Passions that help pave the way

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With hopes of creating a brighter future for minorities following in their footsteps, faculty, alumni and professors of minority are using their success to evoke positive change within our society.

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"My combination of resiliency and hard work has allowed me to succeed," Lubin said.

Lubin said she started the program to create diversity within the field of neuroscience.

"I think that often times, when someone makes it, they forget to send the elevator back down in order for someone else to get on," Lubin Said. "You might have to outreach to help more individuals succeed."

Lubin said she also gives back by gifting microscopes to young children and promotes STEM through Girls Inc.