







CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

The year 2024-25 was momentous for all of us in the Chemeketa community. Voters in our tri-county district passed the college's \$140M bond measure, which will positively impact an entirely new generation of students by upgrading facilities and ensuring our academic and workforce programming is cutting-edge and future-focused. I am proud and humbled to say that our Foundation Board provided significant support for the effort, understanding that – like student scholarships – this bond will make a critical difference in meeting the college's mission to transform lives.

I believe that Chemeketa is a reflection of its giving community. We continue to push forward in providing for those who are the most vulnerable, innovating to improve student outcomes, and creating new pathways to help students achieve their goals. We now host a "benefits navigator" on campus to help students access a wide variety of community resources; integrate corequisite math and writing supports to accelerate student progress in their critical first year with us; and improve the student experience through sophisticated case management tools. In addition, we will soon open a new Bachelor of Science in Nursing program (2026), providing an affordable, accessible way to grow opportunity for local nursing students while addressing a critical workforce need in our community.

COLLEGE POSSIBLE

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.

Our biggest concern continues to be for the well-being of our students. Federal changes have resulted in some losing access to basic needs support and educational opportunities, while the costs of childcare, food, housing, and transportation continue to increase for all. Thankfully, with your support, students are still able to access emergency funding, providing a critical resource so they can continue with their studies. Their future is inextricably linked to their ability to stay engaged in college, and, especially during these uncertain times, your support makes the critical difference.

Thank you for making Chemeketa students a part of your caring community. Thank you for helping make Chemeketa a place where students can continue to succeed and thrive.



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Jessica Howard, Ph.D.
PRESIDENT/CEO | CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE





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## STUDENT PROFILE | CATEY

ver the past three years, my family faced many difficulties. In 2021, my husband fell gravely ill due to an undiagnosed blood disorder, causing catastrophic damage to his health. During the summer of 2024, he became severely ill again, requiring emergency surgery due to a serious infection. I was contemplating taking a leave of absence from school to support my family financially. The impact scholarships have had on my education and prospects is immeasurable, and this scholarship has been a lifeline during an incredibly challenging time.

When I initially entered the Chemeketa community, I found myself placed remarkably low in math. Despite feeling disheartened at the outset, I recognized the importance of mastering mathematics for my future goal of becoming a Nurse Practitioner. I diligently tackled each concept, progressing through the series and overcoming my learning disorder. This year, I proudly served as a peer tutor at Chemeketa across several subject areas, including math, biology, psychology, philosophy, and technical writing; supporting peers who, like me, needed to confront their own math-related barriers and learning hurdles. This has been a significant milestone within my broader journey at Chemeketa and signifies not only personal triumph, but also a commitment to helping others navigate similar challenges."

#### FAMILY FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

This privately funded scholarship provides students the opportunity to change their future through education and is given to students needing to learn or renew skills in order to enter or reenter the workforce or continue an education that was interrupted by the birth of a child.

# OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

More than fifty years ago, a dedicated group of community members came together to support young parents in our area who were attempting to better their circumstances through higher education. While we have seen our community evolve and grow considerably over the last several decades, many of our student needs remain the same. Chemeketa Community College is enriched by the diversity of our students, staff, and community, and the Foundation is proud to serve those from every walk of life. Below is a snapshot of Chemeketa's student population that received scholarship awards during the 2024-2025 academic year. In addition to the 350 scholarships awarded, more than 1,000 students were served by our campus food pantries, emergency funds, and support networks.

