

College football community donates \$10,000 to Devon Walker Fund

September 11, 2012 11:00 AM New Wave staff
newwave@tulane.edu

The College Football Assistance Fund was among the first contributors to the Devon Walker Fund on Monday (Sept. 10), announcing a grant of \$10,000 to help defray medical costs and provide assistance to the family of the injured Green Wave student-athlete.

Tulane has created a [Support for Devon Walker](#) website that offers several ways to make contributions that will go directly to Devon and his family.

Walker is in stable condition in ICU at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Okla., recovering from spinal surgery that took place on Sunday, a day after he sustained a cervical fracture during the University of Tulsa-Tulane football game.

"On behalf of the CFAF board of directors, we are pleased to announce a grant to the Devon Walker Fund," said June Jones, head coach at Southern Methodist University and a member of the CFAF Board of Directors. "We are encouraging everyone to support this young man in need by [contributing directly to Devon](#), or by making a gift to CFAF, which will support Devon and other injured college football players."

A senior cell and molecular biology major, Walker earned a football scholarship after walking on to the team in 2009 and was the Tulane starting safety. He is from the New Orleans area.

Tulane Athletics director Rick Dickson thanked CFAF for being among the first to donate toward Devon. "Their gift is more than a donation ? it is indicative of the care and concern of the entire college football community," Dickson said. "I have no doubt others in the college football community will follow their lead in helping to defray expenses for Devon and his family."

A nonprofit organization, [CFAF](#) supports athletes who have sustained serious injuries

through college football. It was established in 2010 by a group of collegiate coaches and athletic administrators.