

RED, BLACK & BOUNDLESS

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF VALENCIA

As part of Valencia College's yearlong 60th anniversary celebration, the Valencia College Foundation will host the Red, Black & Boundless Gala on October 3, 2026. The Gala brings together partners, alumni, and community champions to celebrate Valencia's impact and invest in the students who will carry that legacy forward.

To date, we have secured **\$346,500 in sponsorship commitments** and welcomed **10 new sponsors supporting the Gala for the first time**. This growth reflects the expanding community of champions who believe in Valencia's mission and the transformational power of education.

All net proceeds from this year's Gala will support Valencia's First-Generation Scholarship Matching Fund.

GALA DATE
OCTOBER 3
2026



\$346,500

SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENTS

10

NEW GALA SPONSORS

60

YEARS

FIRST GENERATION SCHOLARSHIP MATCHING FUND

Florida's First-Generation Matching Grant Program provides financial aid based on need to undergraduate students at participating public colleges and universities whose parents have not earned a bachelor's degree.

For every **\$1 in eligible private contributions**, the State of Florida provides **\$2 in matching funds**, up to Valencia's available allocation - tripling the impact of each private dollar.

The Foundation launched a comprehensive appeal to raise eligible private support and maximize the state match available to Valencia. By engaging donors, alumni, employees, corporate partners and community supporters, we can significantly expand scholarship resources for first generation students.

TRIPLE THE IMPACT

\$1

PRIVATE

+

\$2

STATE MATCH

=

\$3

FOR STUDENTS

COMPREHENSIVE APPEAL

By securing **\$158,964 in eligible contributions**, Valencia College can unlock the maximum available state match of **\$317,927**.