

Government Relations Update

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Virginia State University
November 2023



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CONGRATULATIONS to our VSU TROJANS who won their election for statewide office.



VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY: GREATER PUBLIC SERVANTS HAPPEN HERE.



Budget Development

Agency Budget Preparation

August:

Dept of Planning &
Budgeting
(DPB) issues instructions to
agencies

September:

Agencies generate & submit requests

Review & Recommendation

November:

Governor, DPB, Cabinet review

December:

Governor submits document & bill to General Assembly (GA)

Budget Deliberation

Legislative Action

January:

Budget bills referred to money committees

February:

Senate & House produce competing budget proposals

March:

Conference Committee reports budget bills/ GA approves budget

Gov's Review

March:

Governor signs/vetoes/ vetoes items/or returns to GA with amendments





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Division of Research and Sponsored Programs

M. Omar Faison, PhD, Associate Vice Provost

Priority 2: Sustain Academic Excellence

Objective 2.6: Increase faculty engagement in research and scholarly activity

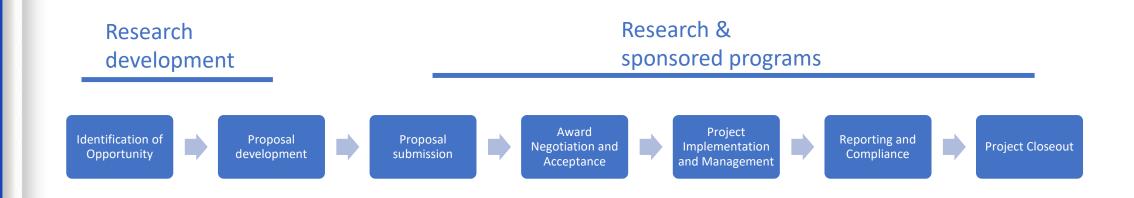


Who are we?

- Office of Sponsored Research and Programs (OSRP)
- Office of Research Development (ORD)
- Centers
 - Statistics Consulting Center
 - Center for Social Data Analytics (USDA-funded)
 - Virginia i3 Regional Resilience Project (through Innovation, Inclusiveness, & Industry Competitiveness)
 - US-EDA University Center Collaboration
 - Collaboration with Virginia Tech's Center for Economic and Community Engagement



ORD vs OSRP, what's the difference?



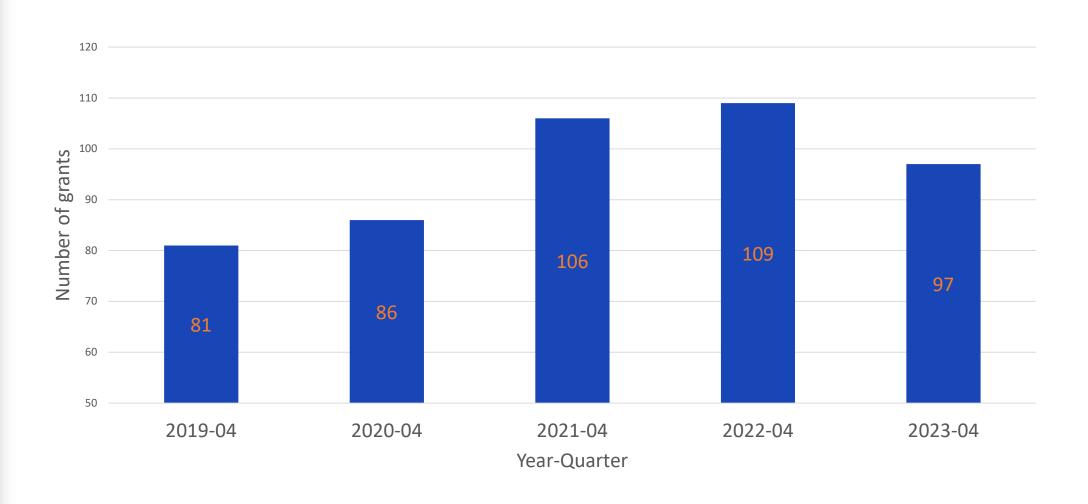


Key metrics

- Grants in portfolio
 - Count of number of grants held on measurement date
 - Measure of faculty proposal activity and success
- Grant submission
 - Count of number of grants submitted through measurement date.
 - Measure of faculty proposal activity
- Sponsored programs expenditures
 - Money spent from grants on salaries, supplies, equipment, etc.
 - Measure of grant based activity
- Indirect costs recovered
 - Formula based funding based on expenditures to support infrastructure
 - Measure of grant based activity

