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The University of Tampa is pleased to acknowledge the generosity of Amy and Michael Southard through the Crofton Cares Foundation.

The Crofton Cares Foundation supports a merit-based scholarship that covers full tuition and fees, room and board, and books for four years (8 semesters) at UT for a deserving high school senior who plans on enrolling at the University. This award is offered to high school students demonstrating financial need who have a minimum, unweighted high school GPA of 3.6 and a minimum 1280 SAT (or 28 ACT). The selected students should have served as an active extracurricular participant and/or a noteworthy school or community leader.

The Crofton Cares Foundation also supports deserving high school seniors who are student members of Starting Right, Now – a Tampa Bay-based program for homeless teenagers -- and plan on enrolling at The University of Tampa.

For the 2020-2021 academic year, two students were chosen as recipients of the Southard Family Scholarship. The first student from Richland, WA, who is majoring in allied health with an interest in occupational therapy and sociology. In high school, this student was a member of the National Honor Society, a peer mentor and coach, and captain of both the volleyball and softball teams.

The second is a student from Tampa, who is studying political science to pursue a career as a politician. The student's admission counselor believes the student "is going to be one of UT's finest students...is driven, enthusiastic, and determined to make a difference, not just at UT but anywhere" and has "the capability to change lives."

The University of Tampa is grateful for the continued support and generosity of Amy and Michael Southard, and the Crofton Cares Foundation. We believe we share the goal of providing exceptional academic and co-curricular higher educational experiences to all deserving students.

Thank you,

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