BOUNDLESS

ATHLETICS
BOUNDLESS is the promise of our student-athletes, the distinction of our coaches and the enduring spirit of our fans. BOUNDLESS represents the next era of College of Charleston Athletics.

Where were you when the shot fell against UNC? When the runs held against Long Beach State? Or when our sailing team won the national title?

In the century-long history of College of Charleston Athletics, there have been many extraordinary accomplishments and sensational moments. The College of Charleston has produced Olympians, NBA and MLB players, pro golfers, and All-Americans in a variety of sports. Mordy, we produce outstanding people who lead rewarding lives and contribute mightily to their families, their communities and the College.

A great university needs great athletics. By the same token, great athletes deserve a great education—the kind they receive at an institution anchored in liberal arts and sciences and able to strike the balance between student and athlete—the kind of education they receive at the College of Charleston.

It’s this distinction that has put the College on a path to national prominence. We are reaching forward with a spirit of new enterprise and new thinking.

Now is the time to push beyond conventional pathways to knowledge, beyond the limits of our campus footprint and beyond our very own expectations.

Now is our time to become a bolder, ever-stronger College of Charleston.
The Power of Partnership

Moving boldly forward while preserving our distinctive identity will require your dedication and partnership. As federal and state support for higher education declines, our success requires philanthropy.

By uniting the power of your generosity with the potential of College of Charleston Athletics, we can seize a unique opportunity. As an investor in this campaign, you can shape the new era of College of Charleston athletics. Our history of accomplishments can be attributed to athletes who aspire to excellence, coaches who provide leadership and motivation, and friends and alumni who have so generously supported our programs over the years. Become our partner in these new efforts as we continue striving for championship success across all sports. We invite you to partner with us so, together, we can support the student-athletes and coaches who will lead us forward.

“Cougar Athletics aims to compete with the best teams in the country. We also aim to produce an experience our student-athletes will treasure, punctuated by educating the “whole person” and culminating in the graduation of our student-athletes.”

– Joe Hull, athletics director
STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

“The Patriots Point upgrade will have an enormous impact on athletic and recreational life at the College, not only for our sports teams, but for the entire community.”

– Monte Lee, head baseball coach

A top 10 mid-major program needs modern facilities with which to attract top coaches and recruits as well as provide the best fan experience possible. Our facilities are a representation of Cougar Athletics as well as the College of Charleston and serve as a tangible example of our top 10 vision - they define us to the community and serve as the student-athletes’ homes while competing.

BOUNDLESS will support renovations and new construction at Patriots Point, to include upgraded locker rooms for men’s and women’s soccer, baseball and softball as well as new sports medicine and sports performance suites to enhance performance, conditioning and training for all our student-athletes.

And for enhancing the fan experience, BOUNDLESS will support improvements to TD Arena, including scoreboards, ribbon boards and enhanced technology.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS:
1. Build sports medicine, weight training and fitness building along with new locker rooms, meeting rooms and video areas.
2. Enhance existing locker rooms and video areas.
3. Upgrade baseball stadium.
4. Build canopy over soccer stadium main stands.
5. Expand soccer stadium seating (new stands and canopy).
6. Build artificial turf playing field and track and field facility.

Patriots Point Athletics Complex
Student-athletes such as Canyon Barry (men’s basketball) and Lizzy Vaughn (women’s softball) bring Cougar fans to their feet at the College. These young men and women are some of the most driven and ambitious students. They pursue their academics with the same ferocity and spirit with which they pursue athletic excellence. Just as we cheer their excellence on the court, so must we support their endeavors in the classroom.

BOUNDLESS will support annual and endowed athletic scholarships critical for recruiting the best and brightest student-athletes from across the country and the world.

Annual gifts to the Cougar Club for scholarships are a vital source of institutional momentum. Scholarships provide a start to student-athletes who will lead first in athletic competition, then in their careers and communities. Support from our alumni, friends and fans are vital to both the short-and long-term growth and success of CofC Athletics as we look to build and sustain a competitive athletics program in the Colonial Athletics Association and the NCAA.

Investing in Athletics through an endowed scholarship or a planned gift guarantees the future viability of our programs while also establishing a personal family legacy with the Cougars. Endowed and planned gifts also provide a long-term base of support for your favorite team or initiative. With a planned gift, you may be able to make a greater impact than you thought possible during your lifetime.

“My scholarship at the College has changed my life in many ways—taking me across the country, affording me an extraordinary education and allowing me to meet extraordinary people. Most importantly, it allowed me to play softball, which is an amazing gift. Playing for the College gives me a purpose I never had known before.”

– Lizzy Vaughn, CAA Softball Player of the Year
Since 2001, the Cougars have won 13 straight conference titles, including the 2014 CAA title.
Competition among universities to attract and retain top-level coaches and players is intense. The best coaches recruit, teach and motivate our student-athletes to reach their full potential. The playing fields and courts are their classrooms. It is vital that our coaches have the tools to prepare our student-athletes properly.

When you make a gift designated to a specific sport, you are pledging your support to our coaches and their visions for how to successfully elevate athletics to a new level of excellence. Whether it is invested in a specific team trip throughout the season, recruiting or sophisticated training equipment, your gift will go directly to supporting your team.

Priority No. 3

SPORT-SPECIFIC FUNDS

“With the help of donors, our team has been given the opportunity to travel and compete in top tier track/cross country team events around the nation. This has allowed us to grow as a team, become more competitive and gain national exposure for our programs.”

- Hayley McMahon, Track/Cross Country

While a number of our student-athletes have gone on to play professionally, for most who wear “Charleston” across their jerseys, athletics is part of the broader preparation for life after college. Athletics fosters valuable skills such as teamwork, determination, perseverance, self-discipline, time management and the ability to handle both success and failure.

**BOUNDLESS** will expand opportunities and tools for our student-athletes to reach their full potential and be successful on and off the playing field. We will pursue advances in equipment and technology that will help us recruit, scout and improve our performance while also strengthening our Student-Athlete Academic Services and Sports Medicine and Performance programs. To continue on our trajectory of excellence in both athletics and academics, it is time to make the investments that will drive our future success and enhance our ability to serve as a major point of pride and connection for the entire College of Charleston community.

Priority No. 4

EXCELLENCE FUNDS

Both the men’s and women’s golf teams won the CAA Golf Championship in 2014.
JOIN US.

Everything College of Charleston Athletics has done in the past leads up to this moment. As the College conducts this historic comprehensive campaign, it is only fitting that athletics helps lead the charge. We have trained for this. We are conditioned for it. We have tested our limits and sharpened our focus. Now is our time to take the field.

Your investment in the very best facilities, equipment, academic support and leadership is crucial to the growth and success of our young men and women. In turn, these student-athletes dedicate themselves to being leaders in every way. Your gift is an investment in these young leaders, in the College of Charleston family and in the future of athletics.

With boundless enthusiasm,

Joe Hull, Athletics Director
BASEBALL
BASKETBALL
CHEERLEADING
CROSS COUNTRY
DANCE
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GOLF
SAILING
SAND VOLLEYBALL
SOCCER
SOFTBALL
TENNIS
TRACK AND FIELD
VOLLEYBALL