## FIRST GENERATION **COLLEGE STUDENTS**

**COLLEGE 33% RECIPIENT 75%** 

**STUDENTS** OF COLOR

**COLLEGE 43% RECIPIENT 53%** 

AGE OOLLEGE 41% RECIPIENT 59% **AND OLDER** 

## **STUDENT-PARENTS NEEDING CHILDCARE**

**COLLEGE 14% RECIPIENT 30%** 



**RATIO OF FIRST-GENERATION** STUDENTS 1 OUT OF 3

**FULL-TIME STUDENT ENROLLMENT** 

## **RECIPIENTS SEEKING A**

DEGREE 315 CERTIFICATE 34

# FOUNDATION EVENT SPONSORS

Every year, we proudly partner with college programs to celebrate our students, communities, and generous supporters. The annual STARS Reception gives students and donors a chance to share experiences and celebrate achievements—an event filled with laughter, praise, and joyful tears. If you haven't attended, watch for expanded seating and availability as we grow this meaningful tradition. In May 2024, the Woodburn Cinco De Mayo Celebration brought our community together for a weekend of fun, food, and cultural pride, with an estimated 12,500 quests and nearly \$30,000 raised for scholarships. Also in 2024, the college hosted its first Theatre Under the Stars production of Oliver!, at the Gerry Frank Amphitheater,

showcasing our talented students and community members.

We thank our generous sponsors and donors whose support continues to enrich our communities.

## **STARS** RECEPTION

MAY 17, 2024

#### **GOLD STAR SPONSOR**

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#### **SILVER STAR SPONSORS**

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UNIVISION

## **WOODBURN CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION**

MAY 3-5, 2024

#### **PRESENTING SPONSOR**

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## COMMUNITY SPONSORS

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### THEATRE UNDER THE STARS- OLIVER!

**EVERY TUESDAY IN AUGUST** 

#### **MAIN STAGE SPONSORS**

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**SNOW FAMILY FUND (OCF)** 

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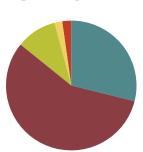


# DOLLARS & CENTS

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**

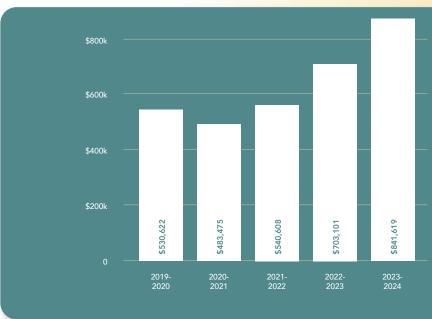


- SCHOLARSHIPS AND PROGRAM SUPPORT **29%**
- MAJOR GIFTS **57%**
- IN-KIND GIFTS 10%
- UNRESTRICTED GIFTS 2%
- ESTATE/BEQUESTS **2%**

## \$8,000,000 \$6,000,000 \$4,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$ 7,391,393 \$ 8,395,207 2019-2020 2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024

# SOHOLARSHIP

The Foundation Board of Directors oversees scholarship and program investment funds



## SCHOLARSHIPS **AWARDED**

In 2024, just under 1,600 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships. We were able to award 350 scholarships thanks to the generosity of our donors.

## FOUNDATION FINANCIALS 2023-2024

## **SUPPORT AND REVENUE**

CONTRIBUTIONS AND BEQUESTS	\$979,821
WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTION	\$24,833
WITH DONOR RESTRICTION	\$954,988
IN-KIND DONATIONS OF EQUIPMENT	\$62,628

