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## USFSP TO HOST LYNN PIPPENGER HALL RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY JAN. 17



*The entrance to Lynn Pippenger Hall, the new home for the Kate Tiedemann College of Business.*

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Construction of the building was made possible with critical support from elected officials and community leaders, which resulted in legislative funding of \$27 million over three years. Three historically significant gifts come from three local businesswomen: Kate Tiedemann, Ellen Cotton and Lynn Pippenger. The hall is named for Pippenger, a former Raymond James executive who contributed \$5 million in March 2016 to fund scholarships for students studying Accounting or Finance. Pippenger has long been a supporter of USF, whose total giving to the Muma College of Business exceeds \$21 million.

In 2014, entrepreneur Kate Tiedemann bestowed a \$10 million gift to the university—the largest in the institution's history—to support education, research, and the service mission of the college. The College is named for her. Tiedemann's transformational gift was followed in early 2016 by a \$1 million gift from Ellen Cotton to help fund scholarships. The building's expansive atrium is named for her.

"The Kate Tiedemann College of Business is grounded in student success. Through foundational and experiential learning, and a commitment to student professional development, we are investing in the next generation of business leaders," said KTCOB Dean Sridhar Sundaram. "Our new home, Lynn Pippenger Hall, is truly inspiring and will push us to be more, dream bigger and maintain a future-forward approach in all of our teaching and learning."

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