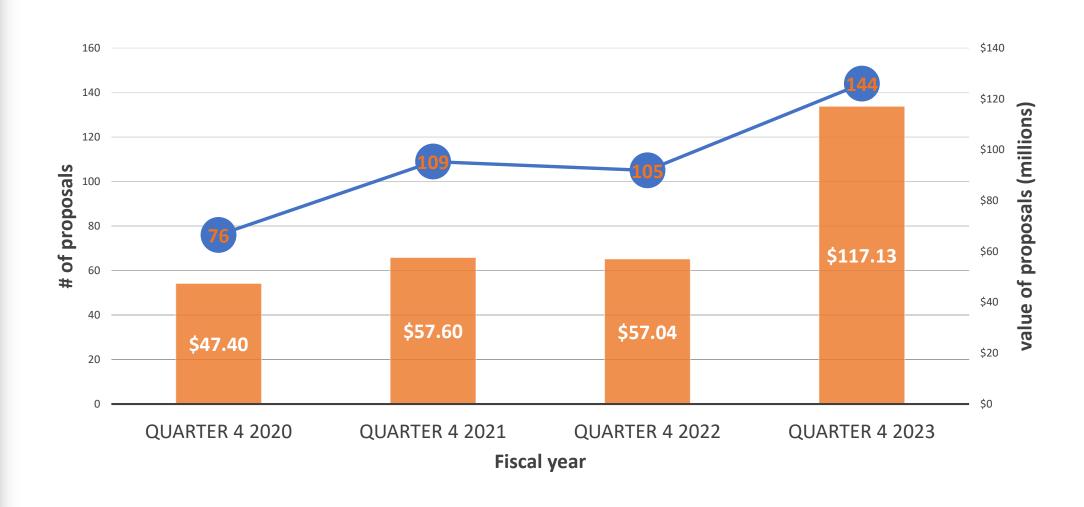


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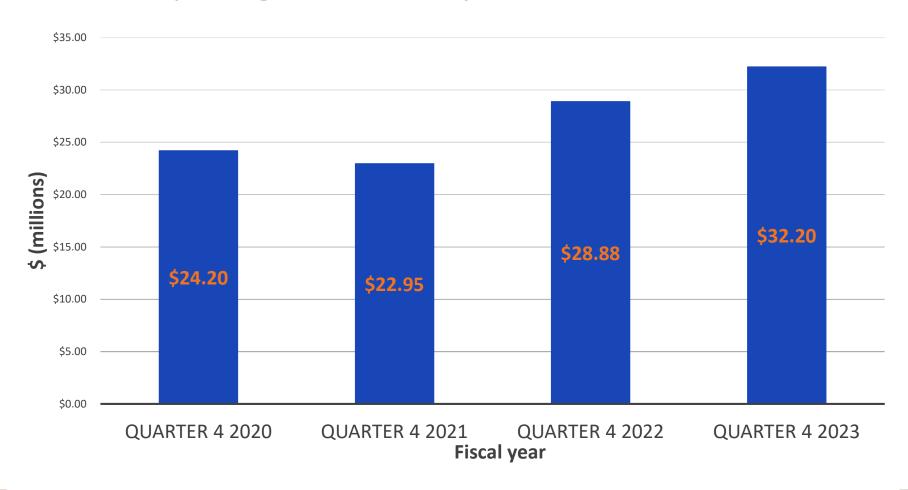