## **EXPENSES**

SCHOLARSHIPS, STUDENT ASSISTANCE, PROGRAM SUPPORT \$1,148,880 \$841,619

AMOUNT AWARDED IN STUDENT AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

> STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED FINANCIAL AID

350

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

500

INDIVIDUAL **DONORS** 

\$2,404

AVERAGE AWARD AMOUNT PER STUDENT

**COST FOR FULL-TIME TUITION** AND FEES IN 2023-2024



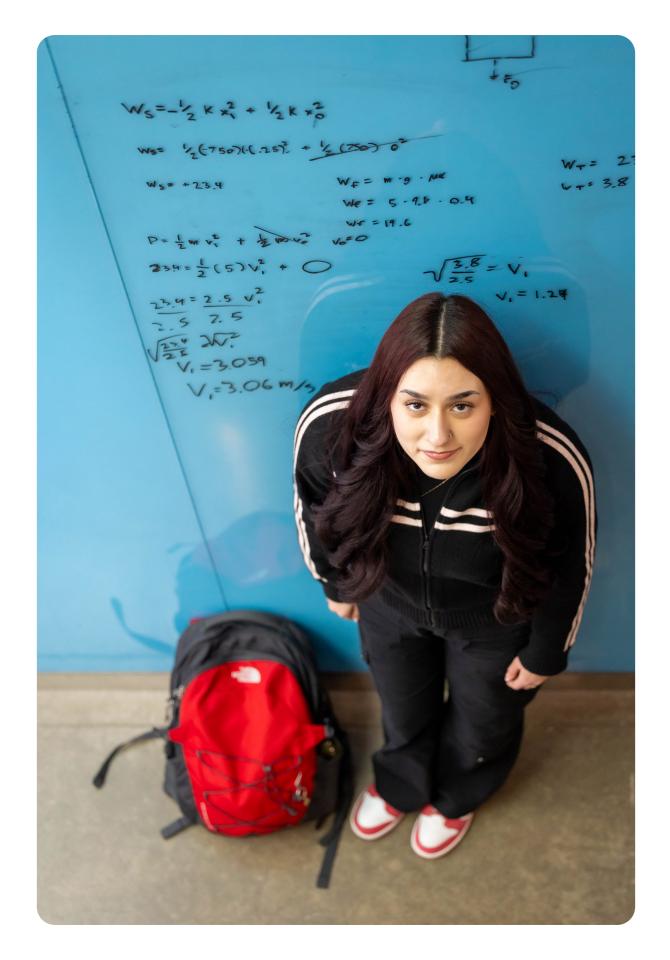
rom a young age, my parents would tell me and my siblings to earn a college education so we could reach higher than the fields. I didn't really understand what they meant until I stepped foot in the fields. From the moment I felt the blueberry bushes rub on my hands under the extreme heat I knew I wanted something different. The endless opportunities out there have been my motivation toward creating opportunities for myself. I knew I would do whatever it took and work as hard as I could in order to pursue a college education.

I hesitated when considering studying architecture, out of fear of failure. Ultimately, I recognized it was my true passion and I understood that letting fear dictate my choices should not be an option. I reminded myself that with hard work and dedication, I am capable of accomplishing anything I set my mind to. From that point onward, I committed to following my passion for architecture wholeheartedly.

I am on track to finish my second year at Chemeketa and earn an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree. Then I plan to transfer to the University of Oregon and major in architecture. I want to design functioning buildings that serve the need for their users as well as ensure the highest level of safety and sustainability. This scholarship has meant that I am no longer kept up at night with the fear of not knowing how I'll provide the resources needed to become the great architect I hope to become."

#### **GREGORY WINELAND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

Established in loving memory of Gregory Wineland by his parents Hal and Kirsty Wineland, a retired Chemeketa employee and long-time supporter of Chemeketa students. This scholarship is awarded to second-year students studying architecture, seeking a transfer degree.



# CHEMEKETA

# **GUIDED PATHWAYS**

Within Chemeketa's Guided Pathways model, students connect with their advisor to select from one of seven program pathways. These carefully designed plans simplify decision-making and provide for more predictable schedules and targeted support to help students stay on track. Each pathway includes several tracks that lead to degrees, certificates, and/or transfer opportunities for students to reach their educational goals.











Agriculture

Apprenticeship

Automotive & Diesel

**Robotics** 

Welding

Wine Studies



Art

Communication

English

Languages

- American Sign Language
- Chinese
- French
- Japanese
- Russian
- Spanish

Music

Philosophy/Religious Studies

Visual Communications



Accounting

Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) in Leadership and Management

**Business Management** 

Hospitality

Office Administration & Technology



Early Childhood Education
Education

Social Sciences

- Anthropology
- Economics
- Geography
- History
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology



**Dental Assisting** 

Health & Human Performance

Health Information Management

**Human Services** 

**Medical Assisting** 

Nursing

Pharmacy Tech

Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA)

