NOTES ON BENEFAC TORS

FOUNDERS

Pope Alexander VI, who issued a bull giving his permission for the erection of a university in Old Aberdeen

King James IV, who granted a Charter of endowment to the University

William Elphinston, Bishop of Aberdeen, and Chancellor of Scotland, founder of the University and of King’s College, 10 February 1495

Gavin Dunbar, Bishop of Aberdeen, second founder of the University, who issued a new Charter in 1529

King James VI, who granted to the Earl Marischal the lands of the Black and Grey Friars for the endowment of Marischal College

George Keith, Earl Marischal, founder of Marischal College and University, 2 April 1593

King Charles I, benefactor of King’s College and founder of the projected Caroline University of Aberdeen, combining King’s and Marischal into a single university, in 1641

BENEFAC TORS TO THE UNIVERSITY AWARD

2015 Dr Ronald Scott Brown
2016 Ms Margaret Carlaw
2016 Professor Derek Ogston CBE
2016 Moonlight Prowl
2017 Dr James S Milne CBE DL
2017 Sir Gerald H Elliot FRSE

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The University of Aberdeen wishes to express its gratitude to the many donors, past and present, who have generously supported us. The University was founded over 500 years ago with a gift from King James IV, combined with charitable donations from the local community. Over the centuries our graduates and scholars have changed the world in the broadest selection of fields. Their legacy and inspiration lives on today in our tradition of excellence as well as in our wide-ranging museum collections, historic collections and archives.

The spirit of philanthropy which created the University still thrives today. The University of Aberdeen Development Trust continues to raise funds to contribute to the mission and vision of the University, making Aberdeen one of the world’s truly great universities. The Trust’s key priorities – patronage of our students, progress of our innovation, and preservation of our heritage – are designed specifically to support the University’s ambitions.

The University today has bold ambitions to create a 21st century learning environment with modern teaching and research facilities that advance our mission, enrich our historic campus, and support collaboration across disciplines. We are honoured to recognise and celebrate all those who have contributed to the advancement of the University in the past year through our Benefactors’ List. We remain indebted to all those who have contributed in previous campaigns. The impact of this support remains evident and endures across the University.

The Benefactors’ List is not exhaustive and many supporters choose to support the University anonymously. For any additions, amendments or comments on the Benefactors’ List, please contact the University of Aberdeen Development Trust.

Aberdeen City Council supports City of Aberdeen University Bursaries
Aberdeenshire Council supports public and schools outreach activity at the Sir Duncan Rice Library
The AEB Charitable Trust supports Alzheimer’s and diabetes research
Mr Charlie Bain and Mrs Carol Bain support dementia research
Professor Tom & Mrs Grace Baxter support Chloe’s Fund
Professor David J Benson supports Mathematics at the University
BioMar Ltd supports Zoology
Dr Gordon M Black supports general medical research at the University
Bosies Breast Cancer Charity supports breast cancer research and the Cancer Research Programme
BP Exploration – Aberdeen supports the Undergraduate Scholarships Programme
British Journal of Anaesthesia supports anaesthesia and intensive care/public health research at the University
Ms Margaret Carlaw supports the development of music at the University and a wide range of medical research projects
Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland supports a number of academic departments at the University
CDA Ltd supports scholarships in MSc Petroleum Data Management
Chevron North Sea Ltd supports Chevron Scholarships and a range of initiatives at the University
Children's Liver Disease Foundation supports medical research at the Institute of Medical Sciences
CNR International Limited supports the CNR Scholarship Programme
Mrs Margaret Cooper’s Trust supports The Margaret E S Merchant Memorial Scholarship
Cocoa Research Ltd supports Agriculture and Forestry at the University
CRANES supports cancer research
Diabetes Research & Wellness Foundation supports Medical Sciences
Ms Mary Duncan supports the Cancer Research Programme
Ede & Ravenscroft supports Principal’s Scholar Awards at the University
Friends of ANCHOR supports cancer research through its ‘Dream Big’ campaign
The Friends of the Cruickshank Botanic Garden supports the development of the Cruickshank Botanic Garden
Friends of the Library supports the Sir Duncan Rice Library and the Aberdeen Humanities Fund
Fugro Subsea Services Ltd supports the Fugro Scholarship Programme
John Gordon Charitable Trust supports the University of Aberdeen Summer School
HSBC Group supports the Sir Thomas Sutherland HSBC Scholarships at the University
Mr Alan Horn & Mrs Ruth Horn support the Horn Family Scholarships
Issachar Fund supports a project researching the challenges of ageing to contemporary bioethics
The Violet M Lessel Trust supports the University of Aberdeen Summer School
The Leverhulme Trust supports Zoology at the University
The R S Macdonald Charitable Trust supports research into conditions affecting the central nervous system and the prevention and alleviation of blindness
Mr Colin J McHale supports the McHale Scholarship
Mr Bert McIntosh & Mrs Moira McIntosh support the Cancer Research Programme and Alzheimer’s research
Mrs Elizabeth M McRobbie supports research into gastro-oesophageal cancer (GASTROCAN)
Medical Research Scotland supports research in the fields of clinical, biomedical, physical and engineering sciences at the University
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Moonlight Prowl supports women’s health and the Cancer Research Programme
Morningfield Association Aberdeen supports the School of Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition
NAFC Marine Centre supports Zoology and Plant and Soil Science at the University
NHS Grampian Endowment Fund supports medical research at the University
Nexen Petroleum UK supports the Nexen Scholarship Programme, research into gastro-oesophageal cancer (GASTROCAN) and Team Aberdeen University Racing (TAU Racing)
The Northwood Charitable Trust supports research into autism and neuroimaging
Mr Joseph C Officer supported medical students through the Remote and Rural Programme
Professor Derek Ogston CBE supports the development of music at the University and the History of Art Department
Mr Graeme L Ogston supports the Auchmeddan Scholarship
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Pixie Productions supports the Chamber Choir and the development of music at the University