Proposals processed

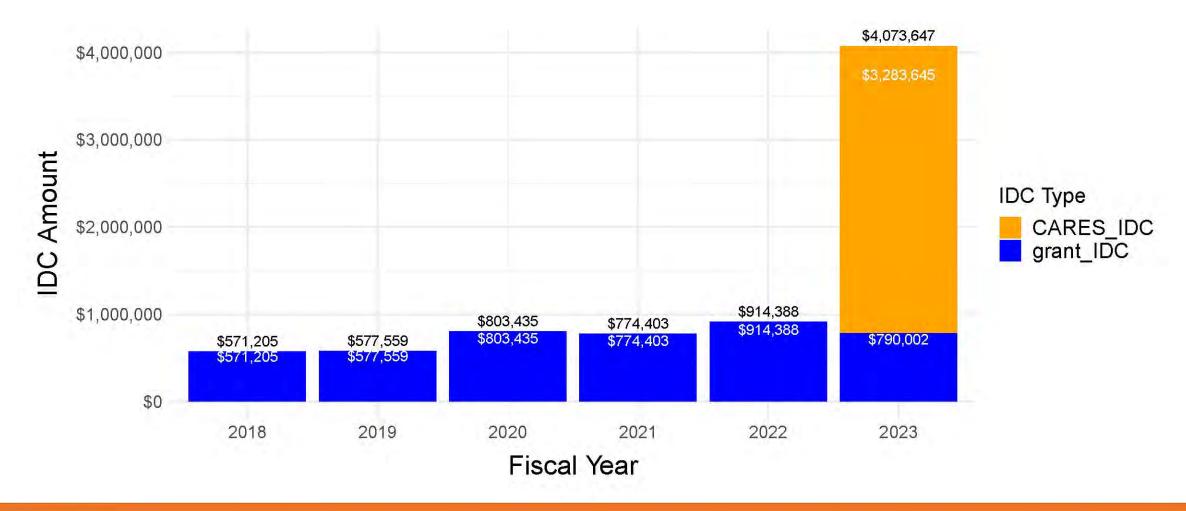


Sponsored programs expenditures





Indirect costs recovered





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Questions?

Office of Institutional Advancement November 16, 2023





VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY "Preeminence with Purpose"

Institutional Advancement Priorities
PRIORITY 4: DEFINE THE VSU BRAND AND TO TELL
OUR STORY

PRIORITY 5: DIVERSIFY FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND ENHANCE OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS





STUDENTS

CURRENT DASHBOARD

as of November 13, 2023

| | FY | 2024 | FY | 2023 | | |
|---------------------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | Dollars | Donors | Dollars | Donors | Difference Dollar | Difference Donor |
| Charitable | \$1,644,284.95 | 945 | \$1,661,780.51 | 891 | -\$17,495.56 | 54 |
| | | | | | | |
| ALUMNI | \$417,883.76 | 677 | 465,937.99 | 651 | -\$48,054.23 | 26 |
| ALUMNI ASSOC | \$19,355.06 | 2 | 8,350.00 | 8 | \$11,005.06 | - 6 |
| FACULTY/STAFF | \$22,323.54 | 43 | \$26,352.45 | 50 | -\$4,028.91 | -7 |
| CORP/FND/ORG | \$1,137,431.43 | 48 | \$1,103,929.37 | 63 | \$33,502.06 | <i>-</i> 15 |
| FRIENDS-Individuals | \$46,079.16 | 158 | \$52,635.70 | 114 | -\$6,556.54 | 44 |
| PARENTS | \$990.00 | 7 | \$4,575.00 | 5 | -\$3,585.00 | 2 |

