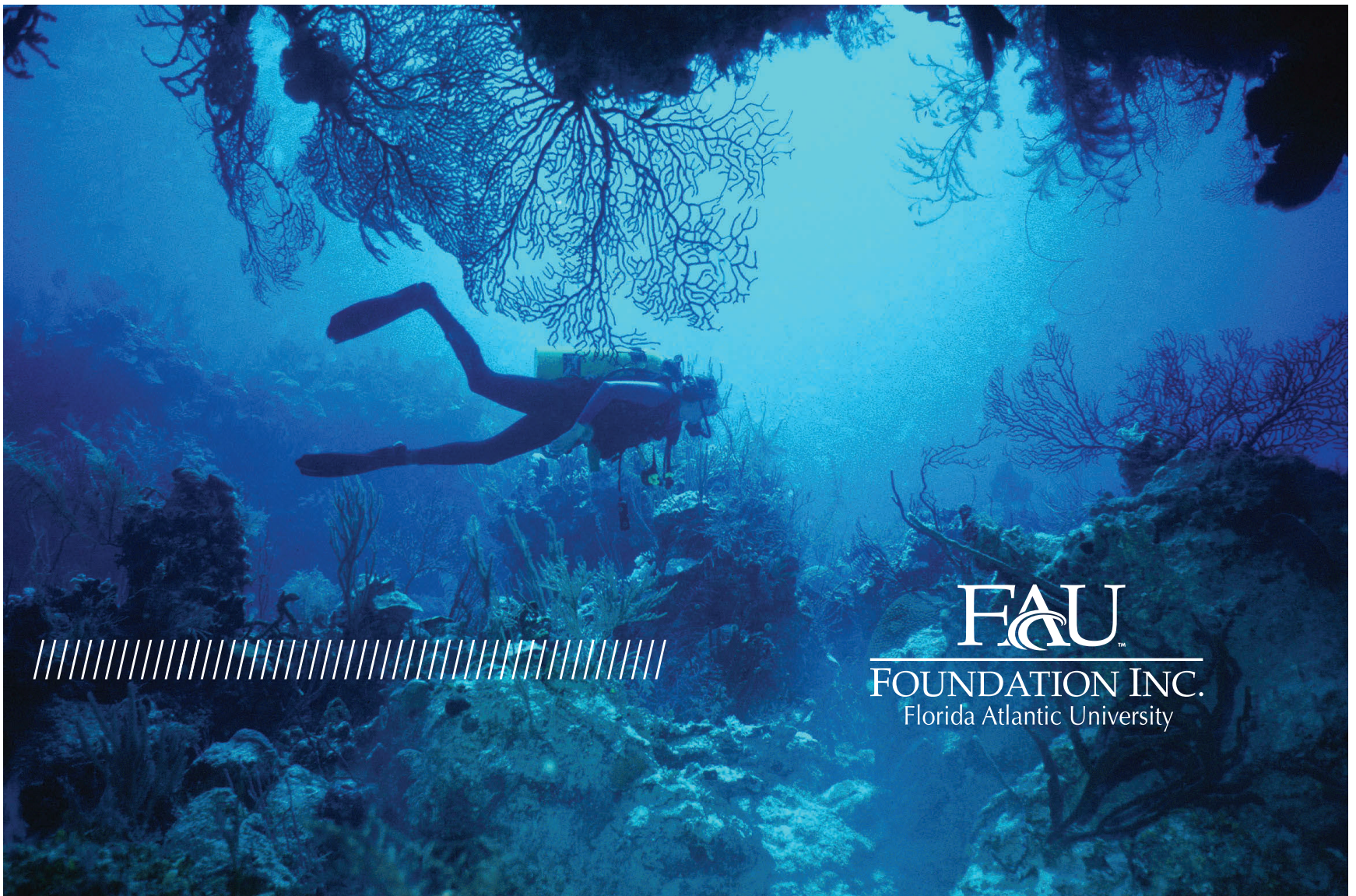


ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

2018 / 2019



FAU
FOUNDATION INC.
Florida Atlantic University

MESSAGE FROM THE FAU FOUNDATION

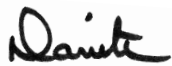
Dear Friends of FAU,

The impact of your giving through the FAU Foundation is transformative for our people, our purpose — and our paradise. During the past fiscal year, the Foundation made major strides in our fundraising, outreach and visioning for FAU's future, raising \$38 million in support of the University!