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Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh supports Medicine and Therapeutics at the University

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The Royal Society supports Chemistry and Computing

The Royal Society of Edinburgh supports projects in Arts and Social Sciences and in the Physical Sciences at the University

Professor Elizabeth M Russell CBE supports the Elizabeth Russell Career Development Fellowship Fund

Saltire Energy supports the Saltire Sports for Schools Programme

Santander Universities UK supports scholarships at the University

Saving Sight in Grampian supports ophthalmology research

Dr R Scott Brown & Mrs J Scott Brown support a wide range of projects at the University including heart research and the Cancer Research Programme

Dr Graham J Siddall & Mrs Brenda J Siddall support ophthalmology research

Professor John G Simpson supports the Simpson Chair in Medical Education, the Alexander Noble Simpson Scholarship and the Wynne Bonnyman Scholarship

Mr Tom A Skinner supports students within the School of Engineering at the University

Stroke Association supports research in Applied Health Sciences at the University of Aberdeen

Dr Ian A Suttie & Mrs Dorothy Suttie support a wide range of projects

The Roland Sutton Academic Trust supports Academic Radiology at the University

Swire Charitable Trust supports the James Henry Scott Scholarship

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Jill Moir, Angie Urquhart and Rachael Hay (Think Pink) support the Cancer Research Programme

Very Rev Professor Iain R Torrance Kt TD FRSE supports the Sir Duncan Rice Library and a wide range of projects in Life Sciences and Medicine and Arts and Social Sciences

University of Aberdeen Alumnus Association supports scholarships at the University

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Mr Willie Watt supports spinal cord injury research

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Wilma, Jackie and the team support Prof S Heys' breast cancer research

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Thank you to our regular supporters

We are also incredibly grateful to our community of regular donors, whose loyal support makes such a wonderful difference to a wide range of projects. You have enabled students in financial need to attend university and make the most of their studies, through scholarships and bursaries. You have helped preserve the historic spaces and buildings on our beautiful campus. You have invested in world-leading research into women's health, dementia and cancer which would not be possible without your generosity. Thank you.

Community Fundraising

We would also like to thank our community of volunteer fundraisers and their supporters for their dedication to and enthusiasm for raising funds towards the University's medical research. Your efforts enable us not only to continue to make strides in investigations into devastating diseases, but also to raise awareness of these vital activities.

Gifts in Wills

Throughout the University's history gifts in wills have created an enduring foundation and we are delighted to recognise these significant gifts on this special day in the University calendar. All donations made to the University through a gift in a donor's will is recognised in our Reciprocation Book.

We wish to give our deepest thanks to every supporter of the University of Aberdeen.

Thank you.