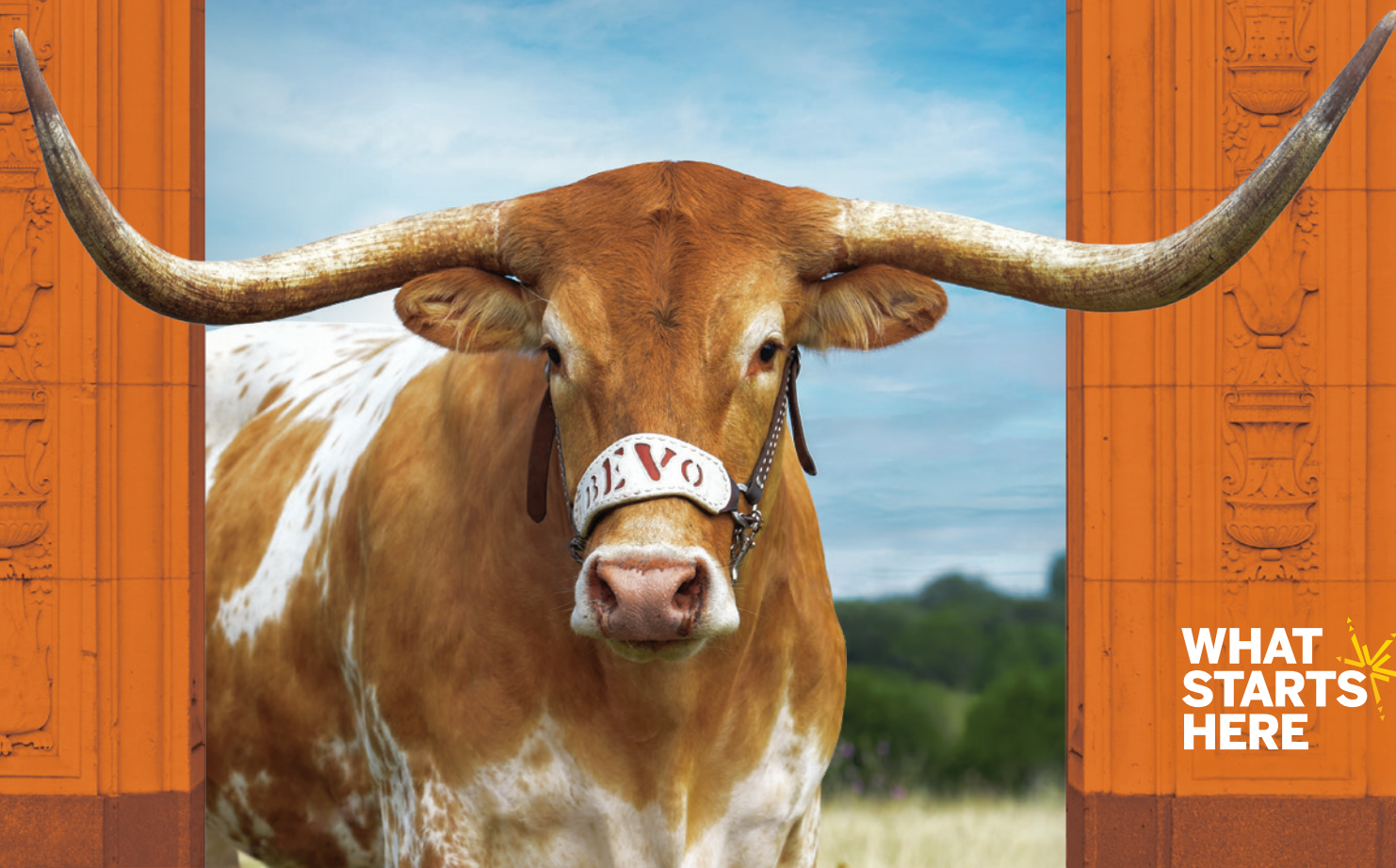




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No Small Promises

As our state's flagship university, The University of Texas at Austin has big ambitions. We are on course to become the world's highest-impact public research university. This is possible because generous supporters like you believe in UT's power and promise to change the world.

Together we will unleash knowledge, opportunity and innovation from the heart of Texas. We will attract exceptional people to the Forty Acres, amplify the unmatched potential of our place in Austin and Texas, and change the world through transformative pursuits.

In March we publicly launched the What Starts Here campaign — among the largest philanthropic campaigns in public higher education — to support this bold vision. Within this report, you will see the impact your gifts are already making in our students' lives, across our campus and beyond.

Your gifts change the world.

Thank you and Hook 'em,

Scott Rabenold  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR DEVELOPMENT  
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# A Road Well Traveled

## LUCIOUS MCDANIEL IV

BBA HONORS '22  
MCCOMBS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Just days before moving to New York City to start his career with General Atlantic, a growth equity firm, Lucious McDaniel IV returned from a month-long vacation spent with friends in Singapore, Thailand and Korea — not his first trip to Asia. The 22-year-old had visited China and Hong Kong during a study-abroad program, an opportunity made possible through the George Kozmetsky Forty Acres Scholarship. The richness of his educational experience is just one of the reasons Lucious is grateful to be a Longhorn.

“My scholarship opened the door to so many opportunities that would have been inaccessible to me,” he says. “Traveling has given me so much more appreciation for what the world has to offer and has broadened my perspective.”

Busy agendas and mind-expanding opportunities aren't foreign to Lucious, who participated in a wide array of activities during his time at UT. He volunteered to help students from under-resourced high schools in Baltimore start and grow their own businesses. He was part of a group of students and alumni that ran a venture fund. He also successfully launched his own company, Phly (“philanthropy on the fly”), a software company that used microdonations to empower people to support their favorite causes. Lucious is a huge advocate for taking part in everything UT has to offer.

“UT is what I would call ‘the full package,’” says Lucious. “There’s a club or organization

for everyone and if there’s not, there’s a faculty sponsor willing to help you start it. Joining organizations helped me figure out what I am passionate about.”

Even the brightest of futures present some uncertainties, but Lucious knows one thing for sure — as soon as he’s on his feet, he’ll open doors for future Longhorns.

“Donors don’t only support students, they also inspire them,” says Lucious. “Knowing what my scholarship enabled me to do is motivation for me to give back.”

“Donors don’t only support students, they also inspire them.”



# Ready To Succeed

## GRACE FARLEY

BSW/B.A. PLAN II HONORS PROGRAM '22  
STEVE HICKS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

When Grace Farley asked her high school guidance counselor in Keller, Texas, how to fund her college education, she was told, “If you can’t afford to go to college, maybe you aren’t ready.”

Grace wasn’t ready for her ambitions to meet a dead end. She applied to UT and received financial assistance through the Robert O. Walters Scholarship and the Steve Hicks Development and Non-Profit Leadership Endowment.

She became determined to be someone others could turn to for support to succeed in college. A first-generation college student, Grace got involved in numerous organizations: the UT Senate of College Councils, the UT Counseling and Mental Health Center Student Advisory Committee, and the Plan II Honors First-Gen Task Force. She also led the inaugural First-Generation Student Living Learning Community, giving workshops on life skills, career exploration and more. For her efforts, Grace earned a Texas Exes President’s Leadership Award.

