Leadership at Work

A Progress Report for the Annual Fund Leadership Giving Societies at Boston University
Boston University is proud to honor the distinguished group of contributors who, year after year, help the University to prepare young people for success.

During fiscal year 2011*, **25,103 donors contributed $7,848,595 to the BU Annual Funds**—a record-setting dollar total and a 12 percent increase in donors over FY10.

65 percent of the money contributed came from only 7 percent of the donors: the members of the Annual Fund Leadership Giving Societies (AFLGS). This is the remarkable difference leadership makes in the University’s efforts to help students excel.

In FY11, **BU recognized 1,732 donors with membership in the Annual Fund Leadership Giving Societies**, in honor of their leadership-level donations made without restriction to a BU Annual Fund, including the Parents Fund.

* BU’s fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.
Leadership benefits
All levels of AFLGS membership offer a variety of benefits, including an annual gift; an annual prospectus; a quarterly newsletter (in email and print); a dedicated BU contact; special invitations to regional, athletic, and members-only events; and recognition on BU’s annual donor roster. In addition, new benefits will begin in FY12:

- **Members** (donors of $1,000–$2,499): Updates each semester from Dean of Students Kenn Elmore and an invitation to attend a special event for parent AFLGS members during Parents Weekend

- **Patrons** (donors of $2,500–$4,999): All of the benefits above and an invitation to the Celebrating Tradition event during Commencement Weekend

- **Dean's Circle** (donors of $5,000–$9,999): All of the benefits above and a VIP Rooftop Tour of BU (held at select times throughout the year)

- **President's Associates** (donors of $10,000–$24,999) & **President’s Circle** (donors of $25,000 or more): All of the benefits above and VIP seating at Commencement*, periodic updates from the president, and special invitations to evenings hosted by the president

*A limited number of seats will be available per party.*
With the support of our leadership donors, FY11 was a record-setting year for BU.

- The University received almost 42,000 applications for the 4,000 seats in this year’s freshman class, making this BU’s most competitive admissions year thus far.

- With an average high school GPA of 3.6 and SAT score of 1993, the Class of 2015 is BU’s most academically accomplished freshman class to date.

- FY11 was BU’s most successful fundraising year ever, both in terms of total giving ($7,848,595 for BU’s Annual Funds) and participation (over 25,000 alumni, student, parents, and friends); the Class of 2011 set a new Class Gift record, up by 200 percent; and parents of BU students gave almost $1 million through the Parents Fund.

- Construction began on the new East Campus Center for Student Services, which is slated to open fall 2012, in addition to other building and renovation projects on both campuses.

Annual Fund Leadership Giving Society members are part of a vital support system for BU’s ongoing pursuit of excellence. Through their vision and generosity, they are an inspiration to the BU community. We hope you will consider joining or renewing in FY12.

To donate or learn more about Annual Fund Leadership Giving Societies, visit bu.edu/buildBU or contact:

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