A LETTER FROM
THE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

DEAR FRIENDS,

My name is Brenna Baucum and I’m pleased to serve as the President of the Chemeketa Community College Foundation as of January 2022. I’ve served on the board for nearly a decade and continue to find inspiration in the work of the college and foundation staff, the commitment of the students, and the heart of our donors. On behalf of the Foundation Board, I want to extend a sincere and heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who make Chemeketa the very special place that it is.

This excerpt from one of our students summarizes why this work is so important:

“Because I became a mom at such a young age, no one had any other expectation for me, other than to drop out of school and work paycheck to paycheck. I never thought of it that way. I felt like the odd one out. I always dreamed of going to college and looking further into my future. While I had a setback or two, it’s never too late to start something you have always dreamt of, as long as you’re determined.”

Education is a catalyst for change, and there’s no denying that without it, your options are limited. The grit, drive, and intrinsic motivation in our students never ceases to inspire. I suspect you feel the same way and share the commitment that we must continue creating opportunities like this in our community.

Students at Chemeketa are getting a world-class college experience. The best in Oregon, according to recent recognition from Edsmart, a national publisher of college resources and rankings. Working with the foundation staff, board, and the support of our donors, we were able to provide roughly $760,000 in scholarship, assistance, and program support in 2020-2021. That includes awarding 355 students with more than $480,000 in scholarships. Together, we make college possible. Together, we change lives.

Sincerely,

Brenna Baucum
Foundation Board President

The Chemeketa Foundation supports hundreds of students each year through more than 175 unique scholarship funds and awards. From its inception, the Foundation’s annual awards have grown from $3,000 to more than $700,000 in student scholarships and assistance funds.

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"I come from an impoverished multi-racial family of six. During my elementary school years, my family faced homelessness. While navigating the pandemic in the summer of 2020, my family lost everything we owned in the Beachy Creek Fire. Once again, we found ourselves homeless with no household goods, no keepsakes or personal things, and very few resources. This had a huge impact on our family. **Though these are hard times and we are facing huge obstacles, I have not stopped my pursuit of a quality education in order to attain my career and life goals.** Though we are still struggling to find a new home, my siblings and I are continuing our education at Chemeketa. I know that with this support from you and others, my family will surely persevere.

I am currently working toward an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree and plan to transfer to a four-year university. My focus is on criminal justice and mathematics. With these skills, I plan to pursue a career in forensic science. Being an individual experiencing significant poverty, this scholarship and other support I’ve received are enabling me to achieve a higher education and better myself and my family. So, I truly and deeply thank you for granting me this scholarship opportunity. I will use this resource that was given so generously to its fullest in furthering my education.”

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**GRETCHE N S. SCHUETTE STRENGTH IN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP**

In the interest of supporting Chemeketa values of diversity and college access, this scholarship was established by the Midland Area Community Foundation and the Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation with extensive funding and leadership from former Chemeketa President Gretchen Schuette. To date, this scholarship has helped more than 180 students pursue their dreams.
Chemeketa is a college community enriched by the diversity of our students, staff, and community members. We are proud that our students have the opportunity to learn from people of different backgrounds, experiences, preferences, life stages, and worldviews. During the 2020-2021 academic year, students attended Chemeketa from 38 countries. Below is a snapshot of the college’s student population.

In 2020-2021, 355 scholarships were awarded. In addition to scholarships, our food pantry provided personal items and groceries to students in need, and our emergency funds helped students stay enrolled in their courses when unexpected bills would have otherwise derailed their educational journeys. In total, more than 1,200 students were served by the food pantry and emergency funds. Below is a snapshot of the student populations who received our scholarships.
“My Great Grandma always told me to go to school and get a degree so I wouldn’t have to work as hard as they did. Immigrating from Portugal, they always wanted me to have more opportunities than they had. **It’s an incredible feeling to not only be the first person in my family to go to college, but to graduate with a degree.** When I first began taking college-level classes in high school, I wasn’t quite sure what I wanted to do. I was young, and all I cared about was making a lot of money. As I continued exploring options, I realized that more than anything, I wanted to be happy. I’ve always loved helping people, and the more I searched, I felt called to be an Emergency Responder.