“I’m so grateful for the financial support I received,” says Grace. “Pursuing internships and doing an honors thesis and getting involved in leadership organizations takes so much time. Without financial support, I wouldn’t be where I am today.”

Where Grace is today is the University of Chicago, getting her master’s degree in social work at the Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy and Practice.

Going beyond undergraduate studies wasn’t part of her initial plan, but encouraging professors and eye-opening opportunities helped her see grad school as the best path forward.

When she completes her master’s program, Grace has her next step already planned.

“I want to come back to Texas and bring all that I’ve learned from my graduate studies back home,” she says.

“Without financial support, I wouldn’t be where I am today.”





Scholarships do more than help Longhorns discover and pursue their passions. They attract the highest-potential prospective students, creating an alumni network that elevates UT Austin's impact beyond the Forty Acres. Your generosity to students today helps them change the world tomorrow.

# TEXAS CHALLENGE

Hundreds of donors have accepted the Texas Challenge to invest in UT's high-potential students from low- and middle-income families. Their gifts have created undergraduate scholarship endowments with a total impact of more than \$87 million. Through the Texas Challenge, donors' gifts are matched 1:1.

## An Investment in Talent

By meeting the Texas Challenge, the Woody and Gayle Hunt Family Foundation has given a boost to Borderplex students. The foundation's gift to The University of Texas at Austin will provide undergraduate scholarships to low- and middle-income students from El Paso and the surrounding region. The scholarship endowment is designed to support numerous high-achieving UT Austin students each year.

"We are proud to participate in the Texas Challenge to help young people from the region pursue their college dreams at UT Austin without the financial worries that can come with higher education," says Woody, an alumnus of the Business Honors Program and a volunteer leader of UT's What Starts Here fundraising campaign.

"By supporting our students, we are both providing them with the opportunity to continue their education at UT Austin and investing in the talent that will keep El Paso and Texas globally competitive and innovative through the coming decades."

◀ Gayle and Woody Hunt



## Longstanding Support for Longhorns

The University Co-operative Society has been an iconic institution since 1896. Longhorns love The Co-op, and The Co-op loves them back!



By stepping up to the Texas Challenge, The University Co-operative Society is once again fulfilling its 126-year mission to make a positive impact on students and help Longhorns change the world. This summer, The Co-op made a \$10 million commitment to support UT students with the greatest need. The gift will grow the previously established UT Co-op Undergraduate Scholarship — which was matched dollar for dollar by the Texas Challenge — and provide \$500 stipends for books and supplies to more than 1,500 students annually.

"We're excited to support Longhorn students with scholarships to help cover the cost of course materials and set them up for success," says Co-op president and CEO Cheryl Phifer. "The Co-op was founded to provide UT students with course materials, so this was a natural way we could continue to grow our positive impact on them." Through The Co-op's commitment, the cycle of Longhorns investing in Longhorns continues.

THROUGH THE TEXAS CHALLENGE,  
DONORS LIKE YOU HAVE GIVEN

— more than —

**\$87 million**

IN SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT.



## Students Share GRATITUDE

Support from Texas Challenge donors is changing lives.



"Receiving a scholarship has had a positive impact on my life, and I am grateful each day for the support. It has relieved my stress and helped me take advantage of endless opportunities on campus."

**PRISCILLA VILLALOBOS, El Paso**  
PAUL AND TISH SZUREK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP



"My UT education is the path to everything I want to achieve in the future. Thank you for ensuring finances are not a limiting factor in helping me achieve my dreams."

**KENNEDY LOVE, Saginaw**  
JACK AND JANICE HOPPER SCHOLARSHIP



"Thanks to my scholarship, I feel that I'm not alone on the journey to accomplishing my goals and completing my degree. I am so grateful that I can focus on my studies instead of financial concerns."

**TIFFANY SUN, Austin**  
KAREN AND PATRICK WALKER SCHOLARSHIP



# CREATING ACCESS *and* OPPORTUNITIES

## A Catalyst for Connections

Through his recent gift, Austin business leader Martin Taylor will open doors and promote academic excellence for students through The University of Texas at Austin's Heman Sweatt Center for Black Males. Martin's gift — the largest gift ever made to the center — will help expand the Sweatt Center's signature programs, focused on widening career paths and increasing development opportunities for Black male students on campus. The faculty-led initiative gives students access to mentorship with industry leaders on Wall Street, international project-based learning and much more.



**MARTIN TAYLOR** (far left) aims to help more students like **EMMANUEL WILLIAMS** (second from right), who benefited from the Sweatt Center throughout his time at UT. Emmanuel studied business and textile design and recently began a job with Levi Strauss in San Francisco. His studies in Beijing — a place from which he pulls design inspiration — helped open doors. **"It was just the opportunity to see how big the world is,"** he said. **"It was just the opportunity that led to a job."**



## Tools for Success

UT for Me – Powered by Dell Scholars, a partnership between the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation and UT Austin, ensures all Longhorns have access to the tools and resources needed for a successful college career. The program provides Pell-eligible UT students personalized, multi-faceted support throughout their time on campus, helping them stay on track and graduate ready to change the world.

UT for Me's first graduate was Noe Salinas-Rincon '21, a 19-year-old sociology major from Hidalgo. Like all students in the program, Noe received a laptop that is his to keep, annual textbook credits at The University Co-op, and access to a team of staff members dedicated to connecting him with university resources and programs to fit his individual needs. He also received financial support as a Dell Scholar.

**7,000 students**  
*have already benefited from*  
**UT FOR ME – POWERED BY**  
**DELL SCHOLARS.**



As part of the program, students receive laptops, textbook credits and personalized support.



"I don't think I would be here right now if it wasn't for UT for Me and Dell Scholars," says Noe, who attended Border Patrol Academy in New Mexico following his graduation. "I owe everything to this scholarship, finishing my degree here at UT. 100%."

## A Community for Creatives

In the coming decade, more than 24,000 women will receive support to pursue their business aspirations, courtesy of Kendra Scott, founder and executive chairwoman of Kendra Scott, LLC. She has committed corporate and personal philanthropic investments to expand entrepreneurship offerings on the Forty Acres.

The \$13.25 million endowment will expand and provide permanent support for the Kendra Scott Women's Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute, a cross-disciplinary program of the College of Fine Arts, McCombs School of Business, College of Natural Sciences and School of Undergraduate Studies' LaunchPad. Kendra's gift empowers,



equips and builds a community for women and creatives who are traditionally underrepresented in entrepreneurial roles.

The investment also seeded the Women in Entrepreneurship Specialization, a minor offered in partnership with the McCombs School of Business that launched this fall.





# TRANSFORMING QUALITY OF CARE:

## The Impact of Research

**Tackling society's biggest challenges takes time, commitment and support. Thanks to your generous gifts, UT's researchers and clinicians have the resources they need to develop innovative treatment and care that builds healthier communities.**

### Curing Cancer by Breaking Silos

Nearly 40% of Americans will develop cancer in the course of their lives. Clinical advances have decreased mortality rates, but new breakthroughs often require years of trial and error in the lab.

