## **KNOW THYSELF - HELP OTHERS**

# THE **PORTERS CIRCLE** — OF THE CISTERN SOCIETY —

YOUNG ALUMNI PLANNED GIVING SOCIETY

## CELEBRATING YOUNG ALUMNI PLANNED GIVING

Philanthropic gifts from alumni provided the resources and scholarships that prepared you to be a leader. Today's College of Charleston students are undergoing that same preparation. As an alumnus, you can show your appreciation and be a leader among peers by paying it forward with a planned gift.

## WHY PORTERS?

Constructed in 1850, Porters Lodge was the home to the College's porter or custodian; it now houses several faculty offices. Housed at the heart of our urban campus, Porters Lodge serves as the true "gateway" to receiving an education at the College of Charleston. Often considered the most important rite of passage for attendees of the College of Charleston, students pass through the arch at Porters Lodge on their first day and enter the Cistern Yard for Convocation. Inscribed in Greek on the arch are the words "Know Thyself." Upon graduation in the spring, students exit the Cistern Yard by passing underneath the same arch and out into the world. By making a planned gift to the College, you are serving as a custodian of future Cougars' educations.

Planned giving's flexible gift options meet the financial, personal and family goals of donors in every situation – whether they're young or old, with extraordinary wealth or modest financial means. You can create a meaningful charitable legacy while taking care of yourself and your loved ones – without sacrificing your quality of life.

> - Peggy Cieslikowski Director, Planned Giving

#### MEMBERSHIP

The Porters Circle honors young alumni who have graduated in the last 15 years and have chosen to preserve the College of Charleston tradition through an estate gift of at least 5%. This gift can be from any asset in your portfolio.

#### BENEFITS

In addition to receiving recognition and benefits as Cistern Society members, Porters Circle donors will be celebrated throughout the year in ways unique to young alumni.

#### JOIN

- designate the College as at least a 5% beneficiary of a life insurance policy
- list the College as at least a 5% beneficiary of retirement funds
- add the College as a minimum of 5% beneficiary to your will or estate plan

### FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE PORTERS CIRCLE OF THE CISTERN SOCIETY, CONTACT:

COLLEGE of CHARLESTON PORTERS CIRCLE

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