

Paths to the Future

UAA :: Becky Patterson Bunde



Becky Patterson Bunde, a Professor Emerita who taught English for 30 years at Anchorage Community College and UAA, created a scholarship that will help nontraditional students. The Becky Patterson and Murphy Turner Endowed Scholarship provides assistance for tuition and related educational expenses to motivated undergraduate students at UAA. Becky is also making annual gifts and directing 80% of her Individual Retirement Account to the scholarship fund.

When Becky passes, her IRA gift will transfer to her scholarship fund *outside of probate* and the interest will help with scholarship recipients' tuition, books, and associated expenses, **forever**.

"Money doesn't mean anything by itself," Becky says, "but if you can do something like this, it means a lot. Think of how lucky I am. I got to help people in my career and now it will continue."

Are you inspired to support future generations of UA students?

By including UA in your estate plans, you can help make it possible for generations of Alaskans to succeed. Many of our donors are finding creative and flexible gift strategies that can provide income, reduce taxes, memorialize loved ones and invest in UA students all at the same time. The UA Foundation would be honored to discuss options for planned gifts with you, your family, and your advisors.

2014 REPORT TO DONORS



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Thank you for giving to the University of Alaska (UA) through the UA Foundation. You make exploration possible and you help University of Alaska students to find their paths. Along the way, great things happen – lifelong friends are made, faculty and staff provide guidance and keep students on track, and lives are enriched through the entire educational experience. Students become alumni and, grateful for the support they received, they give back to help those on the path behind them.

Private support matters at the University of Alaska. In partnership with UA's 16 campuses across the state, the UA Foundation works to increase the private philanthropic support that fosters excellence and paves the way for students, faculty, researchers, and staff to go farther and faster.

Lace up your boots, grab your walking stick and join us on a journey to discover the impact of your philanthropy. We invite you to visit www.alaska.edu/foundation/report to learn more about the donors and students featured in the 2014 annual report, and to view complete financial statements.



Thank you!

Susan and Carla

Map: Provisions: Destination: to be determined

We determine the paths of our lives with a multitude of big and small choices we make along the way. Sometimes navigating those possibilities seems monumental, as though our decisions will absolutely determine the person we become. *Which school should I attend? What field should I study? Which path to the future is mine?*

As donors to the University of Alaska Foundation, you make the routes possible. You allow individuals to explore multiple paths, to discover those which speak uniquely to them, and to map the course to their future. Your generosity provides for the experience. It intersects, connects, and improves the lives of all university students, faculty, staff, and the surrounding community. Thank you.

The stories in this year's annual report celebrate those who have discovered a worthy destination, a natural calling, a true home, and for all three, have developed deep gratitude.

Read more about each of them at: www.alaska.edu/foundation/report.

UAS :: Marie Olson



PHOTO: Melissa Griffiths, Juneau Empire

UAS Chancellor John Pugh and Marie Olson

Marie Olson's experiences as a young girl in Southeast Alaska have molded her vision of a richly diverse cultural experience at the University of Alaska Southeast in Juneau. She has supported UAS in many ways, including through the Native and Rural Student Center. She has also been the driving force behind the formation of the Native and Rural Student Center Scholarship. Once fully endowed, the fund will provide tuition and other financial assistance to students at UAS.

THE ROUTES WE CHOOSE ENRICH OUR LIVES AND THOSE OF PEOPLE WE MEET ALONG THE WAY

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UAF :: James Pruitt '73

Jim first came to Alaska in the summer of 1969 to work at a salmon cannery. He quickly fell in love with the state, returning the following year to enroll at UAF. In 2013 Jim remarked, "I decided I wanted to commit to a more substantial project and created the Green Island Scholarship to help support students."

and Cassidy Brewer '18

The tradition of giving continued when Cassidy Brewer, a first-year business major, received the Green Island Scholarship and then chose to support UAF by working as a student caller for the phonathon program.



PHOTO: UAF



PHOTO: Todd Paris, UAF

UAF :: Leonard and Marjorie Wright '58

Leonard and Marjorie Wright '58 came to Alaska in 1953 and spent more than two and a half decades here. After Marjorie completed her teaching degree at UAF she went on to teach in North Pole while Leonard established a construction business. Both have since passed away – Leonard in 2007 and Marjorie in 2013 – but their connection to UAF lives on. Their estate provided more than \$2.5 million to UAF to support student scholarships. This philanthropic gift is among the largest made by individuals to UAF.



PHOTO: UAF



PHOTO: Theodore Kincaid, UAA

UAA :: Rahab Kiruku '06

Rahab Kiruku works as a registered nurse at Providence Alaska Medical Center, helping patients recover from day surgery. In December 2002 she traveled from Kiambu, Kenya to attend UAA. Though Rahab earned her nursing science degree eight years ago, she still has all the letters UAA sent to congratulate her on the scholarships she earned.

"I still think about it, how people are so generous... Without scholarships, I would have had to go back home."

UAA :: Erik Sheldon

Four years ago, Alaska Native Erik Sheldon suffered the worst upheaval a 14-year-old could experience: his mother died. He struggled with substance abuse until an aunt took Erik in and enrolled him in the Galena Interior Learning Academy, from which he graduated as valedictorian of his class. Erik recently participated in UAA's Della Keats Health Sciences Summer Program.

