

The following is a sample of the many initiatives that the Foundation office accomplished under Darnell's leadership:

Raised funds for:

- Admissions Department
- Agriculture Department
- Assessment Center
- Audio-Visual Department
- Automotive Department facility renovations
- Baseball Press Box
- Business Education
- CaseIH Department
- Cheer
- Communications Tower at Camp Aldrich
- Criminal Justice Department
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency Services Education
- Fine Arts Building ADA enhancements
- Fine Arts Auditorium & Lobby renovations
- GED Program
- Instrumental & Vocal Music Departments
- Jack Kilby Day events
- Jumpstart Program
- Learning Resource Center renovation
- Midwest Utility and Pipeline Training Center
- Networking Specialist Program
- Nursing Department enhancements
- Public Relations Department
- RSVP
- Shafer Art Gallery
- Soccer Field and Track Complex
- Stairs for the campus swimming pool
- Student Union Renovation
- Theatre Department

Memberships and Awards:

- Council for Resource Development (served as a board member on both the regional and national level)
- Received Distinguished Service Award from the ECF Post Rock Jaycees in 2009
- Great Bend Chamber of Commerce (served as Ambassador and ex-officio board member)
- Great Bend Rotary Club (Paul Harris Fellow)
- Ellsworth Correctional Facility Spiritual Life Committee
- Received Volunteer of the Year Award from Ellsworth Correctional Facility in 2014

Created:

- 39 new endowments and 34 new annually funded scholarships in addition to annually supplementing Barton's GPA scholarships.
- 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cookbook and purchased outdoor furniture for the campus with the proceeds
- Annual retreats for the Foundation board
- Donor Appreciation Dinners
- "Partners in Education" awards in conjunction with Workforce Training & Community Education
- Sporting Clay Shoot and awarded 61 Barton faculty mini-grants to-date with the event proceeds
- Thank-A-Thon donor recognition

Additional Involvement:

- Assisted with Barton's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration
- Assisted with Dorothy Moses Morrison Chapel renovation
- Assisted with Kansas Wetland's Opening Celebration
- Hosted the Sunflower Spelling Bee (sponsored by the *Great Bend Tribune*)
- Opened "Cougar Tales Bookstore" in downtown Great Bend
- Received unqualified audits every year
- Assumed leadership of Silver Cougar Club