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Dear donors, colleagues and friends,

Your contribution to the OCC Foundation is powerful! Each gift strengthens the Foundation, thus allowing us to provide resources to support our students, community and college.

Scholarships play a vital role in students' education and provide options so they may focus more intently on their studies. Your generous contributions have established over 130 scholarships, ranging in subjects from Nursing to Photography.

While scholarships continue to be our main focus, these resources also allow us to engage and develop stronger partnerships within our community. These partnerships cultivate opportunities for the individuals who live and work here.

All of these resources make it possible for the College to thrive and prosper during a time when budgets are reduced and college education is no longer an option, but a requirement for optimal success.

Inside the pages of this report, you will learn how we harness the power of your gifts and use them on a daily basis to transform lives. We are proud to recognize your generosity by listing your name in our Honor Roll of Donors.

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STUDENTS

The Scholarship Luncheon

OCC Scholarship Luncheon Celebrates Students and Donors

The Oakland Community College Foundation celebrated its 24th Annual Scholarship Luncheon honoring both the students who received scholarships and the donors who supported them. The Foundation awarded 260 scholarships, totaling \$150,594 in the 2015-2016 academic year, which made education affordable, accessible and attainable for those students.



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- 1. Davida Reed-Grayer
- 2. Kayla Tyus
- 3. Heather Duenas
- 4. Hong Le
- 5. Allison Vergara

At the Luncheon, five scholarship recipients spoke about the impact scholarships have had on their lives as OCC students.

Davida Reed-Grayer of Waterford is one class away from earning an Associate in Business Administration and hopes to open her own business. She received the OCC Gala Endowed Scholarship.

Kayla Tyus of Farmington Hills is a dual-enrolled Oakland Early College high school/college student. She plans to graduate from high school and OCC in 2017 with an Associate in Science. Tyus received the OCC Faculty Association Scholarship.

Heather Duenas of Pontiac will be graduating with honors from OCC this semester and transferring to Oakland University to pursue a degree in elementary education. Duenas received the Womencenter Scholarship.

Hong Le of Warren is one class away from earning an Associate in Business Administration with a major in Accounting. Le received the Joseph & Mary Lorencz Scholarship.

Allison Vergara of Highland is majoring in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance and plans to transfer to the University of Michigan next fall. Vergara received the Cervantes-Paramo Scholarship.

“Your generous support makes College an option for many students, such as myself.”

Heather Duenas



“I wanted to teach, and I wanted to make a difference. At the age of 29, I found Oakland Community College. I knew that I wouldn’t be able to earn my teaching certificate here, but I could take all of my general education classes at a much less expensive rate and transfer those credits to a university. I enrolled and I started classes. The problem I soon faced was money. Tuition and books can get quite expensive, even at the community college level. I couldn’t work as much if I wanted to go to school full time, but I still needed the income to take care of my children. I knew that it would be a financial struggle and decided to explore scholarship options offered at OCC. There were so many and I was determined to try every option offered to me. Being awarded the scholarship at the time that I did was such a blessing to me. The money that I was awarded allowed me to save my grant for a later semester.

I have overcome many obstacles in my life. I graduated from OCC in the spring of 2016 with my Associate Degree in Liberal Arts. I am currently a junior at Oakland University, and I plan to be a teacher by 2018. I want to say thank you to all past, present and future OCC scholarship donors. Your generous support makes College an option for many students, such as myself. So often, we don’t realize it but there is a person, or a group of people behind the scholarships. I could never express enough gratitude for the unselfishness that you all show, but I hope you realize that your kindness does not go unnoticed. Thank you so much!

I also want to tell students to never give up. If a single mom of four can fulfill her dream of teaching, you can too! Fill out those scholarship applications. The time spent is well worth the money that you can earn toward your education.”





The Garden Party Foundation presents OCC with a \$35,000 check. (Left to right) **Elizabeth Ross, Candy Geeter, Sue Baier, Timothy Meyer and Syd Ross**

The Garden Party

Every June for the past eight years, the Oakland Community College Foundation has been one of the fortunate recipients of the proceeds from the Garden Party Foundation, which supports students enrolled in OCC's Culinary Studies Institute. This event, hosted by the Ross and Cooper families, benefits The Garden Party Foundation's mission of providing trade school scholarships to underprivileged young adults.

Oakland Community College's award-winning Culinary Studies Institute provides students with hands-on experiences in one of the largest facilities of its type, with quality instruction by expert faculty. The OCC Culinary Studies Institute is Michigan's premier hospitality school.

"The Culinary Studies Institute provides aspiring chefs a solid foundation to launch their careers," said OCC Chancellor Timothy Meyer. "Our culinary students win awards at regional and national competitions and go on to become successful chefs and business owners. We are grateful for our partnership with The Garden Party Foundation and their long-standing generosity, which advances our nationally-ranked program."

