Chemeketa Community College Foundation
2014 Annual Report

Together, we make college possible.
Together, we change lives.

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Message from the President

Dear Friends,

The Chemeketa Foundation makes college possible for deserving students who are committed to creating a better life through education.

In 2014 –

- 2,052 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships
- 492 scholarships were awarded
- $4,227 was the estimated cost of attending Chemeketa for one term (tuition, fees, books, rent, transportation, personal expenses, etc.)
- $1,200 was our average scholarship award

Each year, we see the need continue to grow. Each year, your generosity makes college a reality. Your support transforms the lives of our students and our region.

Thank you for keeping the Chemeketa Foundation on your list of giving priorities.

Sincerely,

Julie Huckestein
President
“From 2004–2010 I worked with a team to improve the life of village people in a remote part of India. We taught them how to garden, the importance of hygiene and helped them to build toilets. During that period, I learned of teenage girls being targeted by human traffickers. In some cases, they would approach teenage girls offering jobs with high salaries or modeling. Poverty in the village made it easy for these human predators. After completing my work in the village, I came to the United States to pursue my degree in psychology in hopes of helping end this modern day slavery. Your support enables me to go after my dream.”

—Binu, Gretchen S. Schuette Strength in Diversity Scholarship and Vista Masonic Scholarship

The Vista Masonic Lodge #215 established this scholarship to assist two full-time Chemeketa students annually in reaching their academic goals. The lodge hosts an annual dinner to meet their student recipients and celebrate their academic accomplishments.
“Being part of the nursing program at Chemeketa has helped me grow both academically and personally. The confidence and skills I have gained will help me be a better nurse and provide quality patient care. Advocating for others and helping to alleviate their pain is what I want to do with my life. I would like to explore all fields of nursing, but my ultimate goal is to work in labor and delivery. This support will enable me to be able to focus more on learning and alleviate the added stress of the financial burden. Your help means the world to me.”

—Cassandra, Jeanette Rustin Memorial Scholarship

During her end-of-life care, Jeanette Rustin was deeply moved by the warmth and compassion she received from the nurses in charge of her care. After discovering they had graduated from Chemeketa’s Nursing Program, she established a planned gift from her estate to assist nursing students in the program. The Jeanette Rustin Memorial Scholarship represents Jeanette’s spirit of generosity while providing 20 students scholarships in 2014.
“Child care has always been a tough patch in my journey, even with my husband working more than 40 hours a week and my part-time job. Because of the generous support of donors, I now have a plan and there is nothing in the way of achieving my academic goals. For that I thank you with all of my heart. I appreciate not only for what you’ve done for my family, but for all of the parents you are helping who are trying to make a better future for their families.”

—Michelle, Child Care Scholarship

The average cost of child care ranges from $200-$1,000 per month for just one child. For many of our students, this is a major deterrent to attending and completing college. In 2014, more than 440 eligible student-parents applied for our child care scholarships. This remains our area of greatest need and a focus of the Chemeketa Foundation since 1973. Education is important to the success and future of our student-parents and their families.
“After graduating from the automotive technology program, I plan to work on my transfer degree with the hope of one day working on law enforcement vehicles for the City of Salem. These scholarships have lightened my financial burden, which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school: learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.”

—Oscar, Auto Technology Obsolete Fleet Chevys Scholarship and Model A Ford Club-Willamette Valley Chapter Scholarship

The Willamette Valley Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America gives back to the community and provides assistance to students enrolled full-time in the Automotive Technology Program at Chemeketa. This award is for deserving students pursuing a degree or certificate.
“When I received this scholarship, I looked for articles regarding Nate’s accident and found much more than expected. Every article I found spoke to Nate’s great character, of his humility, his honesty, and determination to help those around him. For me, this scholarship is so much more than financial support. It inspires me to embrace each day and do my best to carry on his values and beliefs. I would like to thank Nate for his service and I hope to be his brother in the fire service one day.”

—Brian, Nathan Turner Memorial Scholarship

Nate Turner was a remarkable young man working as a firefighter and paramedic. His passion for service and calming presence made him a valuable team member and a thoughtful caregiver. During his last five years, he volunteered with Medical Teams International, combining his wanderlust and stewardship to care for people affected by disaster, conflict and poverty around the world. After Nate’s tragic death from a climbing accident in 2011, his family and friends honored his love of life and commitment to service with a memorial scholarship supporting students in his name.
“I grew up in extreme poverty and am the first in my family to attend college. I am currently dual enrolled at Pacific University, pursuing an education degree. Once I’m finished with school, my dream is to open a school to create opportunities for children that are in poverty. I want every child to have the opportunity to become educated and follow their dreams.”