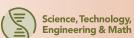


Emergency Services & Public Safety

Building Inspection
Criminal Justice,
Corrections &

Law Enforcement Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

Fire Protection



Computer Aided Drafting (CAD)

Computer Information Systems

**Computer Science** 

Electronics

Engineering

**Mathematics** 

Science

- Biology
- Chemistry
- GeologyPhysics

7 LOCATIONS

CAMPUSES
SALEM
YAMHILL VALLEY

CENTERS

BROOKS
EOLA
POLK
WOODBURN
CENTER FOR
BUSINESS AND
INDUSTRY

For a complete list and more information, visit go.chemeketa.edu/programs



# SECOND CHANCES

Pictured above is Katie Dwyer, Chemeketa's Director of Prison Education and Community Reentry, along with two former College Inside students, Joe and Dale, who enrolled at Chemeketa and earned their Bachelor of Applied Science in Leadership and Management Degree as part of the college's first bachelor degree cohort. They are a testament to the transformative power of education.

Chemeketa meets a vital need of rehabilitation for incarcerated individuals through education and workforce training programs that empower individuals and make our communities safer.

Our Prison Education and Community Reentry Program has five main components:

- Adult Basic Skills and Education, including English for Speakers of Other Languages and a GED program which helps hundreds of individuals reach this critical skill level each year
- An Automotive Entry Level Technician Certificate, which is tailored to prepare graduates for placement in well-paying jobs upon release
- College Inside offers two Associate Degree programs and enrolled over 120 students in the last academic year
- SOAR, Student Opportunity for Achieving Results, is a reentry and substance use disorder treatment program co-hosted with Marion County Parole and Probation and Marion County Health and Human Services
- A partnership with the WorkSource Oregon Reentry Program, providing pre-release employment preparation

Our program meets individuals where they are, from those needing the most basic literacy training to a pathway toward a healthy lifestyle with well-paying jobs. Numerous studies have shown that education in prison has a profound impact on reoffending, with a 43% reduction in individuals returning to prison according to the RAND Corporation. The faculty who offer these programs inside describe their students as driven and engaged learners who see this as a transformative opportunity and work hard as a result.

We believe we live out Chemeketa's Mission Statement every day by transforming lives and strengthening communities through quality education, services, and workforce training.

At Chemeketa's recent GED Graduation Ceremony at the Oregon State Correctional Institution, we heard from Gustavo, an adult in

custody ("AIC") of the Oregon Department of Corrections. He earned his bachelor's degree from Corbin University in 2024, and works hard as a peer tutor in Chemeketa's GED program. Below is an excerpt from his inspiring speech.

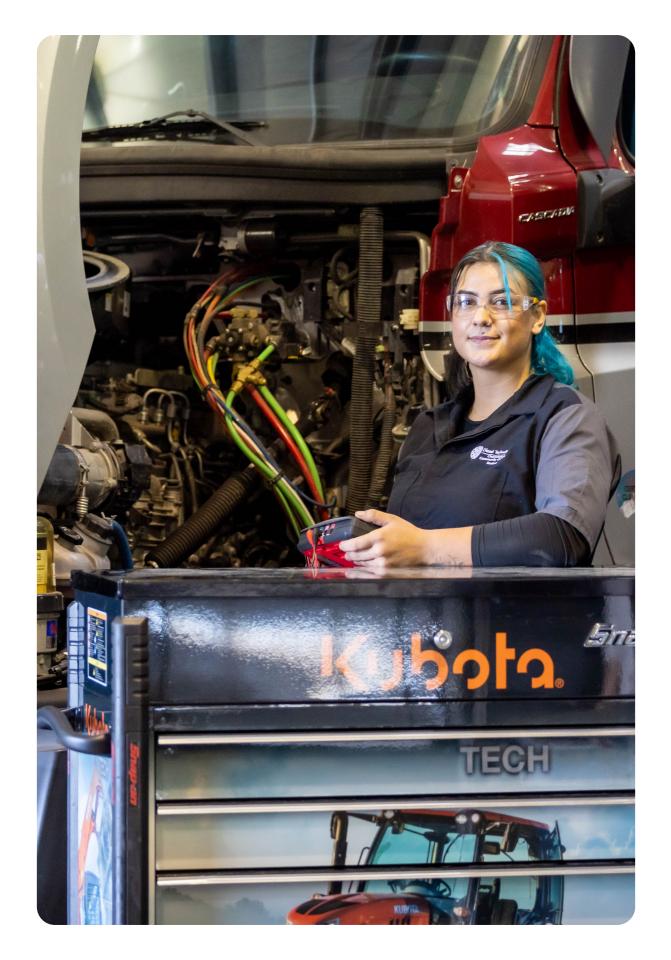
oday we gather to celebrate a great academic accomplishment in the lives of seven people. . . The journey for many of the graduates and tutors began before we came to prison. We come from many different places and have different backgrounds. Some of us are still young; others are more experienced. Somewhere along the line, we made terrible decisions that led us to come to prison. . . We were part of the problem in society, not the solution.

