



Caption: (L-R, front row) Broward College Foundation member Jim Lansing, Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation Trustee Erik Edward Joh, Broward College Foundation President J. David Armstrong Jr., Broward College Foundation Executive Director Nancy R. Botero; (L-R, back row) BC Board of Trustee Vice Chair Sean Guerin, Chair Paul Tanner, and BC Board of Trustee Levi G. Williams. BC Board of Trustee Georgette Sosa Douglas.

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BROWARD COLLEGE FOUNDATION HONORS GERTRUDE E. SKELLY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

For more than a decade, the Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation has opened doors for students at Broward College. In a show of appreciation, the Broward College Foundation recently took the opportunity to honor the Skelly Charitable Foundation for its commitment to meeting student's critical needs and transforming college dreams into realities.

At the June 23 Broward College Board of Trustees meeting, the Broward College Foundation recognized the Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation for its consistent support of students. Over the past 12 years, the Skelly Foundation has funded a wide range of initiatives at Broward College including the first generation healthcare scholarships, health sciences emergency scholarships and nursing scholarships to a tune of more than \$300,000.

"We take this opportunity to honor the generosity of a philanthropic giant in our community," said Nancy R. Botero, Executive Director of the Broward College Foundation. "To date, its commitment has enabled over 1,482 students to succeed with their studies and become valuable members of the health sciences professions. With this year's award of \$40,000, Skelly has given a total of \$360,000 to Broward College."

The Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation was established in 1991. The Foundation's primary purpose is to provide medical care and educational opportunities for those who cannot otherwise afford them.

The Skelly Foundation is proud of its support and affiliation with promoting student success in the field of health sciences at Broward College," said Erik Edward Joh, Trustee of the Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation. "Skelly established the Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation in 1991. She believed that in establishing a foundation, she was continuing in the tradition of her parents who had strong interests in education, medicine, health care and providing for those in need."

About the Broward College Foundation

The Broward College Foundation awards more than \$2 million in scholarships annually to Broward College students and supports academic programs and awards for outstanding faculty. While the State of Florida funds approximately 62 percent of Broward College's operating budget, the balance must be raised from individuals, corporations and institutions. The mission of the Broward College Foundation is to support the college by providing advocacy, community awareness and financial support to the college, its students, faculty and staff. Led by its Board of Directors, the foundation raises funds, conducts programs and practices stewardship that increases the effectiveness of the college in meeting community, student, faculty and staff needs. For more information or to make a contribution to the foundation, please call 954-201-7414.