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ONE AMAZING
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TEACHERS,
SCHOLARS,
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for Colorado Community Colleges


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COLORADO COMMUNITY COLLEGES

THIS HAS BEEN A YEAR LIKE NO OTHER FOR A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS, TEACHERS, LEADERS AND PARTNERS.

We are so proud of the work being done at each of our campuses, where heroes emerge every day in ways big and small. We have celebrated community partners who have given generously of their resources to boost scholarships, curriculum and opportunities for our students. We have seen our colleges unveil incredible new learning facilities and campus improvements and we have been thrilled to win approval for our colleges to offer a limited number of four-year baccalaureate degrees. And of course,

we have watched as our students apply their skills and their passions to jobs throughout our community, transforming the world they live in and giving back in a multitude of ways. This year feels like a launch pad for even more amazing things to come in the future. We are stronger than ever, a more valued resource than at any other time, and poised to offer even more to the people who depend on us for outstanding educations and a talented workforce. We are a community like no other. And this past year is proof of that. 

OUR THANKS to those in our community who have given generously of their time and their resources. These behind-the-scenes heroes allow us to thrive, grow and meet new demands for our students and our workforce.

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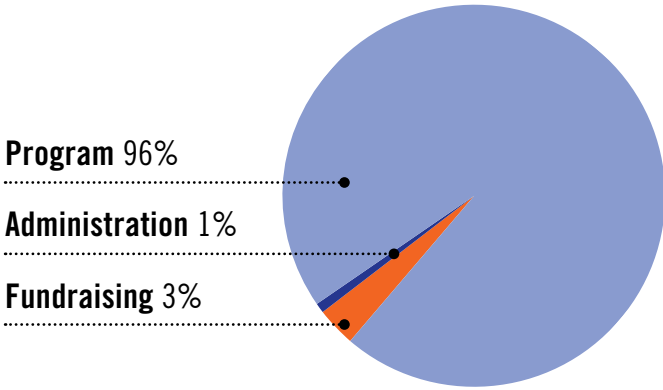
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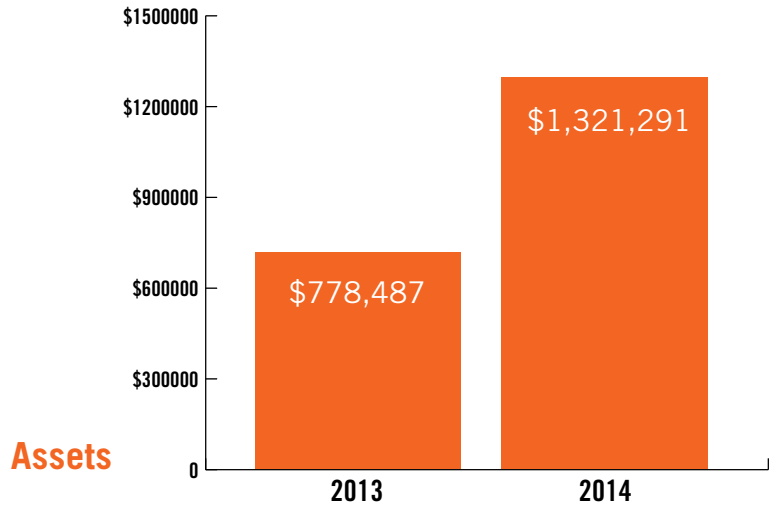
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“We at the Credit Union of Colorado support community colleges because we know access to higher education opportunities drives economic success across our state. We are proud to help students in Colorado improve their own lives and make their communities stronger.” — Doug Schneider



A COMMUNITY ENCIRCLED BY GENEROSITY.

In 2013, we introduced *Communities Count Giving Circles* as an engaging way for individual donors to be part of the amazing work community colleges do every day. The support received from these donors enables the Foundation to launch programs and initiatives that will help students, improve teaching and maintain 35 spectacular learning environments at 13 colleges.

Two founding members of our Giving Circles are Doug Schneider, Vice President of Marketing at Credit Union of Colorado and a valued member of the Foundation Board, and Terry Leis, CEO of Credit Union of Colorado. Not only has their company been a

long-time scholarship donor and sponsor of the Foundation, but these two individuals have chosen to join the Communities Count Giving Circles with generous leadership gifts.

The impact of their giving will have a ripple effect on campuses across our state. 🔥



WE'RE UP TO THE CHALLENGE OF HELPING MORE STUDENTS SUCCEED

The Campaign for Colorado Community Colleges

The need for scholarships and financial assistance has increased dramatically in recent years as students pay more for education due to tuition increases and public funding decreases. Our \$10M *Campaign for Colorado Community Colleges* scholarship campaign is designed to dramatically increase the number and size of scholarships we are able to award our students. With almost half our students living in poverty, these scholarships frequently function as a lifeline, enabling students to enroll and continue their studies. This

is designed as a challenge campaign—The Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges will raise the first \$5 million and the colleges will raise the next \$5 million from local donors. Together, we will create a statewide network of donors and a stronger community of support. We are more than halfway toward the goal and thousands of scholarships have already been awarded. 🍁

A HEALTHY PARTNERSHIP

Colorado's community colleges train more than half the state's nurses and 90 percent of its first responders. So Kaiser Permanente has a vested interest in making sure our students grow, are successful, and meet the state's workforce needs. Kaiser Permanente has invested \$1.5 million to be awarded as scholarships to students in health science programs over the next three years. It will benefit students earning physical assistant, dental hygienist, nursing, paramedic, addiction counseling and health information technology degrees, among others.

"The Colorado Community College System is a key player in workforce development," said Donna Lynne, DrPH, President of Kaiser Permanente Colorado. "Your graduates are the educated, skilled workers our business community needs. We are thrilled to partner with you to ensure more students are able to enter the healthcare workforce and make a difference in the communities where they live and work."

With ongoing reductions in state funding, community colleges rely more and more on a diverse group of partners within their communities. Structured as a challenge gift, Kaiser Permanente investment will be matched dollar for dollar by donors in their communities. 🍁

