

Welcome to the

First Generation in College

Scholarship Donor Appreciation Reception



A celebration to honor the generosity of
Dr. William A. Seeker!

Dr. William A. Seeker



Dr. Seeker holds a strong commitment to the education of first generation in college students since he was the first in his family to attain a degree of higher education. Although Dr. Seeker's mother only finished 8th grade and his father never completed elementary school, they were both very supportive of his pursuit of scholarly knowledge.

Dr. Seeker is now striving to lend his support to first generation in college students by:

- Establishing a \$1 million endowment specifically for first generation in college students.
- Contributing over \$30,000 to a new First Generation in College initiative from the Florida Department of Education.

First Generation in College Scholarship

Students must meet the following criteria:

- *be an individual both of whose parents did not complete a baccalaureate degree; or*
- *In the care of any individual who regularly resided with and received support from only one parent, an individual whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate degree*
- *Be a resident of the State of Florida*



Upper Keys Center Director Chris Ypsilanti with nursing student and First Generation in College Scholarship recipient, Danielle Harrison.



Karen

“This scholarship has helped me in paying for my college education. It has taken a huge weight off my and my parents’ shoulders.

We knew college was going to be expensive, but when we saw how much, it was overwhelming.

I’m just happy that the money issue didn’t put a stop in my education.”



Sharrieff

“I want to give a special thank you to Mrs. Diana for really taking me into consideration and helping me out on finding a scholarship.

I then want to say thank you to Dr. William A. Seeker on donating money to support me going to school.

I promise that I’ll make the best of this scholarship and really concentrate on my studies in order to further my career.”

Jasenia

“The FGIC scholarship has helped me out a lot.

When I first enrolled, I was kind of upset because I didn’t have the finances available at the time and going to college is something I really wanted.

I’m very thankful for the scholarship and this opportunity is something I will always remember throughout my life.”





Jose

“I have been out of high school for almost five years now and have now decided to make a change in my life.

Thanks to Dr. Seeker’s First Generation in College scholarship, I am able to feel good about something positive, further my education and become a great role model for my kids.”

Latavia

“I am very happy that Dr. Seeker was generous enough to make this scholarship. It will help assist me in all my college expenses.

This is a great idea to help students in need.

This scholarship is uplifting to me because I know that there is someone there who cares. It also gives me enthusiasm to keep going and to strive hard to succeed!”





Shanon

“This scholarship has helped me proceed in my schooling regarding my books, etc.

This scholarship has also given me the courage to not give up on college even though things at times may seem difficult.”



Lou

“The First Generation In College scholarship will be extremely helpful. It will allow me to continue to strive for my dreams.

Without this scholarship, my days of attending school would be over. I’m grateful for this scholarship and all those who have worked really hard to establish it.”

Alicia

“I was so grateful when I received a call stating I was awarded the scholarship. I was worried about how I was going to pay for books and supplies.

Receiving this scholarship has had a major influence on my life. Because of it, I have extra money to buy other things my family and I need. This scholarship relieved the sense of struggle from my mind regarding my financial situation.

With that said, I would like to thank Dr. Seeker for making this possible. Thank you.”





Bob

“As a 40 something year old starting on a second career, this is a BIG help.”

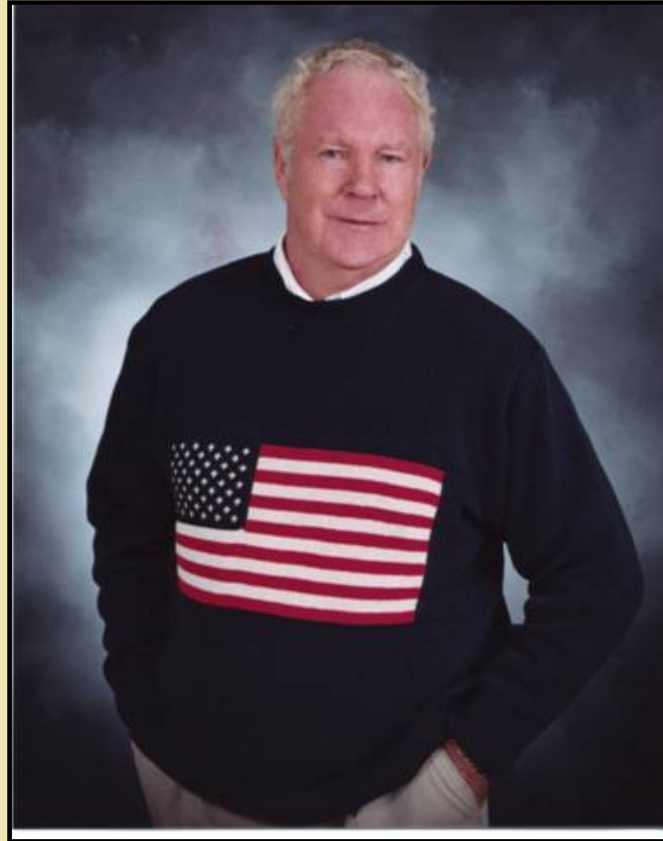
Jennifer

*“I am very grateful
to have received
this scholarship.*

*Many thanks to the
committee.”*



Thank you, Doc!



You're generosity has improved the lives and touched the hearts of many FKCC students.