

Press Release

SANTANDER EXTENDS ITS COMMITMENT TO PROVIDENCE COLLEGE THROUGH 2020

BOSTON, November 8, 2013 – Santander Bank, N.A., one of the 25 largest retail banks in the United States by deposits, renewed its commitment to Providence College through 2020 today in a broad-based program of support to be implemented by its Santander Universities division.

Santander's renewed commitment to Providence College will continue the Bank's focus of supporting global exchange opportunities, research grants, scholarships and entrepreneurship studies for students attending Providence College.

"We believe that the best way to invest in the future is to invest in higher education," said Roman Blanco, president and CEO of Santander US. "Santander is delighted to continue and expand our partnership with Providence College, with its devotion to excellence, spirit of inquiry and international vision."

"Providence College shares a great relationship with Santander. We both believe in the importance of education and PC is very grateful Santander has chosen to invest in our students," said College President Reverend Brian J. Shanley, O.P., '80.

The renewal of Santander's commitment to Providence College comes on the heels of the Bank's recently announced pledge to invest \$100 million in U.S. colleges and universities over the next five years.

About Us

Santander Universities is the channel through which Santander supports higher education areas such as teaching and research, international cooperation, knowledge and technology transfer, entrepreneurial initiatives, student exchange and innovation. Last year, the program supported more than 4,105 new projects and 37,712 scholarships globally. In 2012, Santander Universities funded over 950 scholarships in the United States. For more information about Santander Universities Global Division, visit www.santander.com/universities.



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