The Garden Party Foundation believes that trade schools are overlooked yet an outstanding opportunity for young adults. The unemployment rate for 17-25 year olds hovers around 15%. Meanwhile, there are at least 70,000 unfilled jobs in Michigan, most of which are for skilled trades. Trade schools can fill the gap, teaching students the knowledge and skills to be career-ready, as well as help them build self-sustainable lives. The support and career exposure students receive in trade schools can help ensure long-term success. Trade schools also connect students to in-demand jobs and businesses to a pool of career-ready talent.

By supporting this event, your gift has the power to help underprivileged young adults take advantage of opportunities in fields which have a lasting impact on the community where they live.



OCC employees and guest attend the 25th Annual Golf for Scholarships Outing. (Left to right) Brenda Townsend, Mathew Burchard, Sue Bourbeau

The Golf Outing

For the past 25 years, Oakland Community College has hosted its annual “Golf for Scholarships” outing. This event has raised over \$800,000, allowing the Foundation to award approximately 600 student scholarships. Thanks to the participation of donors, golfers and guests attending the event, the outing is the College’s largest fundraiser and creates an opportunity for the Foundation to cultivate numerous powerful relationships with community partners.

The sponsors of the outing are made up of several community partners, such as Delta Network Services, who has been the Golf Outing’s Presenting Sponsor for the past three years. Their contribution has resulted in the establishment of the Delta Network Services Endowed Scholarship which supports students pursuing a college degree in the field of information technology.

Developing strong partners in the community provides the resources necessary to assist students on their educational journey.





Student Success Fund

In recent years, the priorities for community colleges have shifted from access to success. This shift has resulted in colleges exploring innovative ways to ensure that barriers, preventing students from completing their educational goals are decreased or eliminated. In December 2014, the focus of the Foundation's Annual Appeal was to establish a Student Success Fund with that objective in mind. Thanks to the support of retirees and current College employees, we were able to raise over \$34,000.



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The Student Success Fund provides immediate financial assistance to help currently enrolled students attending one of the five OCC campuses. The emergency situations these students face may impede their ability to continue their education and involve circumstances beyond the students' control. Students must have exhausted all other sources of funding before applying for this program.

- Food, rent or utilities
- Emergency transportation and vehicle repair
- Child care expenses
- Medical/dental expenses
- Educational expenses, including tuition, fees, books

Since the inception of the fund, we have been able to help students purchase food, gas and pay for books. The support continues to have a big impact on the lives of our students.





SCHOLARSHIPS



George Mosher, Founder of OCC, is accompanied by his daughter-in-law **Cindi Mosher** and Interim Executive Director of the foundation **Candy Geeter** at the annual Scholarship Luncheon.

Named Scholarships

Gifts of \$1,000 or more help create named scholarships for students in a variety of academic programs. Endowed funds are established with gifts of \$10,000 or more and continue in perpetuity.

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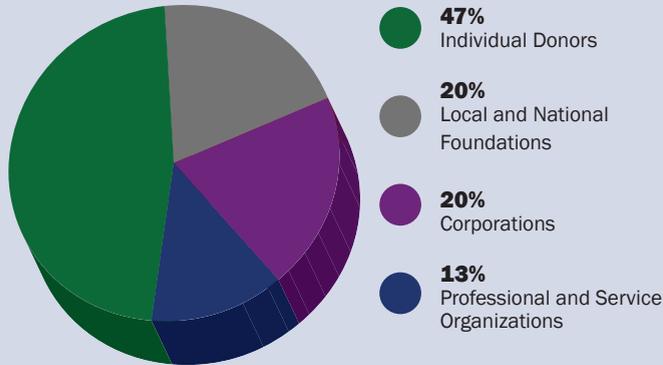
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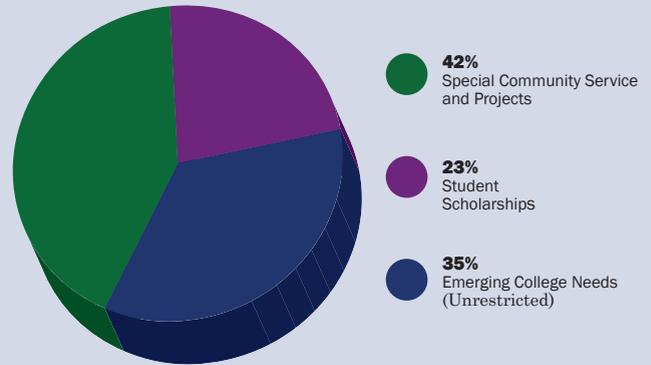


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