"I've learned that I really am meant for the medical field, that this is the place for me."



PHOTO: Theodore Kincaid, UAA

UAF :: Kinross Fort Knox and Sumitomo Pogo Mine



PHOTO: UAF

Kinross Fort Knox presents a gift to the UAF Mining Engineering program.

In 1917, the Mining and Engineering Program was established at UAF. This program has a long history of training mining engineers not only for Alaska, but for companies throughout the world - companies like Kinross Fort Knox and Sumitomo Pogo. Through partnerships with UAF, both companies have dedicated time and resources to the education of Alaska's future engineers, mechanics, and innovators. Both have gone above and beyond to combine their efforts and impact, encouraging and supporting each other's philanthropic efforts in Fairbanks.

UAA :: Micah Chelimo '14

Born in Kenya and now 8,290 miles from his birthplace, Micah Chelimo, a former student athlete at UAA, has successfully concluded his quest for a UAA bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He has recently been hired by UAA as a facilities engineer.

"I like telling people UAA's my home. Because of my scholarship, I had no problem while I was a student — my books got paid for, tuition, even board. I finished school without any debt."



PHOTO: Phillip Hall, UAA

PHOTO: Dolphin Quest Bermuda



UAS :: Kristin Brown '13

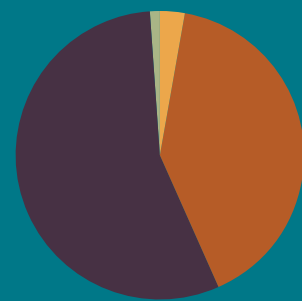
Originally from St. Louis, Missouri, Kristin came to Juneau to acquire her Bachelor's in Marine Biology at the University of Alaska Southeast, and to pursue her Master's in Fisheries and Ocean Science, spending time doing dolphin research around the world as part of her thesis work.

"Scholarships truly motivated me to work hard in my classes and for my degree because someone gave me the chance to do so, a chance that I might not have otherwise had."

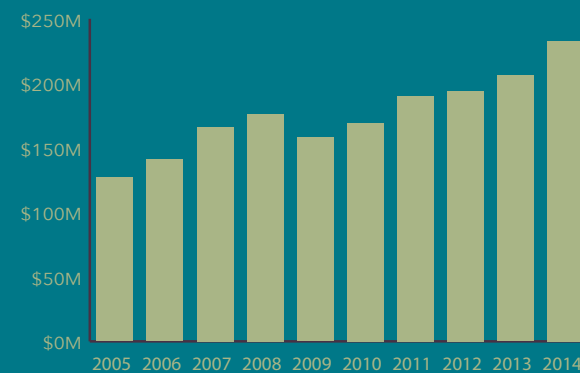
Financial Summary

Gifts to UA Foundation by Purpose

- Awards and Faculty Support 3%
- Scholarships, Internships, and Fellowships 40%
- Academic Programs and Student Support 55%
- Unrestricted Purpose 1%



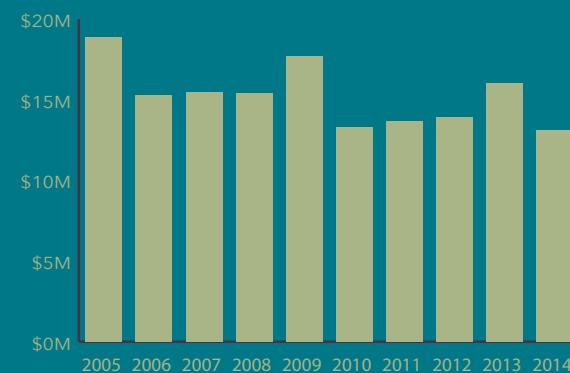
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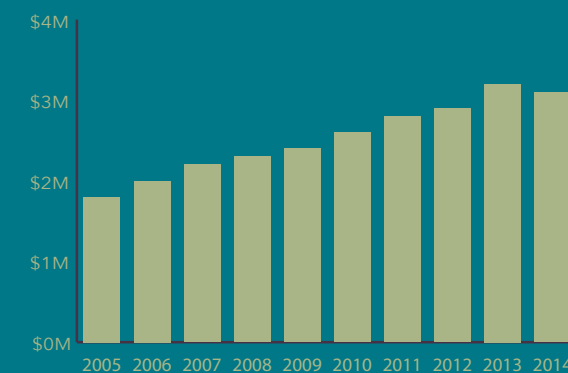
UA Foundation Pooled Endowment Fund Returns



UA Foundation Distributions for the Benefit of UA



UA Foundation Distributions for Student Aid



The UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FOUNDATION provides a variety of services to support UA and its campuses in raising private funds. The foundation celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2014. The foundation manages the Consolidated Endowment Fund totaling \$319.4 million, which includes both \$173.2 in foundation endowment assets from gifts by donors over the years, as well as the university's land grant endowment of \$146.2 million.

During the 2014 fiscal year, the foundation received \$5.1 million in new endow-

ment gifts and created 23 new endowments bringing the total to 770 individual endowments. The foundation also manages 738 non-endowed funds that are restricted by donors to a specific purpose. The foundation has a fund to support almost any area of interest at the university.

To learn more about how the foundation distributes funds to benefit the university and to view full financial data including audited financial statements, visit:

www.alaska.edu/foundation/report.

