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2017 ANNUAL REPORT

CCCS Closes Campaign With Over \$26 Million Raised For Scholarships

In June of 2017, the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) concluded its four-year scholarship fundraising campaign. The *Campaign for Colorado Community Colleges* generated \$26,454,336 for student scholarships at the 13 CCCS colleges.

"The culmination of this scholarship campaign is one of the most meaningful events in my 13-year tenure as CCCS president because thousands of students who might otherwise have been unable to attend college have access to higher education as a result of our generous donors," said Dr. Nancy McCallin, CCCS President. "Throughout the campaign the great work that we do in providing quality educational opportunities was shared countless times and reached more people than ever. I am grateful for the many individuals and organizations who donated to help our students achieve more."

When the campaign began in January 2013, the Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges set an ambitious goal to raise \$10 million for scholarships. In partnership with the 13 CCCS college foundations, we secured gifts from individuals, foundations, and corporations across the state.

"We're proud the Colorado Community College System reached and far exceeded its monumental goal of raising \$10 million in scholarship funds," said Roland Lyon, President of Kaiser Permanente Colorado. "As a supporter of this campaign from the start, we know this is about more than raising funds—this campaign will forever change the lives of thousands of talented students."

The scholarship campaign further sparked philanthropic investment in CCCS colleges. Beyond the funds raised for scholarships, an additional \$10.4 million was raised for a wide range of academic programs, several capital projects, investments in faculty and teaching, and other critical initiatives for CCCS colleges. With a combined total of \$36.8 million raised, the impact of the campaign will be felt far into the future.

COLORADO HEALTH FOUNDATION GRANT PROVIDES TRAINING

For years, college staff have recognized the connection between the mental health of students and their ability to succeed academically. Through a commitment of \$198,591 from the Colorado Health Foundation, the Colorado Community College System is seeking to improve student success and well-being by providing training to all faculty, staff, and adjunct instructors at all 13 CCCS colleges.

Our colleges serve a diverse student body and many of our students experience a number of stressors that can take a toll on their mental health. Training specifically designed to help faculty and staff identify students who may be struggling with mental health issues will prepare

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those on the front line to support our students more effectively through early intervention and coordinated response strategies.

Through the Foundation's grant, faculty, staff, and adjunct instructors will be empowered to support students in managing their mental health. Training sessions will cover topics including an overview of mental health issues, identifying students in crisis, and early intervention and referral strategies. The grant will also support the deployment of online modules for new employee orientation and annual refresher training.



Delta Dental Of Colorado Invests In Dental Hygiene Programs

In March of 2017, Delta Dental of Colorado CEO Helen Drexler announced a \$1.5 million gift to the Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges. This gift will advance CCCS dental hygiene programs by providing student scholarships, faculty support, and funding for state of the art equipment.

CCCS offers dental hygiene programs at Colorado Northwestern Community College in Rangely, Community College of Denver (CCD), and Pueblo Community College (PCC). All three colleges offer Associate of Applied Science degree programs in Dental Hygiene. CCD and PCC also offer Bachelor of Applied Science degree programs in Dental Hygiene.



The gift from Delta Dental of Colorado aims to advance the field of dental hygiene in Colorado by: attracting and retaining top faculty to work in high-quality educational facilities and programs; ensuring programs have current equipment, technology and supplies to foster a learning environment centered on evidence-based dental care; and providing scholarships for dental hygiene students, prioritizing students who are committed to career paths in public health or community clinics, education, and/or rural communities.

“We are proud to invest in these dental hygiene programs that play such a key role in developing future public health leaders,” said Drexler. “Working with CCCS, we feel we can make a tremendous impact preparing students for careers in dental hygiene, especially in rural and underserved communities.”

Adam Cermak, Executive Director of the Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges, said, “This generous gift from Delta Dental of Colorado will greatly enhance our dental hygiene programs. It will strategically advance the field of dental hygiene and help to build our workforce throughout the state.”

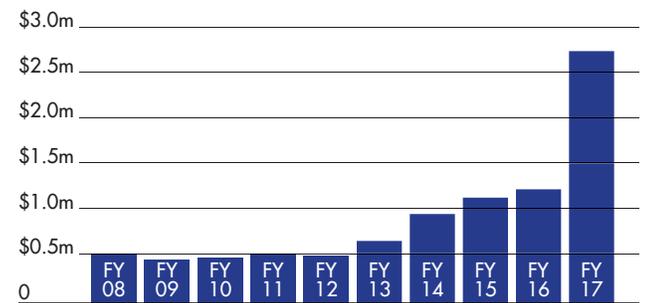
ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges advances the mission, vision, goals, and objectives of the Colorado Community College System. Specifically, the Foundation actively seeks contributions from public and private sources to make scholarships available statewide and to advance key programmatic initiatives. The Foundation also provides ongoing support, professional development, and coaching to the 13 CCCS college foundations.

Portfolio Performance

As of June 30, 2017, the Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges’ investment portfolio was valued at \$2,734,462. The investment portfolio represents a combination of endowed funds (totaling \$2,177,115) and the Foundation’s reserve account (totaling \$557,347). Through a combination of additional gifts and appreciation, the portfolio grew by \$1,531,027 over fiscal year 2017.

Portfolio Market Value



Foundation Expenses

The Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges takes pride in the responsible stewardship of funds raised and strives to limit administrative and fundraising expenses to direct as much as possible to programs that advance the CCCS mission.

93% Program 5% Administration 2% Fundraising



A MESSAGE OF THANKS

This past year, the Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges celebrated a record-breaking fundraising year, securing in excess of \$3.1 million for CCCS priorities. Looking back on this momentous year, it is clear that these achievements would not have been possible without our generous donors. Thank you for your support, which has enabled the Foundation to increase its impact and proactively respond to the evolving needs of our students, colleges, and communities.

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