As a peer tutor, I have seen people who didn't want to come to school change their minds and people who thought they would never graduate get their diploma. This is where the transformation happens, through the daily interactions between teachers, tutors, and students. People connecting with other people in a positive learning environment. As peer tutors, we relate to other AICs through the challenges of incarceration. Sometimes tutoring sessions are not so much about the branches of government



or the quadratic formula, but about how to deal with cellmate issues or the loss of a family member. Teachers and peer tutors don't just help students get their GEDs. They help them see their value as human beings and realize their potential through education."

To make a contribution toward this transformational program, visit go.chemeketa.edu/donate and select College Inside.



## STUDENT PROFILE | ELAINA

grew up in the foster care system, and for a long time, life was about survival—just getting through each day. I did not have supporters in my corner. Being able to support myself without having to depend on anybody is my biggest motivation for getting a good education. When I decided to go to college, it wasn't just about getting an education; it was about breaking a cycle. But with that decision came a lot of fear; mainly about how I'd afford it. Coming from a very poor background and being a first generation college student means succeeding at all costs.

I'm studying to become a diesel mechanic. I spend most of my time in a shop where I'm usually the only woman. It's tough sometimes—being in a male-dominated space—but I've learned how strong I am. And honestly, I love it. I love working with my hands and proving, every single day, that I belong there.

Receiving a scholarship has been a significant source of motivation and encouragement. Knowing there are people who believe in my potential and are willing to invest in my future is incredibly inspiring. It drives me to work harder, strive for excellence, and make the most of the opportunities presented to me. I am committed to not only meeting but exceeding expectations. This is my first year in the program, and I am proud to say I have several certifications through the program and have already secured a job with a local trucking company. This scholarship opportunity has meant the world to me. Because of you, I'm not just chasing a career. I'm building a life I never thought I could have."

#### E. PAT SMITH CTE SCHOLARSHIP

This fund was established by E. Pat Smith, who retired from Chemeketa in 2012 from what is now known as the Center for Business & Industry. Her scholarship fund aims to support full-time, first-generation students pursuing career and technical education programs and who plan to enter directly into the workforce upon graduation.

# A LASTING IMPACT

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 SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY JIM & CATHERINE BALTIMORE

BARBARA COCKRELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY, CHEMEKETA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

BETSY BELSHAW NURSING SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY AN ANONYMOUS DONOR

BETTY O'BRIEN WINE STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY WILLAMETTE VALLEY VINEYARDS

BOB'S 19-CENT HAMBURGERS SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY ROBERT COREY

AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

**BODTKER SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP**ESTABLISHED BY DIANA & EGON BODTKER

BUILDING INSPECTION TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY CHEMEKETA FACULTY

BRYCE BAGNALL & SOB (SUPPORTERS OF BRYCE) SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY MARCIA BAGNALL AND SUPPORTERS OF BRYCE

CHARLES B. & LORETTA K. ISOM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY LORETTA ISOM