An innovative partnership between The University of Texas at Austin's Machine Learning Lab, Oden Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences, and Dell Medical School — made possible by a \$10 million gift from Swapna and Dheeraj Pandey, M.S. '98 — is accelerating the pace of discovery to save more lives.

UT researchers aim to transform cancer care by integrating computational oncology and machine learning. Algorithmic, mathematical and computational approaches will help model and predict cancer and develop new tools so health care providers can make the best diagnoses and decisions.

"The biggest promise of computational oncology is personalized medicine — the ability for us to answer questions that save precious lives," Dheeraj says. "The field is breaking silos between the physics, biology and computing researchers who are fighting indefatigably against cancer."

Dheeraj, a graduate of UT's Department of Computer Science, was inspired to make this gift because of a fellowship he received in 1997.

"I came to Texas with two suitcases and \$900 in my pocket," he says. "UTCS gave me everything — a passion for distributed systems, a lab in which I bumped into my wife online, an early career start and an everlasting love for Austin."

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◀ Dheeraj and Swapna Pandey's investment in computational oncology supports personalized cancer care.

### Operating at a New Level

The Experiential Learning Fund at Dell Medical School's Orthopaedic Surgery Residency program provides residents with critical experiences that broaden their skills as physicians and community leaders. The fund helps residents pursue opportunities like caring for underserved people abroad and presenting at professional conferences.

The fund is such a valuable part of the residents' training that every orthopaedic surgeon on Dell Med's faculty has pledged financial support toward it.

Orthopaedic surgery residents build their skills during a service-learning opportunity in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.



### Novel Approach in Mental Health Therapy

Dell Medical School has launched the Center for Psychedelic Research and Therapy — the first of its kind in Texas. The center will conduct research on the effectiveness of psychedelics to treat mental health conditions, using the \$416,134 it raised during UT's recent 40 Hours for the Forty Acres giving day.

The groundbreaking center will focus on military veterans living with PTSD and adults experiencing prolonged grief disorder, depression or childhood trauma, because about 30% of people with these and other severe psychiatric disorders don't respond to conventional treatments. The Mission Within and the Heroic Hearts Project, programs for veterans interested in pursuing psychedelic treatment options, will be among the center's first partners.

### Dell Donors Boost Bipolar Treatment

Since the inception of Dell Medical School, Paige and Mark Blake have been among its most ardent supporters. The Blakes recently provided financial support to the Bipolar Disorder Center, where over the past two years more than 350 patients have benefited from a multidisciplinary approach to their care.

To provide for future psychiatric treatment in Texas, the Blakes created the Paige and Mark Blake Endowed Professorship in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health. Their generous gift will advance Dell Med's work to improve mental health education, research and care, helping patients get — and stay — mentally healthy.

Mark and Paige Blake are members of the Founders Circle, which honors some of Dell Med's most critical supporters — people who invested \$50,000 or more in the school's early years. ▶



**"Mark and I are passionate about advancing the treatment of mental illness in our community. Mental health is a growing problem with inadequate funding. We hope our gift inspires others in the community to support the innovative work in psychiatry at Dell Medical School."**

— Paige Blake





# The Coolest Classroom

## EMILY SLAUGHTER

B.S. '22, SCHOOL OF NURSING

**Studying abroad is often the highlight of a student's college years.**

Spending a semester in a far-away locale offers the chance for self-discovery and personal growth. Jeanne L. and Michael L. Klein Forty Acres Scholarship recipient Emily Slaughter stayed in the USA for her off-campus learning, but it was still a completely foreign experience.

Emily traveled 4,100 miles to Alaska for a wilderness medicine program offered by the National Outdoor Leadership School. "The point of the trip was to really push myself to get a new experience and take myself out of my comfort zone," she says.

During the 10-day course held in Talkeetna (population 1,055), the petite Fort Worth native learned how to assess vital signs and provide emergency care in the outdoors, and how to plan and execute emergency evacuations on a mountain covered in "a million feet of snow."

Perhaps Emily won't be called upon to use these abilities in her new career at Ascension Seton Medical Center Austin, but her experience will undoubtedly benefit her patients. The wilderness medicine course proved to Emily she has the courage and ability to make life-saving decisions quickly under stressful circumstances — like when a moose is charging at a group of cross-country skiers! — critical skills for a cardiovascular nurse.

"Without a scholarship, I wouldn't have been able to do this trip, so I'm very thankful for people who donate to UT," says Emily. "Their gifts empower students to do cool things that mean the world to us."

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**JEANNE and MICKEY KLEIN** have established endowed scholarships to support nursing and education students — like Emily — so they can graduate with limited debt. Being involved with the programs they support is important to the Kleins — which is why they also generously share their time and talent on committees across UT and serve as volunteer leaders for the What Starts Here fundraising campaign.



# Catching Up with President Jay Hartzell

An update on the university's aspirations, accomplishments and impact



**This past year you announced UT's goal to become the world's highest-impact public research university. Tell us how that was identified as our top aspiration.**

As thousands of stakeholders came together to imagine the future of UT Austin, maximizing our global impact emerged as our objective, in part because we are uniquely positioned to achieve it. Few universities have teams as broad and as talented and a location as fortuitous as we do. Our outstanding and diverse community of students, faculty, staff and alumni, as well as our place in the booming city of Austin in the thriving state of Texas, give us the ability to generate research and impact at scale, particularly in tackling some of society's biggest challenges.

**What are some early examples of impact?**

Addressing health and wellness may be the most important issue of our time, and it is integral to UT's mission. On page 8, you'll read about one of our alumni, Dheeraj Pandey, and his wife Swapna, who recently made an incredible gift to advance computational oncology and apply data science to the future of cancer care. Their generosity will enable us to accelerate breakthroughs in patient care and ultimately save lives.

We also have great alumni engagement on our Commercialization Advisory Board, alongside some very talented Austinites who care deeply about the work we are doing to promote entrepreneurship. By supporting student ventures, taking equity positions in startups, and leveraging our real estate and collaborating with industry, we can share discoveries emerging from our phenomenal community to benefit society while using our resources to strengthen the Texas economy.

**What do you know about UT in your third year as president that you didn't know in your first year?**

On a daily basis I am struck by the depth, breadth and reach of this university. When I (somehow) landed the interim position, my predecessor spent a lot of time with me discussing athletics, health care and real estate. All three of those have proved to be interesting and important. In the years since, it has been a tremendous privilege to discover even more pockets of virtuosity and excellence across campus and throughout Longhorn Nation. For example, a film by one of our Visual Arts Center alumni, Luiz Roque, was selected for this year's La Biennale di Venezia. This prestigious exhibition began in 1895 and is one of the most important contemporary art events in the world.

**UT publicly launched the What Starts Here campaign this year. What makes this campaign — and the people who support it — so important?**

Philanthropy is the fuel for everything we want to accomplish, and this campaign is our most ambitious to date — and one of the most ambitious ever in higher education. Beyond scholarships and student support, which are critical to this campaign, What Starts Here will allow us to hire better faculty and staff, pursue transformative research and endeavors that contribute to the betterment of society, and so many other worthwhile things. But it is important for us to remember that every dot connects back to serving UT students. They are at the heart of every aspect of our mission, and I am proud of the way Longhorns are coming together to ensure that a UT education is both life-changing and world-changing.

