

LAKEWATCH

Endowed Assistantship



Florida LAKEWATCH is fundraising to establish an endowed assistantship for graduate students.

The average cost of a University of Florida graduate student exceeds **\$45,000/year**. Gifts to support an endowed assistantship will be invested in perpetuity to provide permanent annual support for LAKEWATCH graduate students. Our initial goal is to establish a Master's endowment.

- ▶ **MS Endowment:** Gifts totaling **\$350,000** will support **\$14,000/year**
- ▶ **PhD Endowment:** Gifts totaling **\$500,000** will support **\$20,000/year**

The first \$30,000 raised will be matched by the University of Florida: once established, an assistantship will be augmented with tuition support from the Dean of the UF College of Agricultural and Life Sciences through the '41 Fellows Initiative, valued at **\$11,000/year**. While we grow the endowment to \$350,000 spendable funds may be used to provide program support for LAKEWATCH.

A LAKEWATCH endowment will support a graduate student addressing volunteer questions on aquatic systems, covering such topics as water level, grass carp, herbicides, aquatic plants, exotic species, water clarity, algae and more.





How You Can Help

- ▶ **Share** with others the impact your work has on Florida lakes, streams and estuaries
- ▶ **Identify** neighbors, community organizations and businesses with an interest in Florida's water resources and a willingness to support LAKEWATCH
- ▶ **Make** a personal or business gift to support LAKEWATCH:
 - Cash, Stocks, Real Estate
 - Pledge over multiple years
 - Estate planning, insurance policy, trust

Checks to support this endowment should be made payable to the **UF Foundation, Inc.** with "LAKEWATCH assistantship" in the memo line.

Please direct gifts to **UF/IFAS Advancement, PO Box 110170, Gainesville, FL 32611.**

Gifts can be made online at www.uff.ufl.edu/give/LW41

For more information, please contact John Hooker at 352-294-7868 or jdhooker@ufl.edu

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Yes! I will support the LAKEWATCH Endowment

Enclosed is my gift of:

- \$2,500 \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other: \$ _____
 I would like to renew my gift for _____ additional years!

Please record my gift as follows:

Name: _____ Street: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ home/cell/work

I wish this gift to be anonymous: yes no

▶ Please make check payable to the **UF Foundation, Inc.** and mail with form to:
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