CHARLES LANGDON & HERTA WROTON SCHOLARSHIP

**ESTABLISHED BY HERTA WROTON** 

CHEMEKETA - WESTERN OREGON TRANSFER DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY GRETCHEN SCHUETTE, CARL & ESTHER GERSTACKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CLINT FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY JOHN & NANCY MCCLINTOCK, CLINT FOUNDATION

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DAN CHANDLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY, PRUDENTIAL REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS **DAVID SWENSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**ESTABLISHED BY EDWIN & JUDITH SWENSON

DAWN BEELER MARGES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY

E. PAT SMITH CTE SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY E. PAT SMITH

EDWARD & MARY JANE PHELPS SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY EDWARD & MARY JANE PHELPS

EILEEN SIMPSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY EILEEN SIMPSON

ERATH MATCHING VITICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY ERATH FAMILY FOUNDATION

FB CORRICK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY EDNA CORRICK

FRANK & EVELYN SCHMIDT FAMILY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY FRANK & EVELYN SCHMIDT FAMILY FOUNDATION

GEORGE PUENTES JR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OREGON LATINOS (SOL)

GREGORY WINELAND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY KIRSTY WINELAND

GRETCHEN S. SCHUETTE STRENGTH IN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY MIDLAND AREA

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND THE ROLLIN M. GERSTACKER FOUNDATION

GRETCHEN SCHUETTE ART GALLERY ENDOWMENT FUND

ESTABLISHED BY GRETCHEN SCHUETTE

**GRETCHEN SCHUETTE LEADERSHIP AWARD** ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY

HARRY D. HALEY FUND ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF HARRY HALEY

HERRERA LATINX LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY LINDA HERRERA

HUCKESTEIN EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY JULIE & JIM HUCKESTEIN

JAMES G. MYERS SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY PAT MYERS JANET CARLSON REENTRY SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF JANET CARLSON

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MENTAL HEALTH SCHOLARSHIP
ESTABLISHED BY THEODORE & JANET URTON

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JEANETTE RUSTIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

ESTABLISHED BY ESTATE OF JEANETTE RUSTIN

**JEPSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**ESTABLISHED BY LEE JEPSEN

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ESTABLISHED BY EVA CARTER

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STEVE LUND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY NANCY SAVONICK

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OUR GOAL IS TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF OUR DONORS AND FUNDS ACCURATELY. PLEASE CALL **503.365.4747** TO CORRECT ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS.

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come from a family living in homeless shelters, and staying with my uncle while my mom was away for months while working. I struggled throughout high school as I worked full time while trying to survive COVID and pass my classes. From a young age, I learned the hard lessons of life and listened rather than rebelled against them.

Chemistry lit the wick inside my heart. It made me feel happy and interested in learning, and that spark has carried itself to all other facets of my life. After completing my associate degree at Chemeketa, I plan to transfer to the University of Oregon for its wonderful chemistry programs and on-campus labs, and eventually earn my PhD in Chemistry. I lacked exposure to science and chemistry during my formative years. Consequently, I've had to exert extra effort to catch up. Through relentless hard work and determination, I've managed to excel and become the top performer in my college classes. I plan to make a difference in any way I can in chemistry, and I take pride in all my work. I am slowly carving my way to my dreams. This scholarship award lifts so much from my chest and allows me to focus on my passion for chemistry. No matter what challenge I face, I know I am able to overcome it and strive toward finding my place in this world."

#### TONY HOOBLER CHEMISTRY SCHOLARSHIP

Before his retirement, Tony Hoobler taught Chemistry at Chemeketa Community College for over 20 years and was a professor of Chemistry at Willamette University. This fund was established by a gift from Tony and Gudrun Hoobler to support students enrolled in STEM programs at Chemeketa.



# **DIFFERENCE MAKERS**

\* Denotes an in-kind donor

Thank you for supporting the Chemeketa Foundation as a way of making positive changes in our communities. Thank you for believing that education matters and that we all have a stake in the success of others — even those we have never met. Thank you for making college possible and changing lives!

#### **BENEFACTOR'S CIRCLE**

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