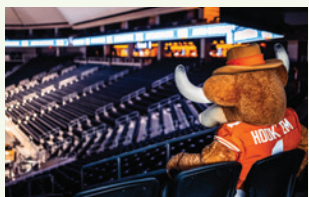


# Creating Spaces to INSPIRE

The University of Texas at Austin is a vibrant, accessible destination for the arts, music, innovation, research and scholarship. State-of-the-art buildings and enhancements to existing facilities keep the campus inspiring and fulfill the university's mission to make UT a place where both futures and memories are made.



MOODY CENTER



KARL AND NELDA BUCKMAN



## New and Notable

Thanks to a transformative commitment of \$25 million from alumnus and former EOG Resources Inc. president Gary L. Thomas, the **Gary L. Thomas Energy Engineering Building** is now open to support and educate tomorrow's engineers. The 184,000-square-foot multidisciplinary building is a hub for energy-related education and research, with classrooms, labs and project spaces to connect UT students, faculty, researchers and industry partners. By focusing on people and research, the Thomas EEB offers the space and resources for Texas engineers to come together and solve complex energy problems.

In honor of a \$130 million grant to UT from the Moody Foundation, The University of Texas at Austin's new basketball arena and events center was named **Moody Center**. The gift is among the largest ever made to any university for a new arena. The Moody Center celebrated its grand opening in April with concerts by George Strait and Willie Nelson, who celebrated his 89th birthday on opening night in the 15,000-seat arena.

Texas Athletics plays a special role in the UT student and alumni experience. Thanks to generous donor support, part of Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial stadium has been transformed into state-of-the-art premium seating for Longhorn Football fans. The **South End Zone** offers an enhanced game day experience for fans and further supports services, recruitment and retention for student-athletes.

Central Texas philanthropists Karl and Nelda Buckman have pledged a \$2 million gift to The University of Texas at Austin's School of Design and Creative Technologies — the school's largest gift to date. The funds will help build **The Buckman Center**, an immersive media lab scheduled to open in fall 2023.



GARY L. THOMAS ENERGY ENGINEERING BUILDING



SOUTH END ZONE

UT BEAUTIFICATION COUNCIL



## Flower Power

The Forty Acres creates lasting impressions for students, faculty, staff and visitors. And Eliza Stedman, B.A. '80, intends to keep it that way.

In 2018, Eliza noticed several places on campus that could use sprucing up. She shares, "I reached out to UT and asked, 'Do you mind if we get a couple friends together and put some flowers in the pots on San Jacinto?'" Thus began the UT Beautification Council.

Eliza and her friend Sissy Roberts, B.S. '87, connected with fellow alumnae for financial support. Soon more than 100 women had given more than \$100,000 to help the council tackle small projects across campus.

Now energized, the group aimed to make further changes to campus, targeting the University Avenue entrance as their next project with design assistance from Houston-based landscape architect Johnny Steele. Through annual dues, a HornRaiser crowdfunding project that brought in more than half a million dollars, and some key investments to establish an endowment, the council had the capital for the design, construction and permanent maintenance of new campus gardens.

The Stedman Family Gardens at University Avenue, completed this fall, are now adorned with hundreds of flowers, making the entranceway a great place to experience Longhorn spirit and pride.

"It lifts the campus with beautiful color, and it lifts people up," Eliza says. "We hope this brings people back to campus and brings joy to the people who see it every day."



**You make it possible** for UT to attract and support exceptional people, amplify the unmatched potential of our place, and change the world through transformative pursuits. Here's a look at just a few outstanding moments in the 2021-22 academic year.



**Jay Hartzell is inaugurated as UT's 30th president** and announces the university's new aspiration: to become the world's highest-impact public research university.



**UT is ranked No. 1 among U.S. universities in research financed by the National Science Foundation.** The university's NSF research expenditures topped \$144 million in fiscal year 2020.

**#1** U.S. News & World Report names UT the **No. 1 public university in Texas** and No. 43 globally in its 2022 rankings.

SEPTEMBER 2021



McCombs School of Business alumni **Jeff Helton and Bruce Garrison** establish the 10th-largest estate gift ever to UT, which includes endowed professorships and scholarships supporting finance, accounting, the Longhorn Band and swimming and diving.



**Louise Weinberg**, the William B. Bates Chair Emeritus in the School of Law, uses her estate plan to establish multiple chairs and lectureships, including the Steven Weinberg Memorial Lecture, named in honor of her late husband, the UT physicist and Nobel laureate.

UT is named the **top Texas school for veterans** by U.S. News & World Report and honored with a gold medal designation from the Texas Veterans Commission.



Historian and associate professor **Monica Muñoz Martinez** is awarded a MacArthur "genius grant" in recognition of her work to recover untold histories of the U.S.-Mexico border.

**Generous alumni and donors continue to provide record-breaking support for UT students.**



Austin business leader **Martin Taylor** (second from left) invests \$750,000 in the Heman Sweatt Center for Black Males, which widens career paths and increases development opportunities for Black male students at UT.



**Love, Tito's**, the philanthropic arm of Tito's Handmade Vodka, gives \$20 million to support Longhorn student-athletes with new practice facilities for football, men's and women's basketball, and rowing.

Alumni and El Pasoans **Woody and Gayle Hunt** give \$2.5 million to endow scholarships for students from the Borderplex region. Their gift is doubled to \$5 million by UT's Texas Challenge.



Houston entrepreneur and civic leader **Tony Chase** (center) endows the John S. Chase Family Endowed Scholarship to increase the representation of Black students in the School of Architecture and honor his late father, the first Black graduate of the school and first Black licensed architect in Texas.



The UT Tower shines burnt orange for McCombs School of Business senior **Jaskaran Singh**, winner of the Jeopardy! National College Championship.

Entrepreneurial icon **Kendra Scott** commits \$13.25 million to permanently endow UT's Kendra Scott Women's Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute and launch the Women in Entrepreneurship minor for the Fall 2022 semester.



UT alumna **Juliet García, Ph.D. '76**, is awarded the nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom. As president of UT Brownsville, later UT Rio Grande Valley, García was the first Mexican American woman to lead a U.S. college or university.

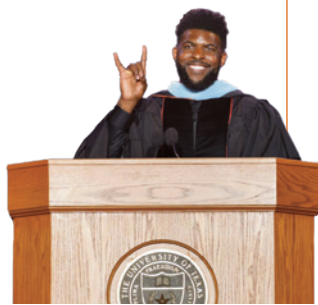


Texas Athletics adds the rapidly growing Olympic sport of beach volleyball as a women's collegiate sport, growing **Texas Volleyball** beyond its nationally premier indoor program.

UT and Dell Technologies establish the university's first dedicated esports space for students — the Alienware Longhorn Esports Lounge. **Dell Technologies'** investment also includes support for a larger Alienware Longhorn Esports Arena to open in 2023.



AUGUST 2022



UT's 139th commencement celebrates more than 12,000 members of the Class of 2022. **Emmanuel Acho**, the Longhorn and NFL linebacker turned No. 1 New York Times bestselling author and Emmy-winning analyst, delivers the keynote address.



