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Laurie works strategically in partnership with the Dean, University/College leadership and faculty to identify and inspire philanthropic opportunities to enhance FAU’s reputation of excellence and to support strategic initiatives.

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