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\$222.00

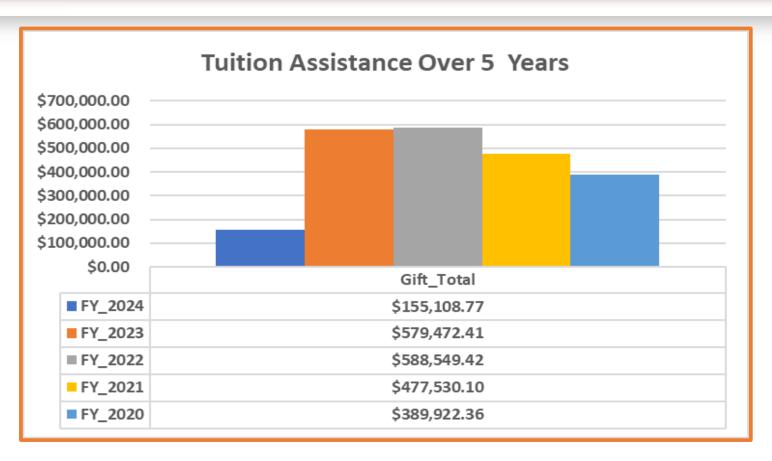
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Tuition Assistance Over 5 Years



Tuition Assistance: FY23 Total dollars raised was \$579,472.41.

We have raised FY24 \$155,108.77 or (27%) of the previous year's total a difference of (\$424,363,64).





| December 1, 2020 | November 16, 2021 | November 29, 2022 |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| \$58,824 | \$81,789 | \$189,610.76 |

Our Goal for FY24 \$200,000





CAMPAIGN UPDATE



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Imperative #1
Focus on Impact and Mission, Not Dollars

Imperative #2
Differentiate the Institution's
Value Proposition

MISSION MOMENTS



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Final Thoughts





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Department of
Institutional Advancement



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Outline

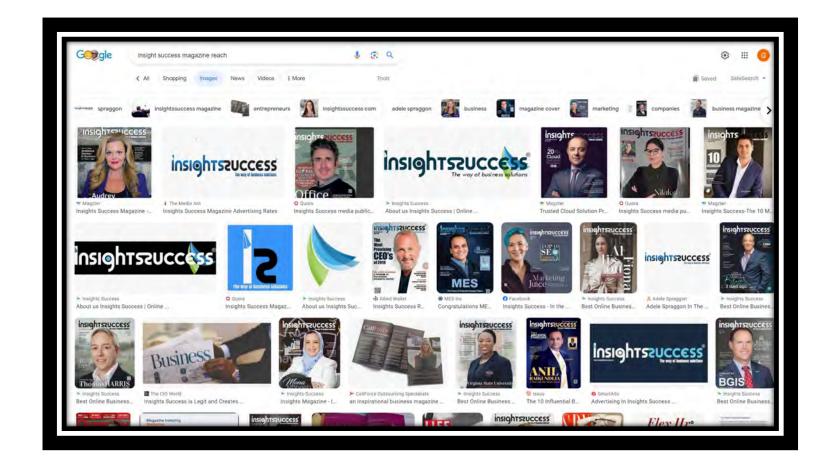
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Adjusting the Strategy

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Adjusting the Strategy



Most Prestigious
Universities
Driving Student
Success and
Career Growth in
2023

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Ad in Major League Baseball All-Star Game









HBCU Night at the Baltimore Orioles Game

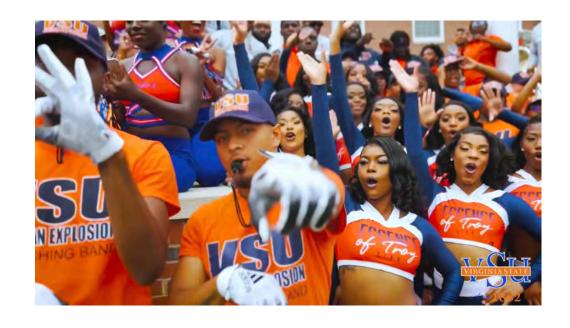






BLACK COLLEGE LIVE BROADCAST













Overall VSU Exposure

- 2.02 M viewers on tv
- 198K reach on FB
- 65K views on Twitter
- 11K on Instagram
 - 2.3 M total