This report highlights how the Foundation has been creating access to excellence and buoying support systems that help our promising people strive — and thrive. Giving through FAU means forging the future for education, research and community partnership and the generous spirit of our supporters emboldens and inspires the Foundation's staff and board.

It is an exciting time to be part of the Owl family and we are thrilled to connect your passions with FAU's possibilities. Thank you for being a part of the Foundation's story of success during 2018-19. We look forward to partnering with you in the years ahead.

Yours in Philanthropy,



Danita D. Nias

Vice President for Institutional Advancement
and CEO of the FAU Foundation, Inc.



Stewart Martin '89

Chair of the FAU Foundation, Inc.
Board of Directors





7,315
DONORS


5,232
Donors who gave
gifts <\$1,000

9.7%
INCREASE
IN ALUMNI
DONORS

2018-2019
BY THE NUMBERS

\$38,005,699
TOTAL DOLLARS RAISED

\$1,806,559 
*raised for scholarships at
the 2019 President's Gala*

 **2,048**
*FAU students received financial
support from the Foundation*

 **\$5,200,851**
*Foundation scholarship and tuition
waiver funds distributed to FAU students*

\$227,471,032
ENDOWMENT VALUE
as of June 30, 2019 

201%
INCREASE
IN DOLLARS GIVEN
BY ALUMNI

630%
TOTAL GIVING
INCREASE
TO FAU ATHLETICS

26%
OF FAU FACULTY
AND STAFF GAVE
\$745,714

PHILANTHROPY IN PARADISE

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF SUPPORT FROM THE SCHMIDT AND LYNN FAMILIES

"IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO SPEAK ABOUT FAU'S HISTORY AND GROWTH WITHOUT CELEBRATING THE GENEROSITY AND IMPACT OF TWO OF OUR MOST BELOVED BENEFACTORS: THE SCHMIDT AND LYNN FAMILIES. THE FAU OF TODAY SIMPLY WOULD NOT EXIST WITHOUT THEIR VISION AND PASSION. ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE FAU COMMUNITY: THANK YOU."

— President John Kelly



Two generations of Schmidts have had an indelible impact on the University's past, present — and limitless future. The family's legacy of giving started in 1979 with the establishment of the College of Nursing Dean's Excellence Fund.

To honor Dorothy Schmidt following her death in 1991, the Schmidt family gave a transformational gift of \$10 million (matched with another \$10 million from the State of Florida) to build a new center and name the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters. The gift also endowed two eminent scholar "super" chairs in the Performing Arts and Humanities.

To honor Charles Schmidt following his death in 1996, the Schmidt family made a \$15 million gift (matched with another \$15 million from the State of Florida) in 1998 to name the College of Science and build and name a new biomedical facility — the Charles E. Schmidt Biomedical Science Center at the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science. The 95,000-square foot building would eventually become home to the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine.

The Schmidt Family's most recent gift — and FAU's largest to date — came from Dick and Barbara Schmidt as a \$16 million commitment to build the new Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence adjacent to FAU Stadium. The crown jewel of campus will be home to the Avron B. Fogelman Sports Memorabilia Museum, the College of Business' executive programs, FAU's one-stop shop for student support services, and training facilities for Owl student-athletes.

Throughout the years, the family has given scholarships and chairs in athletics, business, engineering and nursing, not to mention countless volunteer hours on everything from the FAU Foundation Board to lecturing in FAU classrooms.



