and persistence are what she brought to Galveston College’s Foundation as well. At a time when the structure, financing, and direction of a program designed to provide scholarships support and funding for local high school graduates was somewhat adrift, she and her colleague, Roland Bassett, helped right the ship. The Foundation would not be what it is without her Steel Oleander presence, an award she garnered which is given to remarkable women in Galveston.

Due to her perspicacity, healing presence, and an enduring spirit of “can do,” the G.C. Foundation is now endowed with well over $17,500,000 to support the needs of our local high school graduates to enable them to prepare for careers in a broad variety of disciplines including computer science, culinary arts, nursing, cosmetology, welding, and many more.

This year marks a highwater mark in enrollment of full and part-time students allowing the GCF to reach ever more broadly and positively impact in supporting those seeking a high-quality college education from the top-ranked community college in Texas.

I am blessed to have known Jan as friend, colleague, and eventually as a patient as she cast her considerable light across the Galveston community for real and enduring good. Her life was one well lived. We miss her vibrant presence but are thankful we had the opportunity to walk with her awhile.

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