UT joins 19 of the nation's top research universities to form the **Alliance of Hispanic Serving Research Universities**. The alliance aims to increase representation of Hispanic and Latino doctoral students and faculty by 2030.



President Hartzell announces a new initiative to reimagine the university's East Mall landscape as a celebration of the history and impact of the **Precursors**, UT's first generation of Black students.

The Forty Acres is turned burnt orange through **Make It Your Texas**, a campus-wide campaign to build community and inspire collective greatness among Longhorn students, faculty and staff.



Bert Kruger Smith Centennial Professor in Social Work **Allan Cole** is appointed dean of the Steve Hicks School of Social Work.



Interim Dean **David Vanden Bout** is appointed dean of the College of Natural Sciences.



Associate Dean and James A. Baker III Chair in the Rule of Law and World Affairs **Bobby Chesney** begins his tenure as dean of the School of Law.



**Lydia Contreras**, the Jim and Barbara Miller Endowed Faculty Fellow in Chemical Engineering, is named vice provost for faculty diversity, equity and inclusivity.



**Richard J. Reddick**, a professor and associate dean in the College of Education, is appointed the senior vice provost for curriculum and enrollment and dean of the School of Undergraduate Studies.



George T. and Gladys H. Abell Endowed Chair in Engineering and Interim Dean **Roger Bonneau** is named dean of the Cockrell School of Engineering.

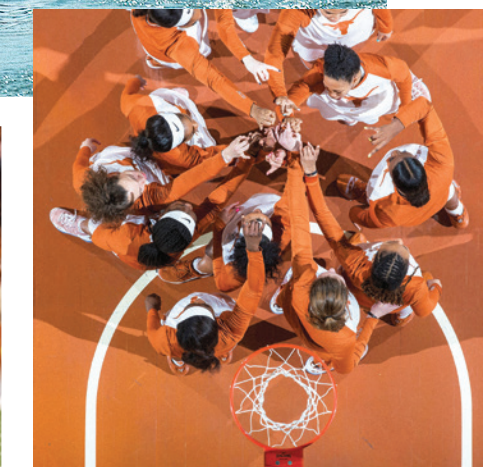




| TRANSFORMATIVE GIFTS |

# CHEERS TO THE HOME TEAM

*A Spirited Gift Boosts UT's Student-Athletes*



“This is such a life-changing commitment and investment in the success of our athletics programs and all of our student-athletes.”

– Chris Del Conte  
Vice President & Athletics Director



Hundreds of Longhorn student-athletes will benefit from the homegrown support of Love, Tito's, the philanthropic heart of Austin-based Tito's Handmade Vodka. The organization has committed a \$20 million investment to assist with the construction of new practice facilities for rowing, football and men's and women's basketball. Love, Tito's investment provides UT student-athletes with the world-class training environments they need to achieve at the highest level and keeps Texas Athletics competitive in the recruitment of elite students, coaches and staff.

“This is such a life-changing commitment and investment in the success of our athletics programs and all of our student-athletes,” says UT Vice President and Athletics Director Chris Del Conte.

**Bert “Tito” Beveridge**, founder and master distiller of Tito's Handmade Vodka, received degrees in geology and geophysics from UT. “We hope this gift helps Longhorns excel both on and off the field throughout their lives,” he says, “and that they share these passions and talents with their communities.”

Tito's numerous investments in UT include funding for high-end equipment to further enable structural biology research at the College of Natural Sciences, as well as support for development of predictive models and strategies to control the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses. They have also backed other UT programs, including childhood literacy and scholarships for civic engagement studies in the Plan II Honors Program.

“Tito and his team at Love, Tito's have been incredible supporters of the university,” says President Jay Hartzell. “Whether they are helping our population health faculty improve outcomes for the community, investing in opportunities to serve and protect our community from COVID, or advancing student opportunities across the Forty Acres, they have helped fuel our vision to be the country's highest-impact public university.”

On March 4-5, 2022, thousands of students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends gathered around campus for a weekend of events celebrating the launch of UT's **What Starts Here** fundraising campaign. The \$6 billion effort is the most ambitious in the history of UT and the state of Texas.



# CHANGE AGENT

Powering  
Innovation to  
Shape the Future



▲ Professor Ginny Catania studies climate and glaciers with submersible robots.

In 2021, the foundation awarded a grant to William T. Stokes Centennial Professor Ginny Catania in the Jackson School of Geosciences for her pioneering work using submersible robots to study glaciers. “The generous funding from the Keck Foundation has enabled us to obtain the first-ever observations of the underwater ice sheet margin in Greenland,” says Dr. Catania. “These high-resolution images are helping us build models to study climate-induced past and present ice sheet change — and predict future changes — more accurately than ever before.”

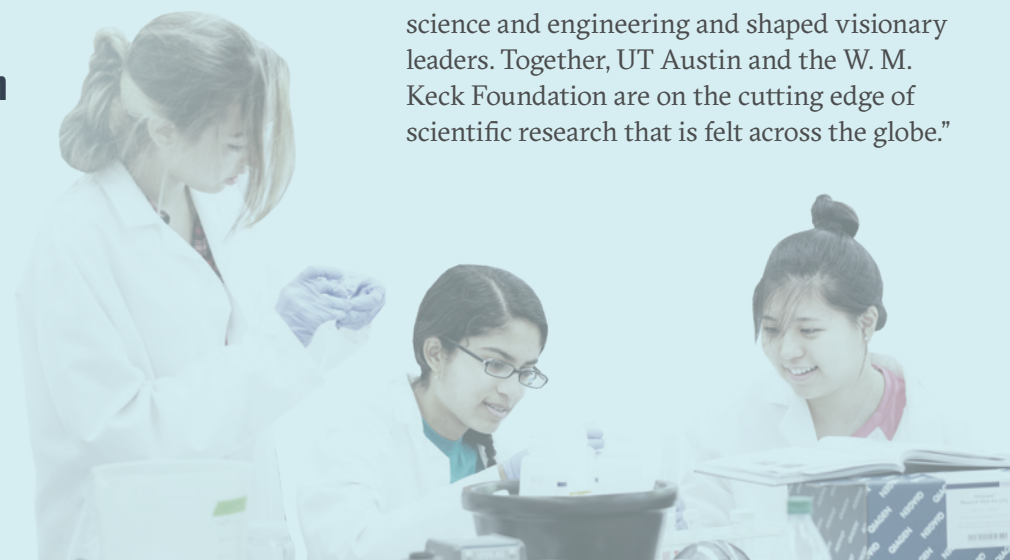
The foundation's impact is felt at every level of the university. “The W. M. Keck Foundation has made a profound and enduring impact on The University of Texas at Austin,” says President Jay Hartzell. “For more than 30 years, our collaboration has transformed the fields of science and engineering and shaped visionary leaders. Together, UT Austin and the W. M. Keck Foundation are on the cutting edge of scientific research that is felt across the globe.”

In the 21st century, challenges and triumphs are increasingly global affairs. The W. M. Keck Foundation acts as an agent of change by funding cutting-edge research at The University of Texas at Austin, powering innovation around energy, computing, climate and more that keeps up with — and stays ahead of — the needs of our changing world.