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*“After I’m gone, I’ll leave a
legacy for people to enjoy and to
be cured and be cared for, and
to me, that’s the best gift I could
ask for.”*
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— Christine E. Lynn

At FAU, the Lynn name is synonymous with excellence and opportunity. In 40 years since its founding, FAU’s Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing has grown from offering an RN-BSN degree with approximately 10 students to enrolling more than 1,100 students in four degree programs at the Boca Raton, Davie and Harbor Branch campuses. Today, there are nearly 7,000 College of Nursing alumni with the majority residing and providing healthcare in South Florida.

Through it all, Christine E. Lynn has been a steadfast supporter. Mrs. Lynn and her late husband, Eugene M. Lynn, were among the first benefactors who provided the seed money to start FAU’s nursing program in 1979. The couple created the first Christine E. Lynn Eminent Scholar Chair in Nursing in 1984 to advance the field’s scholarship and inquiry, and continued to support its people and programs through the years, especially those focused on caring, gerontology and outreach to the underserved.

As a former registered and surgical nurse, Mrs. Lynn is deeply committed to healthcare; her passion motivates her principal philanthropy to FAU through the College, the Christine E. Lynn Center for Caring, the Anne Boykin Institute for the Advancement of Caring in Nursing, and Nursing Assistant Scholarships.

Thanks to Mrs. Lynn’s support, the College is internationally known for its commitment to nursing focused on nurturing the wholeness of people, and locally lauded for community outreach centers like the FAU Community Health Center, the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center, as well as partnerships with Boca Raton Regional Hospital and others.



GIVING IN ACTION

A BLOOMIN' MYSTERY

J. William Louda

Research Professor

Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Vision: To understand and prevent harmful algal blooms

Support: Crowdfunding match with 4ocean



The green, gooey, gaseous algae blooms from Lake Okeechobee that spill into our rivers — and eventually the Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico — have plagued our region for years. Scientists agree that three basic ingredients cook up the mess: sunlight, heat and nutrients, especially nitrogen and phosphorous. Florida's steamy summers have all of those elements; however, not every year yields a devastating bloom.

To understand why, J. William Louda, research professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science, is seeking answers along with a team of researchers at Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute (HBOI). This year, their research was funded with support from perfect strangers: More than 250 individual donors gave to a crowdfunding initiative that averaged \$75 per gift.

4ocean, an environmental advocacy organization founded by two FAU alumni, matched gifts up to \$11,000. In total, the campaign raised more than \$31,000 for the research.

"It's hard to pinpoint what the cause of these huge blooms is, but we're going to find out, and we're going to do it thanks to the support of partners like 4ocean and donors who care about the problem as much as we do."

— James Sullivan, Executive Director of Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute



FIRST AND PROUD

Neasha Prince

Senior / International Business, College of Business

Vision: To embolden fellow first-generation FAU students

Support: Kelly/Strul Emerging Scholars Program

The Kelly/Strul Emerging Scholars Program awards full scholarships to selected first-generation, low-income students from across Florida, including emerging leaders like Neasha Prince.

Neasha is one of 8,500 first-gen students at FAU and is working to make sure her peers know they are not alone in their journey. She founded First and Proud, an organization that connects students with similar experiences and challenges, as well as the resources to help them along the way. In its first year, the student organization had nearly 800 members.

Thanks to the Kelly/Strul program, Neasha also had the opportunity to attend a conference by the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities in Atlanta; that's where she interviewed for an internship at Kellogg's — and was offered a summer job on the spot.

“She had to work two to three jobs to make sure there was food on the table for my sister and me to eat. That’s why receiving the call from the Kelly/Strul team was the best gift I could ever give to my mother, to pay her back for what she’s sacrificed for us.”

