

# A MESSAGE FROM BRENDA TATE



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Brenda Tate, CEO

Dear ,

November is a month for gratitude. Earn to Learn FL™ students, like Janet featured in our Student Spotlight below, are grateful for your support to help them graduate on time, career ready and with little to no student debt. To date, community support from donors like you have leveraged a 2016 \$100,000 federal grant to over \$400,000 dedicated to demonstrate Earn to Learn FL™ as a new and innovative form of financial aid.

We match students' savings of \$500 with \$4,000 in grants, which is renewable each year until graduation. This simple formula combines student savings with financial aid, mentoring, and

financial literacy.

That's why this month's newsletter celebrates your work and the impact you're making in Southwest Florida. Donors who are investing their time, talent and funds to build a Southwest Florida community and workforce that's ready for our quickly changing times. We are full of gratitude for your leadership and support.

Your leadership and generosity continue to be my inspiration.

A graphic of a lit candle in a glass holder, casting a warm glow, positioned to the left of the "Student Spotlight" text.

# Student Spotlight



*"I was inspired to pursue my degree because of my mother, who has always encouraged me to be a kind and helping person to everyone in my life. I want to be able to change my community for the better."*

*Janet del Valle*

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## Donor Spotlight

**Dr. Alise Bartley is Supporting Earn to Learn FL™ Students & Affordable Mental Health Access for Southwest Florida Residents**



**David and Alise Bartley**

Florida ranks 44th in the nation when it comes to offering services that provide mental health access.

The demand for affordable mental health services in our area continues to grow, and there aren't enough places in the community to meet the need. FGCU plans to address this need with a new mental health facility and counseling center which will open next year. One of our Earn to Learn FL™ supporters; FGCU Associate Dean Dr. Alise Bartley, was the person who laid the groundwork for the center...

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# Men of IMPACT™ Spotlight



## Join Ken and Kim to Make an Impact on Southwest Florida Students

Southwest Florida Community Members and Men of IMPACT Honorary Chairs **Kenneth R. Johnson** and **Kimberly Leach Johnson** are rallying behind our community to support our upcoming Men of IMPACT event. The mission of the Southwest Florida Men of IMPACT™ Annual Dinner is to recognize men who have distinguished themselves by elevating the status of women throughout their career and community service. Event proceeds will benefit our hard-working Earn to Learn FL™ students.

[Click Here to Join Ken and Kim to Make an Impact on Southwest Florida Students](#)

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