Your scholarship is helping make that possible and will make a world of difference in my continuing education. This is my second year at Chemeketa, and I wasn’t sure how I was going to afford the paramedic program this year. This scholarship in Nate’s memory is allowing me to achieve that dream. Once I graduate this year, I will be starting my career in the fire service. On behalf of myself and my fiance, I want to thank you again for the Nate Turner Memorial Scholarship. This gift will reflect in everything I do and everyone I help.”
DOLLARS AND CENTS

The Chemeketa Foundation supports a wide range of student needs including scholarships for students in specific programs, student parents, first-generation college students, incarcerated students, and emergency student relief funds like the food pantry at the Salem and Yamhill campuses.

GIFTS BY DESIGNATION

- MAJOR GIFTS 41%
- SCHOLARSHIPS AND PROGRAM SUPPORT 39%
- IN-KIND GIFTS 15%
- UNRESTRICTED GIFTS 4%
- ESTATE/BEQUESTS 1%

10 NEW SCHOLARSHIPS CREATED IN 2021

SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Contributions and bequests $1,000,935
  Without donor restriction $48,939
  With donor restriction $951,996
In-kind donations of equipment $178,727

EXPENSES

Scholarships, student assistance, program support $760,808

FOUNDATION FINANCIALS 2020-2021

$760,808 AMOUNT AWARDED IN STUDENT AND PROGRAM SUPPORT
355 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
$1,380 AVERAGE AWARD AMOUNT PER STUDENT
61% STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED FINANCIAL AID
500 INDIVIDUAL DONORS
$4,680 COST FOR FULL-TIME TUITION AND FEES IN 2020-2021

SColarship Investment Fund

The Foundation Board of Directors oversees scholarship and program investment funds.

SColarships Awarded

In 2021, just under 1,600 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships. We were able to award 355 scholarships thanks to the generosity of our donors.
Psychology is the most popular undergraduate program in the U.S., and with 22 (and counting) subdisciplines, jobs in both research and applied practice, and a growing global need, there’s never been a better time to be a psychology major!

It made sense to start a faculty-led scholarship program for our students, as a way of encouraging continued education in this important area of study but also as a way to let others in the Chemeketa community see what we see every day in our students. The psychology faculty are inspired and impressed by the goals, work ethic, compassion and commitment so often seen, felt and heard in our student ranks.”

“After high school, I spent about a year and a half abroad volunteering full-time with organizations supporting high-risk children and orphans. I spent over 10,000 hours volunteering, and I realized I had a passion for supporting children and helping them be the best little people that they can be. In my current role as a full-time assistant preschool teacher, my favorite part of my job is getting to connect one-on-one with kids, helping to inspire a sense of wonder in them, and making them laugh. My plan is to use this psychology degree to do nature therapy with young children. Going back to school during the pandemic has been a challenge, to say the least. The financial relief that this scholarship is providing is a huge incentive to keep working hard and to never lose motivation.”

PSYCHOLOGY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

This fund is established by gifts from faculty of Chemeketa’s Psychology Program in honor of the inspiring and impressive work ethic, compassion, and commitment of the students in their program. This scholarship supports second-year students pursuing a degree or certificate in Psychology.

KRIS POWERS
MA/INSTRUCTOR & CHAIR OF PSYCHOLOGY/EDUCATION, LANGUAGES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

KRIS

PSYCHOLOGY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

SARAH

DONOR PROFILE

DONOR

PROFILE
Chemeketa’s variety of academic programs allows students to find the path to fit their needs. Whether their goal is to finish their first two years of a bachelor’s degree, take career and technical training needed to qualify for a job, or finish their high school education—Chemeketa can propel students toward their future.
“When I decided to enroll at Chemeketa, I had a growing desire to not only continue my education, but to put myself on a better career path. As a father, I strive to provide for my family always, but also hope to consistently set a good example for my sons. For the longest time, I felt like I was on cruise-control. Clock in, do my job, clock out, play with the kids, eat dinner, sleep, repeat. I was extremely grateful for my reliable employment and wonderful home life, but I was lacking that joy, inspiration, and excitement in the workplace. I’d had an extensive background in customer service and years of experience as a Licensed Real Estate Agent, but neither field challenged me fully. After a while, I finally began to feel that urge to pursue something different.

