

## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Council Gant-Kaufman Awards**

### **June 2014**

The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Council, a Tallahassee-Leon County community improvement non-profit, is pleased to announce an endowment established to honor two founding members.

**Roger Kaufman, Ph.D.** and **James L. “Jack” Gant, Ph.D.** are two nationally and internationally recognized scholars in their fields. In addition to their world-wide speaking, consulting and training activities, both men have given much time, energy and expertise to their local community. They were integral in the establishment of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Council nearly 20 years ago as a non-partisan coalition of citizens seeking to impact policies and practices that maintain or improve the quality of life for all our citizens. In recognition of their commitment, the Council has established an endowment at the Community Foundation of North Florida to support two annual awards in their names.

**The Roger Kaufman Exemplary Community Agency Award** will be given annually to a local non-profit that exemplifies the substantive use of needs assessment data and report results that go beyond processes and products. Social service groups will be encouraged to assess their “Outputs and Outcomes” to track their impact on the quality of life of the clients they serve. The goal of the endowment is to award a minimum of \$1000 annually to one agency in recognition of its efforts to demonstrate and report value added results in the community.

**The Jack Gant Graduate Student Community Study Award** will be offered annually to a graduate student who bridges the “Town and Gown” gap with an examination of a local community issue. The selected paper will have identified a community problem, demonstrated a sensitivity to the significance of the issues to the people involved, examined relevant data that clarifies the need, researches best practices and evidence-based alternatives, and makes realistic recommendations for policy and/or community action. An award of \$500 (or more than one award if funds become available) will be made annually with the publication of the paper on the Council’s web-site.

#### **Donation to the endowment to support the awards may be made payable to and sent to:**

21<sup>st</sup> Century Council  
P.O. Box 10312  
Tallahassee FL 32302

A notation on the check or in an attached correspondence should indicate. “21<sup>st</sup> Century Council Gant-Kaufman Awards.”

Donations may also be made directly to the Community Foundation of North Florida, on line at [www.cfnf.org](http://www.cfnf.org) or payable to CFNF, or sent with a similar notation to:

Community Foundation of North Florida  
1621 Metropolitan Blvd. Suite A  
Tallahassee FL 32308

All proceeds from the endowment will be used to support the awards and no funds will be used for Council administration or other programs.