— Neasha Prince, Kelly/Strul Emerging Scholar

GIVING IN ACTION

INSPIRING OUR STUDENTS

Donald and Elaine Singer Collection

School of Architecture

Vision: To alight the creativity of a new generation of student architects

Support: Donald and Elaine Singer



In January, the School of Architecture was gifted a Frank Lloyd Wright collection of artwork, books and other collectibles – totaling 189 items – by Donald and Elaine Singer. Wright was a renowned American architect, interior designer, writer and educator who designed more than 1,100 iconic buildings throughout the United States.

The Donald and Elaine Singer Collection will be housed at the Higher Education Complex — a building designed by Mr. Singer — at FAU's Fort Lauderdale Campus, and is available for viewing in the Resource Room for students and faculty. A portion of the books will be housed in the FAU Libraries' Rare Books Collection, which will be accessible to FAU's faculty.

The couple chose FAU as the collection's new home because of the University's commitment to keep the pieces together and to make them available to students.

“My wife and I donated our collection to enhance the research and teaching of architecture at Florida Atlantic University. Our hope is that it enriches the lives of generations of students and faculty to come.”

— Donald Singer



INVESTING IN HEALTH

Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine

Vision: To advance the health and wellness of our community by leading innovation in medical education, discovery, and patient-centered care

Support: The Marcus Foundation;
The Harry T. Mangurian Jr. Foundation



It was a banner year thanks to two generous benefactors who are propelling prevention and wellness initiatives at the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine.

Grants totaling \$4 million from The Marcus Foundation will create an accessible and academically-focused integrative healthcare practice in Boca Raton. These grants will enable FAU's Schmidt College of Medicine to develop and launch innovative clinical and educational health programs that will bring integrative health to the forefront of medical education and patient care in South Florida.

The College also received a \$3 million, three-year grant from the Harry T. Mangurian Jr. Foundation this year to expand the scope and reach of its Dementia Prevention Initiative, which aims to decrease the odds of people being affected by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. The initiative was launched in 2017 with a \$1 million grant.

“We are deeply grateful for the visionary gifts we have received from The Marcus Foundation and the Harry T. Mangurian Jr. Foundation. Their support is placing the Schmidt College of Medicine at the forefront of a new model of healthcare that emphasizes prevention and wellness to optimize overall health.”

*— Phillip Boiselle, M.D.,
Dean of the Charles E. Schmidt
College of Medicine*

GIVING IN ACTION

OVER THE FINISH LINE

Bebeto Amazan '19

Neuroscience / Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College

Vision: To become an orthopedic surgeon

Support: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
Scholarship; Alice and Don Hudson Scholarship;
CTW Foundation Scholarship



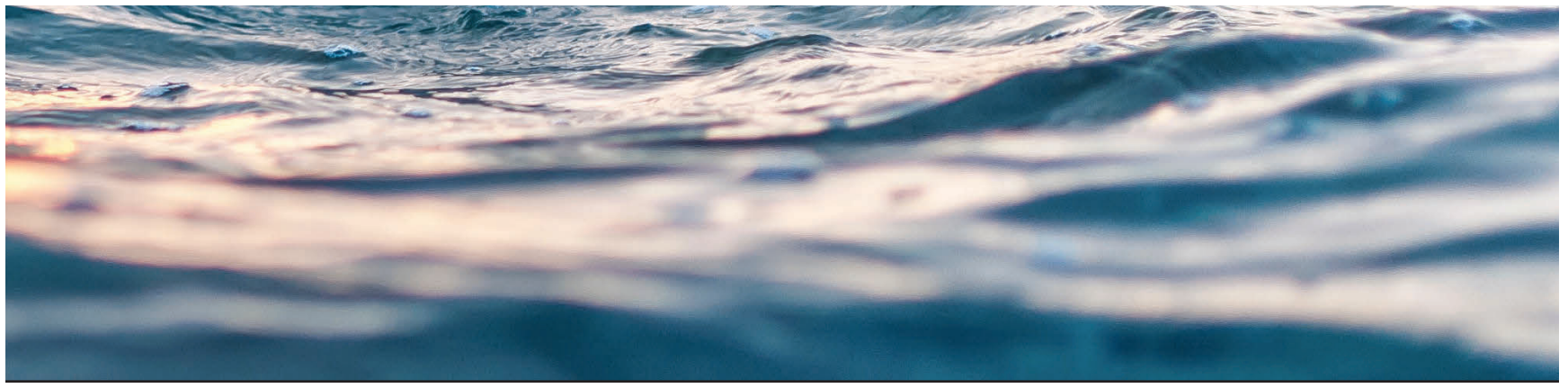
When Bebeto Amazan walked across the Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College commencement stage in May, he knew it was an accomplishment that almost didn't happen. Born to immigrant parents from Haiti, Bebeto worked to put himself through school and received support from two scholarships through the FAU Foundation. Even with this support, he fell short on funds his senior year.