Last Fall, I decided to jump in with both feet and enroll into the Building Inspector program here at Chemeketa. After completing my first year in the program, I now have a renewed desire to achieve, excel and evolve within this exciting, new career path. It also makes me proud of the example I’m setting for my children and the amazing opportunities that lie ahead. As a full-time employee with the City of Wilsonville, a full-time student, the husband of a wife who works part-time, and father of two young boys, this scholarship means everything to me. Thank you.”

JOEL

BOB’S 19-CENT HAMBURGERS SCHOLARSHIP

Robert Corey, entrepreneur and founder of Bob’s Secret Sauce and Bob’s 19-Cent Hamburgers, established this scholarship in 2006 to encourage education in the community. Since that time, 27 students have been awarded scholarships through this endowed scholarship fund. Bob turned 101 in 2021, and continues to be an active supporter of the work of the Foundation.
Below is a list of funds that have been established to provide ongoing support to students in perpetuity through an invested or endowed scholarship fund. This list represents the donors who established these funds and does not include the many many more who have given in support of these life-changing scholarships.

ADELMAN SCHOLARSHIP
ESTABLISHED BY RICK ADELMAN

Baltimore Career & Technical SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY JIM & CATHERINE BALTIMORE

Barbara C. Coc Krell Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY, CHÉMEKETA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Betsy Belshaw Nursing SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY AN ANONYMOUS DONOR

Betty O’Brian Wine Studies Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY WILLAMETTE VALLEY VINEYARDS

Bob’s 19-CENT Hamburgers SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ROBERT COREY

Bodtker SC Inc SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY DIANA & ECON BODTKER

Bryce Bagnall & SoB (Supporters of Bryce) SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MARCIA BAGNALL AND SUPPORTERS OF BRYCE

Charles L & Loretta K. Isom Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY Loretta Isom

Charles Langdon & Herta Wroton SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY HERTA WROTON

Chémeketa - Western Oregon Transfer Degree SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY HERTA WROTON

Chémeketa - Western Oregon Foundation SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY Howard Wroton

Chémeketa - Western Oregon Foundation SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY EDWIN & Judith Swenson

E. Pat Smith CTE SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY E. Pat Smith

Edward & Mary Jane Phelps SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY EDWARD & MARY JANE PHPELS

Eileen Simpson Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY EILEEN SIMPSON

ERATH MATC HING Viticulture SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ERATH FAMILY FOUNDATION

FC Corrick Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY LINDA CORRICK

Frank & Evelyn Schmid Family Foundation SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY Frank & Evelyn Schmid Family Foundation

George Puentes J R Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OREGON LATINOS (SOL)

Gregory Winkelang Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY KIRSTY WINKELAND

Gretna HEN Sc Huette Strength in Diversity SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MIDLAND AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND THE Rollin M. GERTACKER FOUNDATION

Gretna HEN Sc Huette Art Gallery Endowment Fund
ESTABLISHED BY GRETNEN SCHUETTE

Gretna HEN Sc Huette Leadership Award
ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Harry D. Haley Fund
ESTABLISHED BY DAVE AND LUCY HALEY

Herrera Latinx Legacy SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY LINDA HERRERA

Huc KeStein Education SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY JULIE & Jim HUCKSTEIN

J Ames G. Myers SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY PAT MYERS

J Anet Carlson Reentry SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF JANET CARLSON

J Anet E. & Theodore K. Urton Mental Health SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY THEODORE & JANET URTON

J Avens Legacy SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF MERLYN & ELIZABETH JAVENS

J Anette Rustin Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF JEANETTE RUSTIN

J Epson Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY LEE JEPSEN

J erry Berger Presidential SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY JERRY & VICKI BERGER

Jill LeBlanc Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY RON LEBLANC

John G. & Edith Canfield Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY JOHN G CANFIELD

