Lena Coleman-Wilson Establishes ‘Hope Scholarship’ to Assist Deserving Students at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Lena Coleman-Wilson, founder and CEO of the LC Foundation, Inc., has donated an initial gift of $200,000 to establish the Lena Coleman-Wilson Hope Scholarship for deserving students who are pursuing a degree from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be graduates of a Coastal Bend high school and be enrolled full-time at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi. Applicants must also have at least a 2.5 GPA and be able to demonstrate financial need.

“We created this scholarship to help students who may not have the highest GPA but do have the ability and drive to improve academically,” said Coleman-Wilson. “There are so many exceptionally bright students applying for scholarships that something needed to be done to help qualified students who aren’t getting the top scholarships but who need financial help to get their foot in the door.”

The Lena Coleman-Wilson Hope Scholarship is the most recent gift to the University from the LC Foundation. In August 2010 Coleman-Wilson presented University President Flavius Killebrew with $100,000 to help fund student scholarships, faculty enrichment, and activities and programs implemented through the president’s office which build on community engagement.

The LC Foundation is a non-profit organization that is committed to hiring and training people with disabilities and finding them permanent employment. Employees are recruited from the Corpus Christi Independent School District, Nueces County MHMR and Goodwill Industries and other entities.
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Coleman-Wilson is president emeritus of the H. Boyd Hall chapter of the NAACP and has served as a member of the United Way and the League of Women Voters. In 2008 Coleman-Wilson was named Outstanding Business Woman of the Year by the Corpus Christi Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

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