To help Bebeto over the finish line, the CTW Foundation, which supports hospices and hospitals, and organizations involved with arts and culture, education, conservation and nursing, awarded him a generous scholarship. Thanks to the foundation's gift, he could finish his undergraduate research in the Brock Grill Laboratory at Scripps Research in Florida.

This year, he'll get a boost from FAU's other world-class partner in Jupiter, the Max Planck Institute for Neuroscience, where he was accepted as a Post-Baccalaureate Research Experience Fellow for 2019-2020.

*“When I crossed that stage
this spring, I planted the seed
of hope and prosperity for the
youth in my family — I can't
thank the CTW Foundation and
the Honors College enough for
graciously opening these doors
for me, and those who follow in
my footsteps.”*

— Bebeto Amazan '19



STEWARDING OUR SEAS

Jeanette Wyneken

Director of The FAU Marine Research Lab

Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Vision: To understand ocean health through leatherback turtle research and conservation

Support: Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.



Florida is the turtle coast: Our waters are migratory “swimways,” and our reefs and estuaries are habitats for five of the seven sea turtle species. Some of the most important nesting sites in the world are located here, making the FAU Marine Research Lab at Gumbo Limbo Environmental Complex in Boca Raton the perfect locale for Dr. Jeanette Wyneken’s research.

Under the direction of Dr. Wyneken, a world-renowned sea turtle biologist, FAU’s Marine Research Lab is the only lab in the world able to successfully study and raise the protected species of leatherback hatchlings. The lab also raises loggerhead and green turtle hatchlings for research and release.

At the facility, Dr. Wyneken and her students — Turtle Ambassadors — feed the turtles a special diet invented at the lab, weigh and measure them, clean their tanks, and maintain their health. A unique feature of the lab is the public visitor’s gallery where the ambassadors interact with over 120,000 curious visitors a year.

Now the team can truly take on leatherback turtle research and conservation efforts. And thanks to funding from Royal Caribbean Cruise Ltd. this year, the FAU Marine Research Lab now has stable support to help study this endangered species.

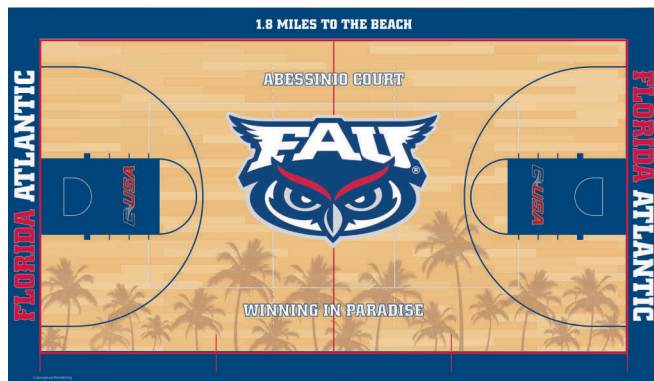
“This project is one that I’ve been working on sometimes on my own dollar, sometimes with the help of small gifts and grants. Royal Caribbean has made it possible to make the next big step; without their generosity, we wouldn’t be able to get done what we’ve been trying to do in small pieces for decades.”

