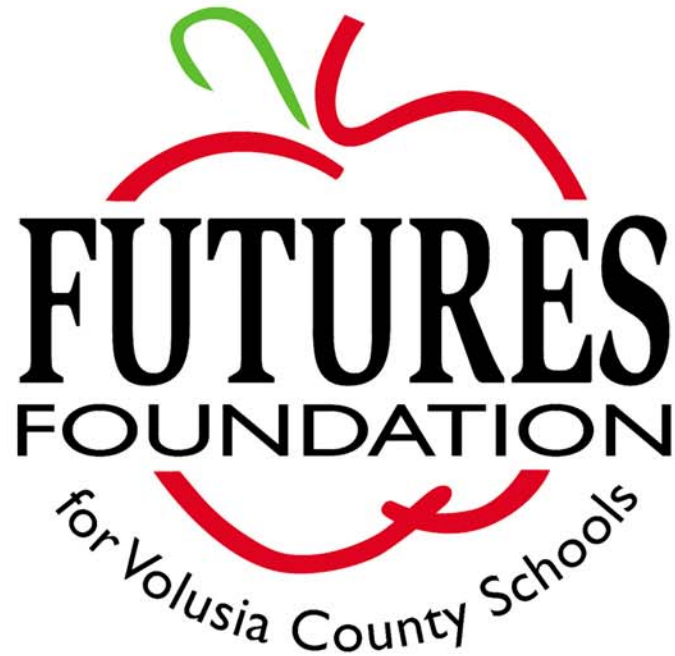


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FUTURES FACTS

In 1985, FUTURES Foundation for Volusia County public schools was established to increase business/community involvement in public schools and to provide programs and activities beyond the financial capabilities of the school district. It is support that is needed now more than ever before in Volusia County. Here are some helpful facts to help you communicate the importance of your organization's support of FUTURES.

- ✓ **FUTURES is celebrating its 25th Anniversary**, marking a major milestone as Volusia County's Foundation for public schools.
- ✓ **FUTURES has funded more than 2,098 classroom projects for Volusia teachers, totaling \$1,066,347**, since its inception. With FUTURES' support, teachers obtain funding to carry out innovative programs that enhance learning for students of all ages and abilities.
- ✓ **FUTURES funding directly supports the kind of instruction and programs that the school district otherwise couldn't provide** – leadership programs for advanced students, classroom supplies, educational materials, dropout prevention programs to keep students on track to graduation, student and staff recognition programs, tutoring programs and innovative classroom experiences.
- ✓ Nearly a dozen schools receive funding each year for **tutoring programs to help low-performing students totaling \$80,000**.
- ✓ Each year, juniors from every public high school in Volusia get the opportunity to attend leadership training seminars called **Tomorrow's Leaders**, challenging their problem solving skills and developing volunteerism.
- ✓ FUTURES hosts an annual reception and awards program honoring outstanding teachers and recognizing the **Volusia County Teacher of the Year**.
- ✓ **More than 80 students each year receive incentives and motivation to stay on track and in school**. Students are rewarded for improving attendance, grades, behavior and citizenship in the Turn Around drop-out prevention program.
- ✓ **FUTURES oversees the progress of 165 students in our Take Stock in Children** scholarship program, which has a proven record of helping low-income children graduate from high school and college, and become productive citizens.

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MINI-GRANTS

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Over the past 24 years of community support, FUTURES has funded over 2,098 Mini-Grants for Volusia teachers, totaling \$1,066,347. Last December FUTURES awarded 98 Mini-Grants to Volusia County School teachers in amounts ranging from \$150 to \$1,500, totaling \$54,000. With your organization's contributions to FUTURES, teachers obtain funding to carry out a variety of innovative programs enhancing learning experiences for students.



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FUTURES TEACHER OF THE YEAR

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We're proud to support FUTURES in recognizing Volusia County Schools' Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to Kelly Anne Conway, Volusia County Schools' Teacher of the Year for 2010, Advanced Placement psychology and dance teacher from New Smyrna Beach High School. Mrs. Conway received her award before an audience of more than 1,000 friends of public education at the Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort in January; a celebration co-hosted by FUTURES and the Daytona Beach/Halifax Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Conway is best known as the coach of the national champion New Smyrna Beach High School Showdoll dance team. Her teams have won 15 state titles and 10 national championships. Technology-based or enhanced lessons are instrumental to her teaching. She has launched websites for her psychology course and the dance program. New Smyrna High Principal Carol Kelley states Mrs. Conway "does a powerful job of delivering her content, but students also learn a multitude of life lessons that are far more important. She models caring and kindness and acceptance of differences. She models and teaches high expectations, discipline, commitment, pride and teamwork. She teaches resilience and pride in the face of disappointment and loss, and she teaches sportsmanship and graciousness in the face of success."



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TUTORING ASSISTANCE

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We're proud to be a partner with FUTURES. This year, FUTURES delivered checks totaling more than \$80,000 to 12 different schools to ensure students get the tutoring assistance they need. The Foundation has matched funds awarded to elementary and middle schools through its Florida state matching grant program, essentially doubling the number of students the schools are able to serve with in-school or after-school tutoring programs.

For example, this is the third year that FUTURES has provided matching funds to monies raised by Osceola Elementary School. Principal Earl Johnson used the \$6,400 funding for his Kids Zone after-school tutoring program. Last year, 72 students got the extra instruction they needed from the program staffed with 8 teachers. As a result, Osceola Elementary's 2009 FCAT scores improved and behavior problems decreased.



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JANET GRAY AND "NATIVE NOTES"

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We're proud to partner with FUTURES to provide funding for innovative classroom experiences for our future leaders. Manatee Elementary School science teacher Janet Gray was awarded a \$1,000 mini-grant by FUTURES Education Foundation for her multidisciplinary educational program "Native Notes."

With the goal of preserving and protecting the environment, students in kindergarten through fifth grade researched native Florida plants and selected appropriate varieties for an outdoor learning center. Manatee students developed a small business fashioning note cards, art prints, bookmarks and bumper stickers using plants from their garden. Taking clippings from their garden, the students inked them and pressed them to create native art print items. The students' "Native Notes" items, priced at 50 cents and up, support the school's outdoor environmental learning center.

Janet Gray is among FUTURES "winningest" teachers for mini-grant projects. She has won at least one mini-grant every year since 1995. Over the past 24 years, FUTURES has funded more than 2,098 classroom projects for Volusia teachers, totaling \$1,066,347. We're excited to see what 2009 holds as FUTURES celebrates its 25th year.



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