Based in Los Angeles, the W. M. Keck Foundation was established in 1954 by the late W. M. Keck, founder of the Superior Oil Company, and has powered groundbreaking efforts at UT over the past decade through nationally competitive \$1 million grant awards. The foundation has helped fund research initiatives such as studying materials that will boost the power of solar energy collection by 20%, designing new ways to accurately store and retrieve society's vast quantities of data at a lower cost, and developing lasers that can help us understand the origins of the universe.

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# TECHNOLOGY *and* TRANSFORMATION

## UT's powerful partnership with Microsoft

Developing technology solutions to support and transform a changing world is nothing new to Microsoft — and neither is its connection with The University of Texas at Austin. For the past 45 years, the partnership has been going strong and, like any good friendship, it continues to evolve.

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Microsoft has provided the UT community solutions to facilitate remote learning and work, gifted funding and Azure cloud technology to sustainability research teams, and invested in the university's accessibility leaders, empowering them to reimagine classroom technology. But Microsoft goes beyond addressing only current problems. The visionary company thinks ahead, seeking solutions for future concerns.

Across rural Texas, the scarcity of mathematics and computer science teachers leaves students at a disadvantage. Lacking courses they need to enroll in post-secondary education, students can find their career options limited. Microsoft Education responded by making significant investments that equipped UT's K-12 education leaders to prepare more math and computer science teachers.

“Mathematics teachers are among the most in-demand teaching positions and often the most difficult to fill,” says Uri Treisman, University Distinguished Professor of Mathematics and executive director of UT's Charles A. Dana Center. “We know there is a direct correlation between teacher preparation and student performance. As the flagship university in the state of Texas, it was our duty to respond to this growing need.”

A generous grant from Microsoft provided resources to do just that. The funds have supported UTeach, WeTeach\_CS and the Dana Center as they collaborate on new approaches to prepare and support math and computer science teachers, including UTeach ACCESS, a co-enrollment pathway between the College of Natural Sciences and Austin Community College. It's a triumphant first step to use community college partnerships to expand the highest-caliber STEM teaching preparation program beyond UT's student population.

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**URI TREISMAN**  
University Distinguished  
Professor of Mathematics



A grant from Microsoft is helping UT address the math and computer science teaching shortage in Texas.





# To Boldly Go

## MIHIR KAMBLE

B.S. '22, COCKRELL SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

**W**hat starts here changes the world ... and sometimes the solar system.

Mihir Kamble, an aspiring aerospace engineer and autonomous flight software developer, is traveling far — from the Forty Acres to the stars. “I want to be involved in reaching the next destination, whether that’s the moon or Mars,” he says. Thanks to the T. W. Whaley, Jr. Friends of Alec Endowed Scholarship, he’s starting to make that dream a reality.

After graduating in May, Mihir joined the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory to create the software that will help a new spacecraft, the Europa Clipper, navigate a mission to one of Jupiter’s moons. “This internship is the direct result of my work at UT’s Texas Spacecraft Laboratory,” Mihir says. “The student organizations and project groups I joined took up to nine hours a week outside of class, a commitment that would have been nearly impossible without the financial support provided by my scholarship.”

Mihir is now pursuing a master’s degree at Stanford University, where he will continue his cutting-edge work designing navigation systems for autonomous aircrafts. His deep interest in this field has helped him see radical applications for this technology across a range of sectors, from military and humanitarian purposes to agricultural and delivery uses. “This scholarship has definitely helped to support my graduate degree and career endeavors,”

he says. “With the money I was able to save because of financial support, I can enter this program feeling confident I won’t accrue a massive amount of student debt.

“The support a scholarship provides for students like me is critical when it comes to nurturing our interests and allowing us to find our passions,” says Mihir. “This goes for all of us who have received support — we’re so grateful. My college experience would not have been as fulfilling and enriching if I hadn’t been awarded this scholarship.”

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# Impact — A Family Tradition

## BRIAN CHAVEZ

BSA '22, COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES

**W**hen is a Forty Acres Scholarship more than a Forty Acres Scholarship? When students take their impact worldwide.

Brian Chavez, recipient of the Stamps Forty Acres Scholarship supported by Lana Jones and Will O'Hara, used his enrichment stipend — a supplement to the scholarship's tuition support — to travel and provide clinical care in the Dominican Republic and Tijuana. “I’m dedicated to providing compassionate and culturally specific care as a medical provider,” he says. “Since I want to return home and practice medicine in largely Hispanic South Texas, it’s important for me to practice my medical Spanish and work with diverse Latinx populations. Without my scholarship, I definitely wouldn’t have traveled. Those opportunities required funds to support my goals and confirm my dreams.”

Two important figures in Brian’s journey to UT are Dr. Nolan Perez, a UT alumnus from Brian’s hometown, and his sister, Janelle. “Ever since Janelle started shadowing Dr. Perez — one of the only people from my hometown to go to UT and then become a doctor — attending UT Austin has always been my dream.” When his sister received a Forty Acres Scholarship, Brian realized financial barriers didn’t have to be a dealbreaker. “If it wasn’t for seeing

my sister receive that support, I don’t think I would have set my sights on UT. But I’m glad I did — UT and this scholarship gave me everything I needed to go into medical school and become a physician.”

At a boot camp before his first semester at UTHealth Houston’s McGovern Medical School, Brian reflected on his UT experience. “The education I received at UT fully prepared me for success. Seeing how my UT experience and network have changed my life and propelled me to where I want to be is something I’ll cherish forever.”

Brian’s message to anyone considering investing in scholarships? “They should 100% do it! There’s a ripple effect when you invest in students, because you’re also investing in everyone they will go on to help.”

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# Annual Philanthropy 2021-22

Fiscal year Sept. 1, 2021 – Aug. 31, 2022  
Data as of Sept. 12, 2022

Because of philanthropic support, The University of Texas at Austin is becoming the world's highest-impact public research university.

Our donors' vision, commitment and generosity support UT's outstanding people, amplify the unmatched potential of our place and change the world through transformative pursuits.

We are grateful to the friends and donors who share our confidence in UT's promise that what starts here changes the world.



## OVERALL GIVING to UT

What starts here starts with you. Your gifts are unleashing knowledge, opportunity and innovation from the heart of Texas.

