



President
Oklahoma State University Foundation
Stillwater, Oklahoma

The Oklahoma State University Foundation Board of Trustees invites nominations and applications for the position of President of Oklahoma State University Foundation (the "OSU Foundation").

About the Position

The President of the OSU Foundation provides general supervision and ensures appropriate control over the affairs of the OSU Foundation, including fundraising programs and donor development and stewardship involving all colleges, schools and divisions of Oklahoma State University, as well as other programs and initiatives supported by or affiliated with Oklahoma State University from time to time. Management of the OSU Foundation, its personnel and the fiscal affairs of the OSU Foundation are coordinated through a senior staff of professionals who report to the President. The President also serves as a senior advisor to OSU administration on matters relating to the development, implementation and integration of Oklahoma State University's private fundraising programs and activities. The President serves at the direction of the Board of Trustees of the OSU Foundation.

About the Foundation

The OSU Foundation, called the OSU Development Foundation until 1979, has proudly supported Oklahoma State University's fundraising needs for more than half a century. As one of the top higher-education fundraising organizations in the Big 12 Conference, the OSU Foundation started out with one development officer raising a few thousand dollars in 1961. Two years later in 1963, the OSU Foundation raised \$106,622. The momentum built as all-time giving totals hit \$1 million in 1967 and a second full-time employee was added in 1969.

Milestones continued throughout the 1970s, including 1976, when gifts in a single year surpassed \$2 million for the first time. Among the highlights of the 1980s was the 1981 announcement of the first \$1 million gift, which was provided by Floyd M. "Pete" and Helen L. "Pat" Bartlett of Tulsa. The following year, T. Boone Pickens made his first \$1 million gift. He later made the three largest gifts in Oklahoma State University's history, with each totaling \$100 million or more.

In June 1994, the OSU Foundation launched its first comprehensive campaign, *Bringing Dreams to Life* which ended in June 2000, surpassing \$260 million after an initial goal of \$125 million. In December 2007, the OSU Foundation launched a subsequent campaign, *Branding Success: The Campaign for Oklahoma State University*. More than 100,000 donors



helped the campaign exceed its audacious \$1 billion goal nearly 15 months ahead of schedule, finishing with \$1.2 billion in December 2015.

Today, the OSU Foundation stays true to the mission of uniting donor and university passions and priorities to achieve excellence.

About Oklahoma State University

Oklahoma State University was founded on December 25, 1890, as Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, just twenty months after the Land Run of 1889.

On July 1, 1957, Oklahoma A&M College officially became Oklahoma State University. Technical branches were established in Okmulgee in 1946 and in Oklahoma City in 1961, later renamed OSU-Institute of Technology and OSU-Oklahoma City, respectively. In 1972, the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery was established in Tulsa and in 1988 became Oklahoma State University's College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Oklahoma State University is a modern land-grant university that prepares students for success. Through leadership and service, Oklahoma State University improves the lives of people in Oklahoma, the nation and the world. Built on the value of high-quality teaching, research and outreach, OSU gives students the resources and education they need to make a difference in the world.

About Stillwater, Oklahoma

Stillwater, Oklahoma, home to approximately 49,000 people, is located in north central Oklahoma, near the geographic center of the U.S. Often called Oklahoma's "premier education community," Stillwater is the home of some of the region's finest education and training institutions, including Oklahoma State University, Meridian Technology Center, Northern Oklahoma College/OSU Gateway, and one of the nation's top rated public school systems.

Stillwater is also home to a diverse mix of business and industry, from manufacturing to advanced technology. With its low crime rate and a cost of living below the national average, Stillwater is consistently ranked among the nation's top small cities for quality of life and, in addition to the beautiful Georgian architecture of Oklahoma State University, Stillwater is surrounded by historic attractions, unique restaurants and an abundance of entertainment and activities.

Known as the "Original Home of Red Dirt Music," Stillwater has quick access to major highways and is located just one hour from Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Stillwater has been voted "Oklahoma's Friendliest Town" by readers of *Oklahoma Living Magazine*.