Dear Javelina Supporters,

Every student-athlete enters Texas A&M University-Kingsville with goals of earning a degree, winning Lone Star Conference and National Championships.

The Vision of the Javelina Department of Athletics is to provide the necessary resources for Javelina student-athletes to learn, lead, compete, and win championships. However, rising scholarship costs require private giving to ensure growth and success in achieving this vision. We invite all alumni, friends, and parents to become members of the Javelina Club.

The mission of the Javelina Club is to support student-athlete scholarships, and each contribution represents an investment in our student-athletes. As a Javelina Club member you have a personal impact, and your contribution makes it possible for highly committed student-athletes to pursue their academic and athletic dreams as Javelinas. A gift of any size will make you a part of our team – Jalisco!

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¹ Tailgate locations are only available to individual donors (businesses are not eligible for this benefit). Please inquire about tailgate site for Golden Javelina Members; Porky donors receive 20 x 20 space, Gold level donors receive 10 x 15.

² Good for Champions Club or Big House T-Room. Must be at least 21 for admission to Champions Club.

³ Big House T-Room Dependent Passes upon request. Must be 18 or under.

⁴ E-mail required by mailing.

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**From the Students...**

"The thought of being the first person in my entire family to go to college was my motivation...Thanks to my scholarship...I was able to complete my Bachelor’s Degree in Biomedical Sciences...I am currently finishing up my Master’s in Occupational Therapy...the generous contributions of donors...transformed the unimaginable into a reality for individuals like me...I look forward to doing my part in giving back to these athletic scholarships in appreciation for all I received.”

Erica Alvarado
Women’s Track & Field 2006-2010

"The scholarship I received from the Javelina Club gave me the opportunity to attend college, which my parents could not have otherwise funded, and also allowed me to play football and refine all the lessons learned from team sports - teamwork, discipline, determination and ambition - that are still helping me in my career today. It also afforded me the opportunity to get my degree, make connections with people that got me into my career, and bond with teammates and coaches that I consider my brothers and mentors. Most importantly, it helped me connect with my wife of 22 years, a Javelina cheerleader. I am forever grateful for these opportunities that this scholarship presented to me, and I donate every year to the Javelina Club because I would like every student-athlete to have the same opportunities that I had – it’s my way of paying it forward.”

Ed La Touf
Football 1985-1989

As a high school athlete my dreams consisted of earning a full athletic scholarship, and competing on a collegiate level. Texas A&M-Kingsville helped me fulfill my dreams in multiple ways, by providing me with the means to become a successful athlete, and an excellent student. My parents were unable to financially afford my college tuition raising five children, so acquiring a full track and field scholarship allowed me to further my education without applying for student loans. As a doctoral student, I am realizing how much debt I avoided. My scholarship allowed me to focus on competing while earning nine All-American titles, two NCCA championships, induction into the Hall of Fame, and an opportunity to compete at a professional level. While my only dream was to earn a full scholarship, Texas A&M-Kingsville helped me to exceed all of my ambitions.

LaShawndra Ratcliff
Women’s Track & Field 2001-2005
Hall of Fame 2010

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Thank You! Your Javelina Club Membership contribution is tax deductible according to appropriate IRS laws, rules and regulations. Please contact your financial advisor for current tax implications and giving options. All gifts are gratefully acknowledged by the Javelina Club and Texas A&M-Kingsville.
Your Scholarship Contributions are Impactful

Each Javelina Club membership level includes wonderful game day benefits. More importantly, 60 – 70% of the net contribution for each membership level directly supports the Javelina Club Scholarship Fund for all 12 intercollegiate NCAA II programs.

Did You Know...

- Former Javelinas include professional athletes in Football, Men’s Basketball, Baseball, Men’s Track & Field, and Women’s Track and Field;
- Javelina Athletics is home to 47 Conference Championship teams, 9 Regional Team Champions, 7 National Championship teams, and 27 Individual National Champions;
- Javelina Alumni include 7 College Football Hall of Fame members, 4 NCAA Division II Football Hall of Fame inductees, 3 members of the Texas Sports Hall of Fame, 2 Texas Black Sports Hall of Famers, and 3 NFL Pro Football Hall of Fame members;
- Javelina Athletics received the NCAA Division II Community Engagement Award of Excellence (Lone Star Conference) in 2010, 2011 and 2012;
- 45% of the Javelina student-athletes have a 3.0 or higher grade point average (GPA);
- Enrollment at Texas A&M-Kingsville stands at 7,236 for fall 2012, marking a 27% increase in enrollment over the past four years.
- Texas A&M University-Kingsville earned a place among the top 100 universities in the nation, according to Washington Monthly’s September 2012 College Guide. The university ranks 56th and is one of only five Texas universities included in the publication’s top 100.

Investing in Javelina Athletics

CASH GIFTS
Most gifts to The Javelina Club are in the form of cash. Your contributions can be made in a lump sum, in installment payments or conveniently charged to Visa or MasterCard. Cash gifts qualify for the maximum allowable income tax deductions under the law.

MATCHING GIFTS
Your company or employer may have a matching gift program. By sending your check, pledge card and matching gift form to The Javelina Club, you will double or even triple your contribution gift impact and increase your Membership Level and Benefits. Contact your human resources or personnel office for more information.

GIFTS-IN-KIND
Another popular form of contribution, gift-in-kind, occurs when the donor provides meaningful goods or services of value to the Department of Athletics. The donor receives credit toward membership based on fair market value of the trade-out involved (i.e. printing, office equipment and supplies, courtesy automobiles, gasoline, hotel lodging, food, etc.).

PLANNED GIFTS
Donors can qualify for special levels of recognition and impact by designating Javelina Athletics as a beneficiary in their wills or through other vehicles such as charitable remainder living trusts, charitable gift annuities, deferred gift annuities or insurance policies.

GIFTS OF APPRECIATED ASSETS
In many instances, these types of gifts offer the greatest tax advantage. By donating securities or real estate that appreciates in value, you may realize tax benefits by reducing capital gains and/or income taxes.

ENDOWMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS
Endowed athletics funds are held in perpetuity, with earned interest providing scholarships and awards according to the donor’s wishes. You can either create an endowment or contribute to an existing endowed scholarship. Giving methods should be planned carefully and in consultation with your own financial advisors. To learn more about planned gifts, gifts of appreciated assets or endowment of scholarships please visit www.legacy.vg/tamuk/giving

If you are interested in finding out more about gifts to Javelina Athletics, or if you have any questions, please contact:

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Or go online directly to become a Javelina Club Member now: www.javelinaclub.com

Institutional Support and Athletic Fees represent 53% of the annual athletic scholarship support.

Javelina student-athletes graduate at a higher percentage than the general student body and rely on your support to achieve this success.

Annual Giving Program