—Najma, Betty Gray Early Childhood Scholarship

John and Betty Gray strived to improve the quality of early childhood development by promoting the education of professionals working with children. This scholarship was made possible through grants since 2004 from the Betty Gray Early Childhood Development Endowment Fund at the Oregon Community Foundation.
Student Diversity

12,492 full-time student enrollment
48% are 25 and younger

56% of Chemeketa students are students of color.
Chemeketa is a college community enriched by the diversity of our students, staff and community members.

4 out of 10 students are first generation college students

Most popular colleges to transfer to:
- Oregon State University (OSU)
- Western Oregon University
- Portland State University
- University of Oregon
Academic Programs

Arts and Communication
Art
Communication
English
Film Arts
Foreign Languages
Humanities
Journalism
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Philosophy
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Writing

Business and Management
Accounting
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Health Sciences
Chiropractic*
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Health Information Management
Hemodialysis Technician
Massage Therapy*
Medical Assistant
Nursing
Nutrition and Food Management
Pharmacy
Physical Education and Human Performance
Pre-Professional Study (Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Veterinary)

Human Services and Social Sciences
Anthropology
Chicano/Latino Studies
Counseling and Guidance
Criminal Justice
Early Childhood Education
Economics
Fire Protection Technology
Geography
History
Human Services
Political Science
Psychology
Pre-Law
Social Science
Sociology
Speech-Language Pathology Assistant
Women’s Studies

Industrial and Engineering Technology
Apprenticeship Trades
Automotive Technology
Computer Information Systems
Computer Science
Drafting Technology
Electronics Technologies
Engineering
Machining Technology
Occupational Skills Training
Welding

Mathematics, Science and Natural Resources
Agribusiness Management
Biology
Chemistry
Geology
Mathematics
Oceanography
Physics
Wine Studies

* Programs of other colleges located at Chemeketa.

“This scholarship gives me an opportunity to learn skills that will serve the community following graduation, and helps me become even more of a role model for my children. Thank you for your generosity. Without scholarships, students like me would be unable to pursue their dreams.”

—Chanelle, Child Care Scholarship
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“Being the oldest of four children and coming from a single parent household, this scholarship means a lot to me. Not only am I the first in my family to go to college, I am the first in my family to graduate high school. Being accepted into the highly-competitive dental assisting program at Chemeketa is a dream come true, but affording tuition and additional program fees was a challenge. I am extremely grateful for the scholarships I received and the donors who allowed my education to be possible.”

—Desiree, Marion Polk Dental Society Scholarship and Julie Tylosky Memorial Scholarship
40 years of transformed lives

In 1973 a small group of community members joined together, offering small loans to support student-parents trying to earn their degree. Forty years later, the Chemeketa Foundation has evolved to support hundreds of students each year through more than 100 unique scholarship funds and awards. From its inception, the Foundation’s budget has grown from $3,000 to awarding more than $400,000 each year.

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Chemeketa’s community of caring

In 2014, the Chemeketa Foundation sought to gain 40 new monthly employee givers in 40 days for our 40th anniversary. More than 53 college employees signed up to support Chemeketa scholarships and student relief funds. We are honored to be a part of an organization who so generously invests in the lives of our students.
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“I personally feel that enabling student-parents to further their education, via child support, is a win/win for our community. Giving to the Chemeketa Foundation is a valuable way for our organization to pass along the support we receive from the community.”

—Jay Hansen, CJ Hansen Heating & Air Conditioning
“Our Willamette Valley Model A Club has been closely involved with Chemeketa Community College for decades. Over the years we have had instructors from the college in our club, we have had regular Model A workshops in their shops spaces, and we have conducted our annual Father’s day Swap meet at the College. This has been a wonderful relationship for many years, and our club has always felt a responsibility to return some of the good will the College has shown us. It has been more than 20 years that our club has offered an annual scholarship to a Chemeketa student in the automotive field. We believe our scholarship has helped many students in their quest for developing careers in the automotive industry. We have been extremely pleased with the success of our scholarship recipients, and we are proud to continue this tradition.”

—Timothy Fleming, 2015 President Willamette Valley Model A Club
“I chose to be a monthly sustaining donor for the foundation because it helps me remember the invaluable support I received as a community college student.”
—Joel Keebler, Director of Agricultural Sciences/Northwest Wine Studies Center, Chemeketa

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