Hello. My name is Byron Sheldrick and I am the Interim Dean of the College of Social and Applied Human Sciences.

I'm also a donor and support the Byron Sheldrick Scholarship in Law and Politics.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to provide us with ongoing challenges, once again we are celebrating our wonderful students through an online virtual awards ceremony.

I'm amazed and continue to just be so impressed and proud of everyone's resilience and fortitude as we've moved through these challenges.

Now more than ever is a time for us to come together and really celebrate student accomplishments and the spirit of philanthropy.

Annually, the College of Social and Applied Human Sciences distributes over $500,000 in student awards, recognizing the outstanding academic accomplishments and leadership of over 200 students.

Many of these awards are supported by generous donors like you, who understand the importance of investing in our future and in our students.

As donors, you are a huge part of our community—a community that cares, a community that comes together, and a community that shares common values and a commitment to improving life.

On behalf of the University and the College, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support of our students and our philanthropic mission.

Your support is so important for our students as they pursue their dreams and their ambitions and without that support we could not accomplish all that we do in our ongoing dedication to improving life.

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