**\$717,060,509**

GIVEN THROUGH  
**385,954 gifts**  
FROM  
**105,610 donors**

## GIVING by AREA OF IMPACT

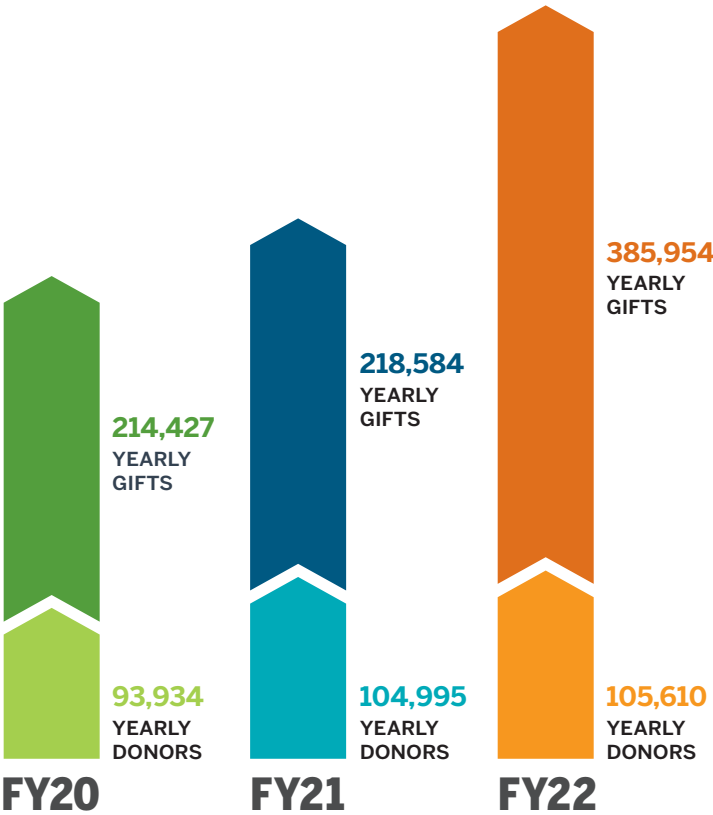
When you give to UT, you choose who and what your gift supports. Our donors' contributions reflect their values and vision for UT's future.



- 31% STUDENT & FACULTY SUPPORT \$222M
- 45% PROGRAMS \$326M
- 14% RESEARCH \$99M
- 10% BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT \$70M

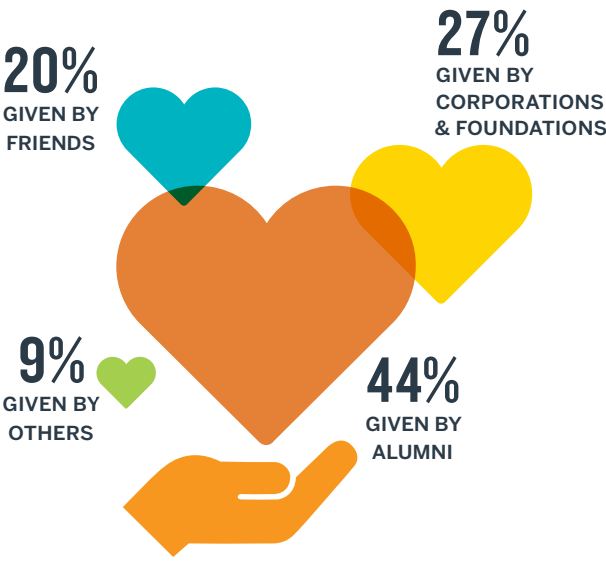
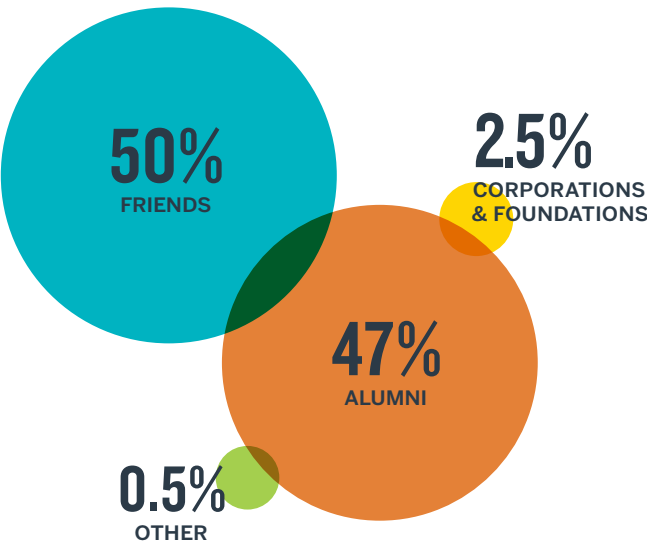
## GROWING our IMPACT

Year after year, Longhorn Nation is investing in UT's mission at historic rates.



## OUR DONORS and their giving

Hundreds of thousands of alumni, friends and partners around the world are a part of Longhorn Nation. Their support is the foundation for UT's sustained excellence and the incredible possibilities of our future.





# Campaign Overview

Fiscal year Sept. 1, 2021 – Aug. 31, 2022

## WHAT STARTS HERE

On March 4, 2022, The University of Texas at Austin announced the most ambitious fundraising effort in the history of the university and the state of Texas.

The What Starts Here campaign supports UT's ambition to become the world's highest-impact public research university by attracting exceptional people, amplifying the unmatched potential of our place, and changing the world through transformative pursuits.

### The What Starts Here campaign

has some of the most ambitious goals ever set by a public university — to invest in talented students and faculty, enhance our opportunity to build a better Texas, and lead innovation in education and research at an unprecedented scale.

**\$6 billion**  
OVERALL

\$3.7 BILLION  
AS OF FY22

**\$1 billion**  
FOR STUDENTS

\$851 MILLION  
AS OF FY22

The leadership, or silent, phase of the campaign ran from Sept. 1, 2016 – March 4, 2022.

OVER **\$3.4 billion** WAS GIVEN BY  
MORE THAN **241,000 donors**  
NEARLY **146,000** OF WHOM WERE  
MAKING THEIR **first gift to UT**

**JOIN  
US**  
and change  
the world.

Learn more about the campaign  
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# Endowment Overview

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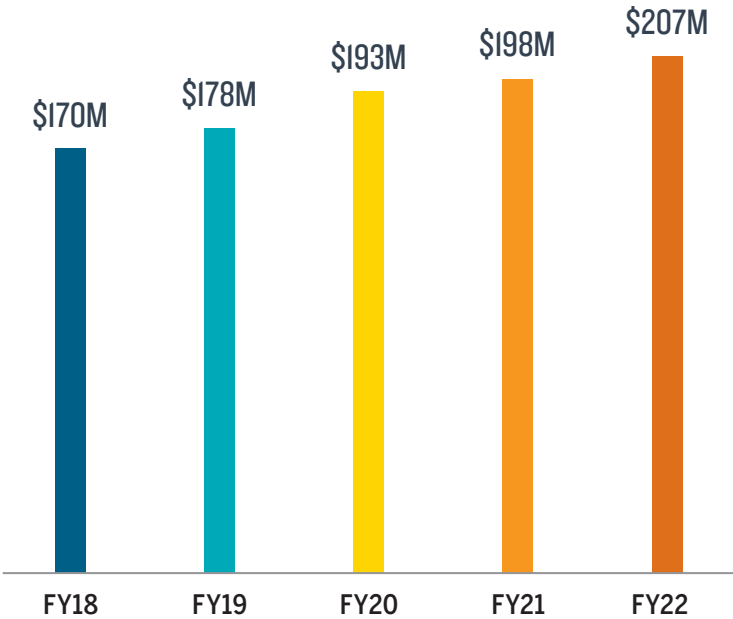
The University of Texas at Austin’s endowment is a dedicated, permanent source of support for UT and its mission, now and for generations to come. The aggregate endowment is made up of more than 7,500 individual endowments established by donors over the last century to support students, faculty and programs across the university.

