Kennesaw State University’s Student Philanthropy Council aims to educate and foster awareness and appreciation of philanthropy in KSU’s student body through donor interaction, student engagement, and outreach.

### Membership Spotlight

"I gave to the Student Philanthropy Council because it is important not only to receive, but to give. KSU and the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance have been a huge blessing in my life. What better way to say thank you than to give back?"

Soakie Galindo
SPC Member

### Meet Your Council

- **Sydney Faye Williams**
  President

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- **Jewel Mason**
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- **Anna Webb**
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CASE ASAP

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) is an organization with over 300 student member institutions worldwide. CASE's Affiliated Student Advancement Programs (ASAP) specifically comprises student alumni associations, student foundations, and similar organizations at these member institutions. Its goal is to foster and enhance student involvement in all areas of advancement — from alumni relations and communications to fundraising, marketing and related areas.

This year, the annual conference was held at the Omni Hotel in downtown Atlanta. KSU's Student Philanthropy Council had the pleasure of attending the conference for the very first. We gave a presentation about our experience starting a student philanthropy group on a campus where such a group had never before existed and were well-received by many other groups who were in similar positions or otherwise interested in starting their own philanthropy programs.

At the conference, we also had the unique opportunity to learn from the numerous other student organizations present, as well as networking with these groups a sharing program ideas, lessons learned, and other best practices. We look forward to attending again at next year's conference and growing SPC in the meantime!

First Year Recap

With your support last year, we were able to raise $2,130 for the Campus Awareness, Resource & Empowerment Center (C.A.R.E.) on campus. You, as a student donor, helped to assist with food insecurity, homelessness and other emergencies that fellow KSU students face. We presented the check to the C.A.R.E. Center at our 1st Annual Gift Presentation and Cording Ceremony in April. None of this would have been possible without you!
Traditions Checklist

Recently, we were excited to announce the launch of our Traditions Checklist program! Designed as an engaging way for students to actively participate in the wide array of Kennesaw State's traditions as well as celebrate its rich history, the Traditions Checklist encourages participants to go out and make the most of their time at Kennesaw State.

Whether completing an activity as simple as Wearing Your KSU Colors with Pride or one a bit more challenging such as Becoming a Campus Leader, participation is easy -- simply take photos of yourself as you complete each Tradition Item, then upload them to studentphilanthropy@kennesaw.edu. We’ll take care of the rest!

Those who participate will have their images shared on our Facebook and social media pages, and we’ll award prizes for completion of 15, 25, and 35 Traditions. Please join us in giving back to campus by celebrating its legacy and traditions, and become a Kennesaw State Traditions Keeper!

Veterans’ Scholarship Fund

SPC seeks to raise funds to support the Kennesaw State community and its students. Each year, we choose a new program to highlight in our fundraising efforts. During our first year, we partnered with the C.A.R.E. Center and were able to bring in over $2000 for the Center, which provides clothing, food and other essentials to KSU's homeless students! That was all you - students helping students! This year, we’re excited to focus on veterans at KSU by raising money for the Veterans’ Scholarship Fund.

The Veterans Scholarship Fund provides assistance to undergraduate students who are on active duty or honorably discharged from the United States Military. The student must be pursuing their first baccalaureate degree -- full or part time, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and be a United States citizen.

KSU's Military and Veteran Services, the parent organization that oversees the Fund, is committed to supporting the mission of Student Success Services and the Division of Student Affairs through the development and implementation of outreach programs designed to provide services focused on the special needs and requirements of today's military community. Their office continues to promote community based veteran and military affiliated organizations in order to foster partnerships that will benefit student veterans both academically and professionally.

More information about the Veterans' Scholarship Fund can be found on the Military and Veteran Services KSU page located here.
SPC Membership Details & Continued Giving

Student giving starts with you! A gift of $5 makes you an instant member of SPC for the current fiscal year. This means you have access to all of our events, benefits, and involvement opportunities. We'll send you our quarterly newsletter, let you know about occasions to volunteer, tell you about our constantly-updating member benefits, and keep you informed about openings on the executive board and committee seats. You can make your gift on our website: community.kennesaw.edu/student-giving

FAQ's

- Do I have to donate each year in order to maintain my membership status and benefits?
  For every new fiscal year (beginning July 1st each year), SPC Membership for that year starts over. This means that Membership will have to be renewed by making a new donation of at least $5. However, if a one-time donation of $20 was made the previous year, that will allow you to maintain SPC Membership for two years, as would a $30 donation for three years, and so on.

- I'd prefer to donate to another specific organization or group on campus. Do I have to donate to SPC's sponsored organization in order to become a member?
  Not at all! While we focus on fundraising for one group each year, we certainly understand the desire to support other groups on campus as well, and we want to encourage all types of student giving whether it goes to one organization or another.

Upcoming Events

Midterm Munch
- Date/Time TBD - Sturgis Library
- SPC will hand-out cookies and drinks to make midterms a little less stressful.

TAG Day
- November 3 (9:00am-2:00pm) - Wilson Student Center (Marietta), Social Sciences Building (Kennesaw), and The Commons (Kennesaw)
- Our 3rd-annual Thank-A-Giver Day celebrates donors by getting students to sign a postcard that let's them know just how much we appreciate them. Pizza will be provided to those who participate.

Fall Semester Project
- Date/Time TBD - Town Point
- We will be making and distributing thank-you bags for the KSU janitorial and groundskeeping staff.

Dead Week Donuts
- Week of November 28 - Locations TBA
- SPC will help relieve some of the stress of finals' week by providing donuts and other snacks to students studying around campus.

Cording Ceremony
- Date/Time/Location TBD
- We will be honoring our graduating student philanthropists by presenting those eligible with their graduation cords and thanking them for their generosity.

To volunteer at any of these events, contact us at studentphilanthropy@kennesaw.edu