



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear community members,

As chairman, I am proud to share the wave of impact your generosity has had on SJR State students. In this report, you'll see our metrics, but more importantly, the faces of students and their stories of impact. With financial burdens removed, our students were able to focus on their studies and reach their academic goals.



The SJR State Foundation is only as strong as the community supporting us, and we are fortunate to have a strong community believing in our Vikings and investing in their future. You understand they are the future nurses, police officers, engineers, teachers, and business owners who make our communities thrive. Your generosity makes this possible.

Sincerely,

David Parsons

### **David Parsons**

St. Johns River State College Foundation Board Chairman

# A YEAR IN REVIEW

#### **JANUARY 18, 2023**

Orange Park Campus Learning Resources Center Dedication as the Clifford B. Stearns Learning Resources Center

# **MARCH 25, 2023**

Viking 5K

#### **APRIL 28, 2023**

Viking Alumni Night

# MAY 5, 2023

**Spring Graduation** 

#### JULY 11, 18, & 25, 2023

Scholarship Signing Days on each campus

#### **OCTOBER 21, 2023**

Athletic Association Golf Classic



# ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

Financial year ending March 31, 2023



\$387,473

Total dollar amount of philanthropic contributions to scholarships and programs

\$198,232

Total amount of donor-funded scholarships awarded to students

\$52,283

**SJR State endowment contributions** 

\$1,000

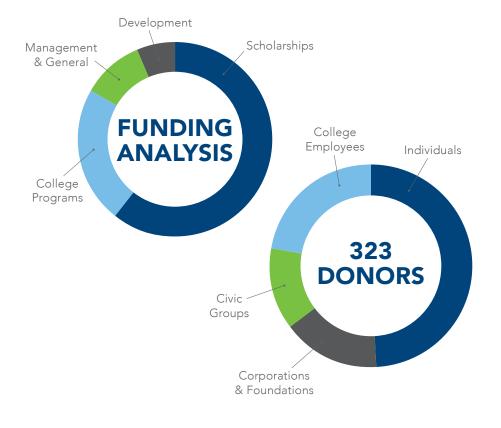
Average scholarship award

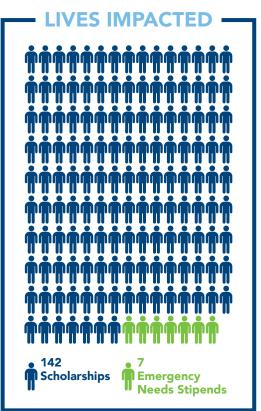
\$17,875

**SJR State Employee Giving to the Foundation** 

\$3,093

**Emergency Needs Stipends awarded** 







"I am very happy to support St. Johns River State College in providing traditional and nontraditional students of varying situations the opportunity to work toward their life's goals. It is so wonderful to have such an outstanding institution of higher learning in our community."

> — Joyce Oliver Foundation Board Member



"Thank you for aiding in my dream to become a city planner. This will pay for tuition, opening many doors for me. I plan to get my AA while at St. Johns, then to transfer to another college to study urban planning."

> — Kyun Session **Putnam County Scholars Scholarship**



"This is my investment in our future."

— Dominique Davila St. Johns River State College

# RIMPAC

"I am one of the lucky ones. My parents instilled in me from an early age that education is one of the greatest influencers of my life. Moreover, as a former scholarship recipient when I was a student, I know the positive benefit and feeling of others believing in me and committing to my education and career. Now, I give back to our Foundation to carry that on, to pay it forward, as the saying goes, and invest in the future of our students and communities. To be able to assist our students in their life

journey is why I am an educator, and it is the reason that I give back."

— Dr. Summer Garrett St. Johns River State College



"I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your generosity. One of my fears and roadblocks has been gaining immense debt in my studies. However, with this scholarship I will be able to cover so much more of my tuition and not have the stress of so much debt. I am currently studying to get my AA degree with SJR State. After I graduate, I plan to transfer to University of North Florida for a Bachelors in Psychology then off to law school! I cannot thank you enough for this opportunity."

— Arianna Torres Bob Hudson Scholarship



"I am deaf, and I graduated from the Florida School for the Deaf in St. Augustine. Your scholarship will help me pursue an Associate Degree. Thank you for your generous gift."

— Autumn Walker Irwin and Elizabeth Zekaria Scholarship



— Jan Conrad St. Johns River State College District Board of Trustees Senior Vice President Commercial Banking, Ameris Bank

The Foundation hosted Scholarship Signing Day events to assist students with completing their paperwork and celebrating our donors. After a light dinner, students were given the opportunity to share what the scholarship meant to them.

Check out what they had to say by following the QR code to their video.



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Founded in 1970 to connect the community with students, the St. Johns River State College Foundation continues to build relationships within our community.

Our mission is to support the growth and development of our students, faculty, staff and campus facilities. We fulfill this mission by actively encouraging private gifts from individuals, alumni, businesses, associations, and service organizations.

The Foundation sincerely appreciates the support of those who invest in SJR State, impacting today's students and generations of Vikings to come.

Jan Conrad



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