Joshua Paul English Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY GLORIA ENGLISH-BENNITT & GORDON ENGLISH

Library Collection Endowment Fund
ESTABLISHED BY ESTELLE BERGSTROM LEONG

Mell & Eva Schwartz SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MELVIN & EVA SCHWARTZ

Nate Turner Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Newport Family Leadership Award SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY DON NEWPORT

Northwest Automotive Traders Association (NATA) of Salem SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY NORTHWEST AUTOMOTIVE TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Patty Pillmeier Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ROB PILMIEIER

Returning Student SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY LAURA LESTER CRANSTON

Rob & Chele Dickerson Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY DICKERSON FAMILY, SALEM PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 314

Robert & EVA Carter Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY EVA CARTER

Robert Mobley Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY WIREA MOBLEY

Sid A. Brown Procurement & Supply Chain Management SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY OREGON MID-VALLEY PURCHASING & SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

Sterett Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF FREDERICK & ERNESTINE STERETT

Strauhan Family SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MARVIN RAY STRAUHAN TRUST

Sue West Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF SUE WEST TERRA HALL FAMILY SC SCHOLARSHIP
ESTABLISHED BY TERRA HALL

Tessie & Robert Adams and Ann & Leroy Roberts Presidential SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY CHERL ROBERTS & MILLER ADAMS

Trumbo/ Lowell Family SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MARK & JENNIFER LOWE TRUMBO

Urton Family Re-entry SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY THEODORE & JANET URTON

Vásquez-Cooper SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY SHERIFF LEE VÁSQUEZ, RET., AND ERMA S. VÁSQUEZ

Willamette Valley Medical Center SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY WILLAMETTE VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER

Yamhill Valley - Larry Nesland Memorial SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY THE YAMHILL VALLEY CAMPUS

Young Family SC Scholarship
ESTABLISHED BY MARK YOUNG & MARY YOUNG

To read descriptions of these funds, visit chémekeata.thankyou4caring.org/scholarship-list

Our goal is to recognize all of our donors and funds accurately. Please call 503.365.4747 TO CORRECT ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS.
“I couldn’t be more grateful to have received this scholarship. I migrated to the United States from the Philippines in 2017 and faced many challenges. I never imagined myself being able to do anything, even something as simple as learning English. Still, I had always wanted to be part of the science field. I’ve always had questions that science never failed to give me the answers to. Now, I am in my second and final year at Chemeketa and will be graduating in June. I will continue my education at Western Oregon University where I will major in microbiology.

To be chosen out of all the amazing candidates is a blessing. I know Carol previously lived in the Philippines, which is pretty awesome to feel that connection. If it wasn’t for the support from Paul and Carol, I would have ended up in the streets last year. It was a really tough year for me in terms of housing, and I’m just so grateful that you read my story, that you chose to help me, and that you gave me another reason to continue my education. Growing up as an orphan is not easy, and by awarding me this scholarship, somehow you made me feel fostered. From the bottom of my heart, thank you so much Paul and Carol Manka.”
You, our donors, are the reason we are changing lives. You are providing access to a high quality, life-changing education. We see new opportunities to help students each day, and through your continued generosity, we are able to help more students every year. The opportunities to support the college are numerous and range from providing scholarships to emergency assistance like our student relief and food pantry funds. We hope you find inspiration and validation in the stories within this report. These are lives that are impacted because you have helped make college possible.

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TED URTON
Ted and Janet Urton established two scholarship funds in support of students: one to assist those struggling with mental health, and the other for formerly incarcerated students re-entering college upon release. Before his passing, Ted served on the Chemeketa Foundation Board of Directors from 2002 – 2012; during that time, he served as President and Vice President. Janet continues to support students through their impactful scholarships.

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We are sorry to have lost these beloved friends and supporters of the Chemeketa Foundation in 2021.

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TERRY LAMBETH
Terry and Ray Lambeth have been longtime supporters of our College Inside Corrections Education Program to offer incarcerated students a better path forward. Upon Terry’s passing, Ray has committed to continuing to support this program in his wife’s memory.

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