February 2023 August 2023

- 2 million viewers
- \$55K/30 Second Ad
- Valued at \$880K



Trojan Explosion on Fox Sports

Student Teacher Coverage







STRATEGIES Soccer Story → Band Ranking

Housing Update



Virginia State University's Marching Band ranked among best in the country



1 month ago



ESPN ranks VSU's marching band as No. 3 in the nation

1 month ago



= The Progress Index

VSU's 'Trojan Explosion' explodes in the ranking for the nation's best HBCU band



1 month ago



R Richmond Free Press

VSU marching band is 3rd in the nation, ESPN says

4 weeks ago





HBCU Gameday

Virginia State University marching band has eyes on Atlanta

1 month ago





Social Media Successes

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Commencement Video

- -14.5K Views
- -1K Likes
- -45 Comments

Abdullah Partners with Woo Woos

- -2 Million Views
- -149K Likes
- -1.5K Comments
- -14.1K Shares

New Strategy





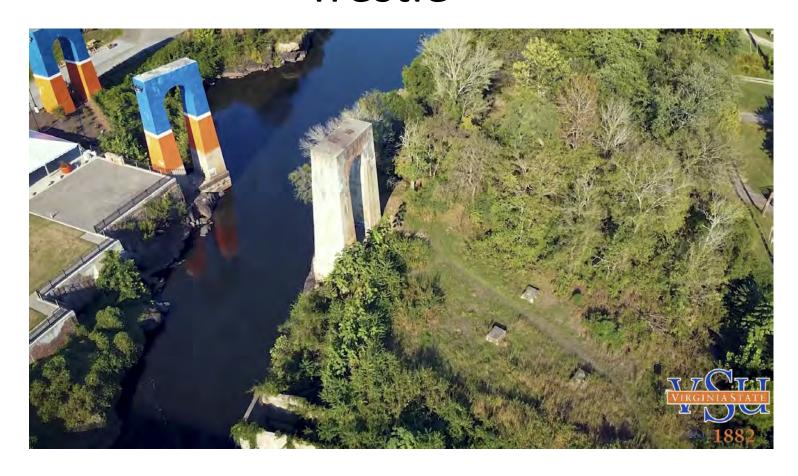
Commencement







Trestle





Front Entrance Sign

Back of New Scoreboard



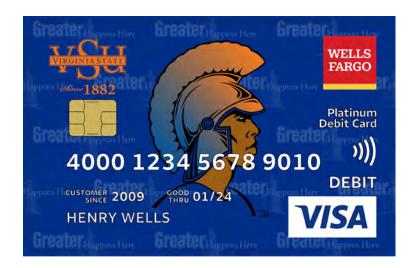




One Card



VSU Credit Card





SALES OF VSU-BRANDED ITEMS Highest in VSU History

ROYALTIES

2017: 31.6K

2018: 36.5K

2019: 31.4K

2020: 35.3K

2021: 49.2K

2022: 58.7K

2023: 75.6K





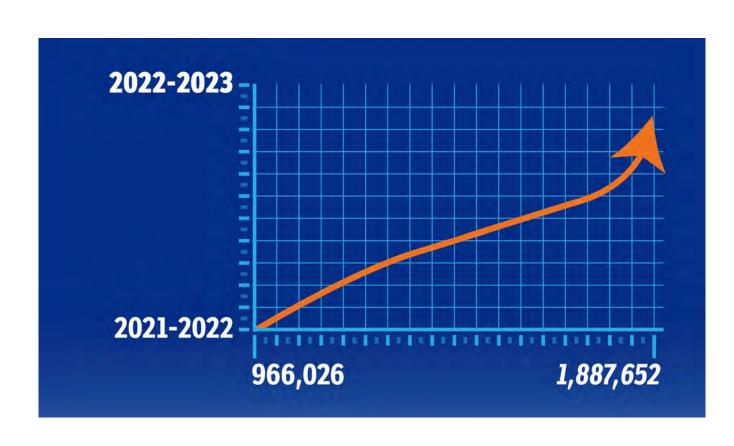




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Visits to the VSU Front Page

