Opportunities to Support UC San Diego’s Arthur C. Clarke Center for Human Imagination

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH – STUDENT PROJECT FUND $10,000
Support for the student project fund will support 2-4 undergraduate students to develop work that explores and enacts imagination in ways that will have an engagement with the public. Clarke Center faculty will have oversight of the student projects, and building relationships with external organizations and community groups will be an impact goal.

STARDUST NEBULAE $10,000
Annual gifts of $10,000 and above will support the Clarke Center’s ongoing programs including STEAM-focused outreach, interdisciplinary research projects, and annual programs and events designed to contribute to future thinking and critical discourse.

FOUNDER’S ORBIT $100,000
Engaging interested individuals with a breadth of experience and interactions with society, industry, education and government is crucial to the Clarke Center’s formation. We seek donors at this level who will also be involved in the Center’s activities throughout the year by providing ramp-up funding, serving as the Center’s advocates and immediate network, and recruiting others to become involved.

IMAGINARIUM NAMING $500,000 - $750,000
Create a legacy at the Clarke Center by naming the Imaginarium lab at UC San Diego. The focus of the ~1,500 square foot lab will respond to diverse research areas represented by the explorations of Clarke Center researchers and their associates.

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP ENDOWMENT $1 MILLION
This support will establish an endowment to fund education efforts for graduate students from across the nation and around the world. Because of the work they perform, the assistance they provide to faculty, and the innovative ways they approach and advance their fields, graduate students are vital to a university’s performance and stature, and its impact on the community. This program will provide an opportunity for bright and promising young scholars to seed new interdisciplinary research as well as become our future leaders in business, academia, government and private endeavors.

ENDOWMENT FOR IMAGINATIVE INQUIRY $2 MILLION
A $2 million investment will establish an endowment in science and imagination for Visiting Scholars at the Clarke Center to bring a diverse group of outside artists, scholars and thinkers to interact with the University, the Center, our associates and partners. The fund will support an annual, rotating selection of scholars to conduct research and participate in the projects and programs of the Center. Additional funding from varied sources will be sought to increase the endowment base and expand the program over time.

ENDOWED CHAIR IN IMAGINATION $2 MILLION
Support will establish a new endowed chair within the Department of Visual Arts focused on interdisciplinary research and imagination studies. Our ability to offer endowed chairs allows us to remain competitive with the world’s top universities in recruiting superior faculty, while at the same time furthering leading-edge research and enabling education innovations.

ENDOWED FUND FOR SUSTAINABILITY GOAL: $5 MILLION
Our goal in the next five years is to grow our endowed fund for the Clarke Center through individual and corporate gifts. The fund will create a sustainability base for the Center’s future program and operational support. Whenever possible, we will request of our donors that 20% of an outright gift, pledge or other funding support will be directed to build this endowed fund and will accept targeted gifts to meet the goal.