*— Jeanette Wyneken, Director of
The FAU Marine Research Lab*

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

ABESSINIO COURT AT FAU ARENA

The FAU Athletic Department received a \$3 million gift from the **Rocco and Mary Abessinio Foundation** to name the new home of the FAU men's and women's basketball and volleyball teams. The gift ranks as the fifth-largest cash commitment to FAU Athletics.



CINDY AND RUBIN GRUBER SANDBOX

Rubin and Cindy Gruber gave \$1 million to renovate space within the FAU S.E. Wimberly Library as the new home of the Machine Perception and Cognitive Robotics Lab — the Gruber Sandbox — as well as a contribution to their eponymous endowment fund that invests in scholarships, summer research projects, and other student success activities.

AVRON B. FOGELMAN SPORTS MEMORABILIA MUSEUM

Former Kansas City Royals part-owner **Avron B. Fogelman** donated his 562-piece sports memorabilia collection to FAU, where it will be housed at the Fogelman Sports Museum in the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence. Valued at more than \$10 million, the gift includes historically significant memorabilia such as Joe DiMaggio's 1936 rookie uniform and the 1969 Ryder Cup trophy.



LATA AND SHIVA GANGAL GLOBAL INNOVATION HALL

The College of Engineering and Computer Science received a \$750,000 gift from the **GANGALS nonprofit Foundation, Inc.** to name the central hall in the Engineering East building. Last year, the Gangals established a \$500,000 gift to endow scholarships, and the couple gives direct awards to FAU engineering graduate students; their total gifts to FAU amount to approximately \$1.5 million.



SCHMIDT FAMILY COMPLEX FOR ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE

Opening in late 2019, the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence will transform FAU's three key priorities: student success, executive education and athletic excellence. The cutting-edge, 166,000-square foot complex is the ultimate student recruitment and success center, and supports FAU's bold vision to be the fastest-improving university. Nearly one-third of the complex will house the College of Business Executive Education degree programs, corporate training, and non-credit professional development programs.



PHYLLIS AND HARVEY SANDLER SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

In 2017, **Phyllis and Harvey Sandler** gave a transformative gift of \$7 million to name the School of Social Work. A portion of that gift was designated for the renovation and expansion of offices and classroom space, as well as the addition of a student lounge, a computer lab, and a 70-seat auditorium, which is set to open in 2020.



RICK AND LESLEY STONE ART COLLECTION

A donation of artwork valued at more than \$3.7 million was given to the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters by **Rick and Lesley Stone**. The 17 paintings, including works by Henri Matisse, Edward Willis Redfield, David Park and John Henry Twachtman, make up the collection, which will be housed this fall in a newly established Art History Teaching Laboratory being created within the Ritter Art Gallery.



ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Florida Atlantic University Foundation, Inc. unleashes access to excellence for thousands of the University's promising people and programs. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the Foundation connects private philanthropy with opportunities to advance the University's mission and strategic plan. Operating under the auspices of the Division of Institutional Advancement, the Foundation also serves as a fiduciary, caring for and distributing gifts in accordance with our donors' wishes.

SAVE THE DATE!



OCTOBER 17, 2019

FAU Alumni Association
Talon Leadership Awards

OCTOBER 23, 2019

Horizon Society Annual Luncheon

NOVEMBER 21, 2019

Groundbreaking Ceremony
John D. MacArthur Campus Neuroscience Center

DECEMBER 6, 2019

Alumni Wine and Cheese Holiday Concert Reception

APRIL 4, 2020

Ninth Annual President's Gala Celebrating
the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine

APRIL 23, 2020

Institutional Advancement's Celebrating
Scholarships Reception

MAY 5, 2020


FAU Alumni Association Hall of Fame
and Distinguished Alumni Celebration

MAY 11, 2020

Ribbon-cutting Ceremony for
the FAU Max Planck Academy (Jupiter)

OPENING CELEBRATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence
Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work



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