The Fund will honor the late Myra Hiatt Kraft (Dec. 27, 1942-July 20, 2011) by providing financial support to deserving UMass undergraduate students who are actively involved in community service. Myra was known for her leadership, passion and dedication to public service. She served on the UMass Board of Trustees from 1994-1998, during which time she co-chaired the 1st UMass Presidential Honors Gala. She managed the Robert & Myra Kraft Family Foundation and was president of the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation, which contributed millions to charities in the U.S. and Israel. Myra also served on numerous organizations and was an inspiration to others to do the same.

FUND BACKGROUND
The Fund was formally established in 2013 with a generous donation from Robert K. Kraft and with the collaboration and financial support of the New England Patriots organization and the proceeds from the UMass System U2 Concert held at Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, Massachusetts in September 2009.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
To be eligible for the Myra Kraft Community Leadership Scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:
- Be a matriculated junior for the fall semester 2016.
- Be a volunteer at least two (2) hours per week at a charitable organization.
- Be a resident of Massachusetts.
- Open to any and all majors.
- Submit a resume detailing community service activity.
- Submit an essay, explaining current community service involvement, and what does your involvement means to you.

The scholarship is a one year scholarship that is not renewable. The individual Scholarship award is $2,000.

Please Note: Only students awarded a scholarship will be contacted and notified via letter by the end of June.