Approx: 100% Increase



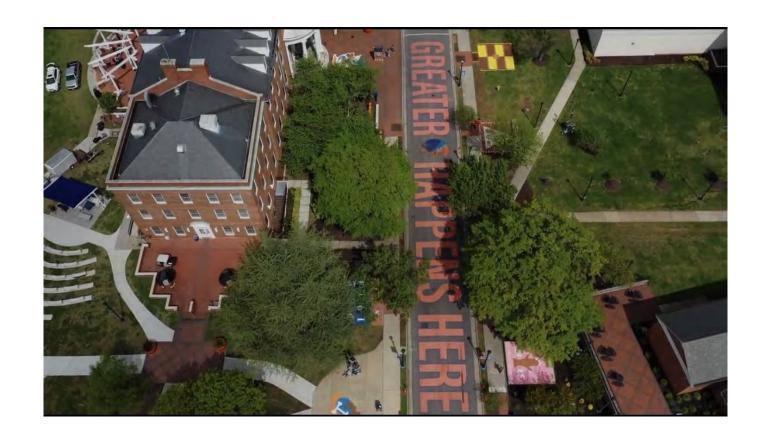








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Office of Alumni Engagement Update

Franklin Johnson-Norwood Director of Alumni Engagement

November 16, 2023





Homecoming 2023 Recap

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Homecoming 2023 Survey

Absolutely a wonderful time!
Plenty of food, drinks, great music and Trojan Love

Thank you for also providing quality restroom facilities.

It was my first time attending the President Tailgate and was quite impressed and will be in attendance next year.

The new location was lovely. The President is a great host and the Advancement team always makes us feel appreciated as Donors.

The gentlemen ushers added a special touch. The VSU president and first lady are the greatest.



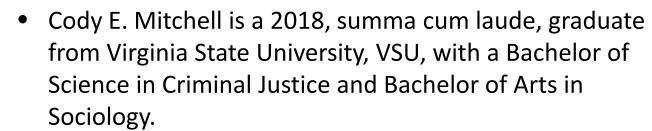
Homecoming Giving Challenge





Alumni Spotlight



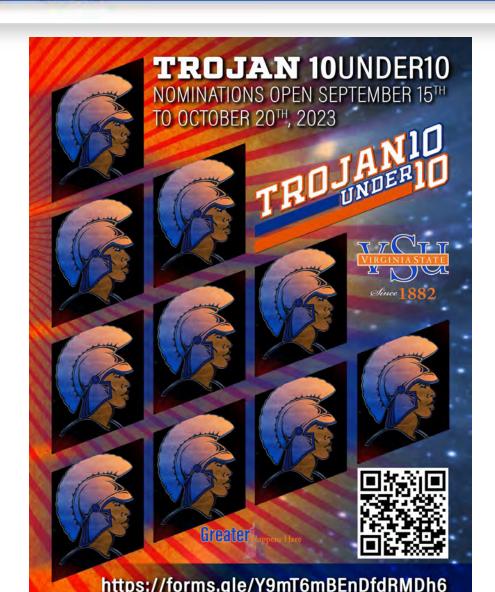


- While attending VSU, he was initiated into the Alpha Phi
 (E) Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.
- While at VSU he was the Student Government Association President and Student Representative on the Board of Visitors, 2017-2018
- 10 Under 10 and Young Trojan
- Signature Sponsor at \$5000.00 for First Lady's Annual Golf Tournament.



Alumni Recognition Societies

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INTRODUCING THE LOYAL SONS AND DAUGHTERS AWARD

The Office of Alumni Engagement proudly announces the highly anticipated Loyal Sons and Daughters Award. Experience is your superpower, and we will recognize professionals, innovators, leaders, disruptors, and business visionaries who are profoundly impacting their respective fields 11 years post-graduate from their first degree earned at Virginia State University.

The Loyal Sons and Daughters recognition provides inspiration for others to follow in their footsteps, fostering a sense of *GREATER* empowerment and excellence within the Land of Troy for years to come.

Additional information will be forthcoming.

The awards celebration will take place in May during Alumni Weekend.