UT’s endowment is managed by The University of Texas/ Texas A&M Investment Management Company (UTIMCO), a not-for-profit organization and the first investment corporation funded by a public university system. Its diversified portfolio includes U.S. and global equities, fixed income investments, natural resource, real estate, private equity, venture capital and hedge funds.



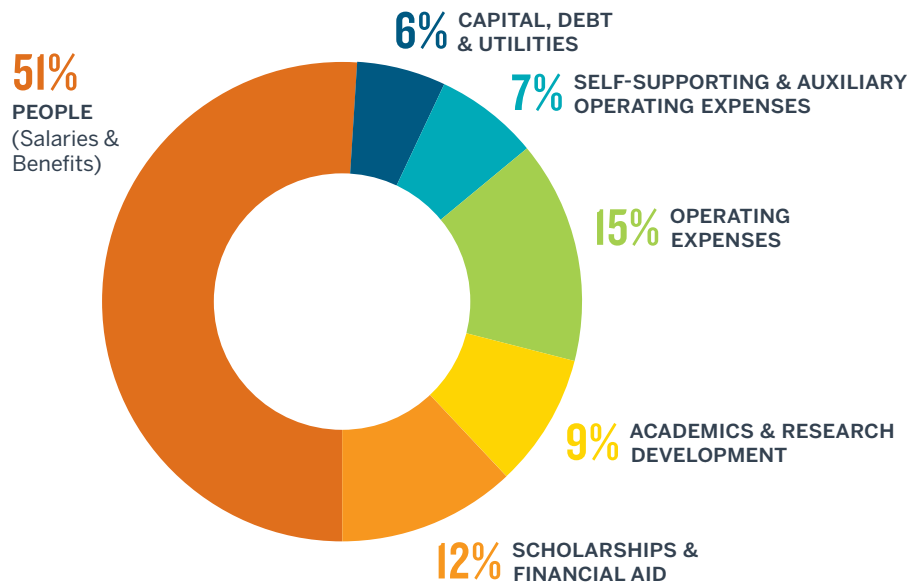
## ENDOWMENT ANNUAL SUPPORT to the UNIVERSITY

Each year, a portion of each UT endowment is paid out to support the people and programs they benefit. The endowment’s principal, and any appreciation in excess of the annual distribution, is retained so the endowment can continue to grow and serve as UT’s financial foundation into the future.



## BUDGET

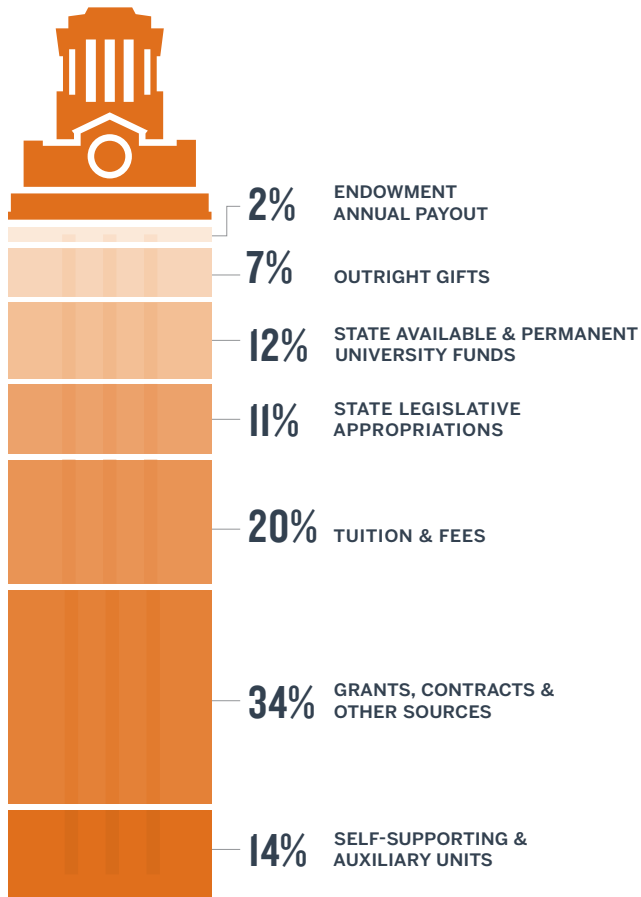
People are UT’s most valuable asset and most important investment. Compensation represents over half of the university’s total operating expense.



## OPERATING REVENUE

UT’s diversified revenue portfolio relies on three main sources of revenue: state support, education or tuition, and philanthropy. Philanthropic investments are the primary source of opportunities to recruit new talent, pursue creative innovation and drive a vibrant future for Texas.

Our annual, one-time and endowment gifts, as well as market returns from the state’s Available University Fund, are the areas with growth potential, while other revenue sources have limited growth potential (tuition and fees), are relatively flat (legislative appropriations) or are net neutral (grants, contracts and self-funded units).

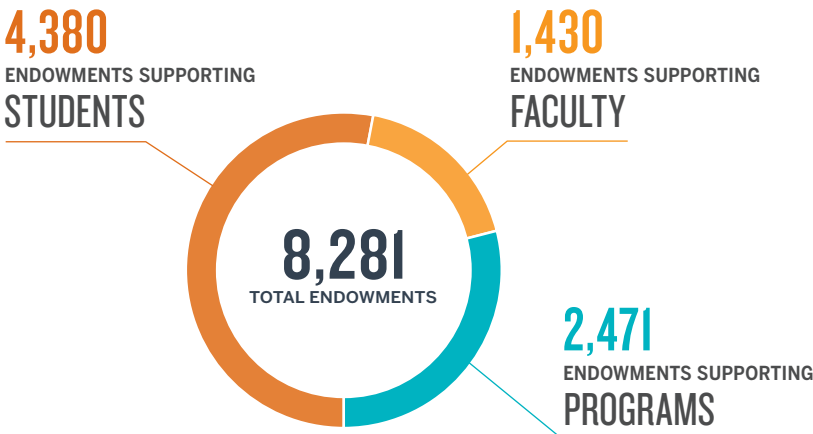




# Investing in the Future

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Our donors' endowments have made a UT education possible for tens of thousands of students. They've supported the recruitment and research of some of the world's leading minds. And they build the foundation for UT's groundbreaking discoveries and advancements in technology, the sciences, the humanities, and other scholarly and creative pursuits.



**8,281**  
TOTAL ENDOWMENTS  
WITH A MARKET VALUE OF  
**\$6.1 billion**

**355**  
NEW ENDOWMENTS  
ESTABLISHED THIS YEAR

**9,955 students** across UT  
are supported by endowments.

Endowments support the work of  
**1,182 faculty members**  
across every college and school at UT.

## OPENING DOORS to the FORTY ACRES

Scholarship endowments provide a UT education for generations of Longhorn leaders — keeping top Texas talent in Texas.

### EL PASO

A \$5 million Texas Challenge endowment created by alumni Woody and Gayle Hunt is building the pipeline of top talent from the Borderplex to the Forty Acres.



Entrepreneur and civic leader Tony Chase established the John S. Chase Family Endowed Scholarship to increase the representation of Black students in architecture.



### HOUSTON

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