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Mission Statement

To support MCC's efforts to anticipate and address community needs through relationship cultivation and resource stewardship.



Words from our MCCF President

The Montcalm Community College Foundation (MCCF) works cooperatively with the college to envision brighter futures and develop funding to create enhanced opportunities for all in the surrounding area.

This year, the MCCF has continued to carry out the above mission even with the additional challenges COVID has presented. MCCF thanks and appreciates the many Heroes of Hope that have emerged during this time—students, staff, faculty, community members, and donors.

The MCCF is pleased to offer a variety of scholarships for students across a wide curricular area. These scholarships are generally presented and celebrated at an Annual Scholarship Celebration held in the fall. Scholarship recipients will be celebrated differently this year due to COVID guidelines, but donors and recipients will be honored. The opportunity for donors to connect with the recipients of their scholarships has always been noted to be a special experience for both donor and recipient.

Our 2020 Annual Campaign is themed Heroes of Hope and seeks to increase scholarship funds specifically.

The MCCF also helps fund unique learning opportunities and items that staff wish to provide for students and the community, but are not covered in the regular college budget.

The Montcalm Community College Foundation is proud to be a partner with Montcalm Community College in continuing to look forward to creating the best tomorrows for all — students, staff and community members. That is especially true this year as MCCF works to provide opportunities for all — helping create a better future that is so especially important during these COVID-challenged times.

We hope you enjoy our year in review, and we encourage you to partner with us as a Hero of Hope.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jane Anderson Beach'.

Jane Anderson Beach

Endowed Scholarship Funds

The Foundation deeply appreciates the individuals and families that committed to provide lasting hope to our students through an endowed scholarship fund.

MCC Board of Trustees Scholarship
MCCF Allen & Ellen Kohn Scholarship*
MCCF Allen E. & Janet A. Kohn Scholarship
MCCF Alumni & Friends Scholarship
MCCF Anna Hertz-McCoy Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Ardene (Diz) Oswald Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Beatrice & Manfred Doser Memorial Scholarship-Chemistry/Engineering
MCCF Beatrice & Manfred Doser Memorial Scholarship-Volunteerism
MCCF Beth Anderson Memorial Current or Returning Student Scholarship
MCCF Beth Anderson Memorial New Student Scholarship
MCCF Camille Widdifield Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Clifford J. Bedore Jr. Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Copp Family Scholarship
MCCF David W. Drake Scholarship*
MCCF Don & Emma Goodell Scholarship
MCCF Donald C. Burns Presidential Scholarship
MCCF Doris M. Arntz Scholarship
MCCF Dr. Gordon DeVries/Dr. Thomas Deurloo Scholarship
MCCF Duane W. & Georgia A. Bohne Scholarship
MCCF Edward Reddig Scholarship
MCCF Erika A. Walters Scholarship
MCCF Erin Kae Kitchenmaster Scholarship
MCCF Family of Michelle Mater Gibson Agricultural Scholarship
MCCF George & Janet Ravell Family Scholarship
MCCF Grace Anne Hatto-Adler Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Grace M. Sagendorf Scholarship
MCCF Harold & Ruth Force Family Scholarship
MCCF Herbert N. Stoutenburg Scholarship
MCCF Jan and Mike McCrackin Family/Harvey Milling Agriculture Scholarship

MCCF Jan & Mike McCrackin Family/
Irma McCrackin Memorial Nursing Scholarship
MCCF Josh Fish Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Judy K. DeVolder Nutt Scholarship
MCCF Karen Hansen Nursing Scholarship
MCCF Kenneth & Jacalyn Smith Scholarship
MCCF Kenneth J. & Gail E. Lehman Scholarship
MCCF Kenric Jones DeLong Service Scholarship: Kenny's
Community Cash
MCCF Kevin Carbonelli Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Leslie K. Morford Scholarship
MCCF Louise D. Buescher Scholarship
MCCF Maureen Burns Scholarship
MCCF MCC Education Support Personnel Association Scholarship
MCCF MCC Employee Endowed Scholarship
MCCF Merrill & Barbara Johnson Scholarship
MCCF Michael J. Seaman Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Mildred Farmer-Angwin Scholarship
MCCF Montcalm Democrats for Community Scholarship
MCCF Mr. & Mrs. John Hathaway Scholarship
MCCF Nancy Fox Scholarship
MCCF Nancy Steele Allen Edwards Memorial Nursing Scholarship
MCCF Robert E. Campbell Memorial Scholarship
MCCF Ruth Paddock Bedore Transfer Award
MCCF Stafford Family Scholarship
MCCF Stanley & Blanche Ash Scholarship
MCCF Travis L. Bingaman Memorial Scholarship
MCCF William & Harriette Cook Scholarship
MCCF General Scholarship Fund

* *Established since last report*

To learn how to create an endowed scholarship, contact **Lisa Lund**, *MCCF Executive Director*

HEALTHCARE heroes

MCCF Scholarship Recipients Reflections

What inspired your career?

Kristine: “I was inspired to pursue a nursing career after witnessing firsthand just how much nurses can impact one’s life for the better. In the winter of 2012, my father was diagnosed with brain cancer. Throughout his three-year battle I found myself wanting to be more like the nurses that were helping not only my dad, but my family, throughout the hardest years of our lives. I can’t wait to work as a nurse, with hopes of making an impact on the families I help, just how the nurses who helped my father impacted me.”

Jessica: “Over the past seven years, I worked as a social worker advocating for children who were victims of abuse and/or neglect. Seeing many of these children cared for by nurses, it fueled my passion and pursuit of the nursing profession. Nursing is a special career that allows you the opportunity to care for and support patients as they heal from illness and/or injury. I am excited to join this profession and continue serving others, specifically our most vulnerable or those who have experienced trauma.”

How did this scholarship impact the pursuit of your dream?

Kristine: “This scholarship impacted the pursuit of my dream to become an RN tremendously. Through this



Kristine Temerowski, left, and Jessica Johnson, are the 2020-2021 MCCF Nancy Steele Allen Edwards Memorial Nursing Scholarship recipients.

scholarship, I was able to take away the financial burden of the nursing program. This has been a huge stress reliever and has given me the opportunity to focus more of my time on school, rather than working full-time to pay for school. With the help of this scholarship, I am proud to say I have earned myself a spot on MCC’s honor’s list throughout all my nursing program semesters thus far. I’ll be working hard to do this again for my final two semesters in the program.”

Jessica: “This scholarship greatly impacted my life. It provided an opportunity to focus more on school and work less. Without this opportunity, being successful in the nursing program would have been a constant source of stress and worry. I am grateful every day that this scholarship has offered me the opportunity to pursue my dream of becoming an RN.”

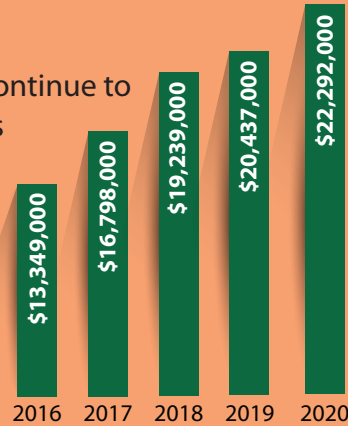
As an MCC student, how does “hope” help you?

Kristine: “Hope has helped guide me throughout not only my college career, but my life. Looking back three years ago, I would have never thought I would be where I’m at today. MCC and this scholarship have made a goal of mine, that seemed so impossible to reach, much easier to attain than I could have ever imagined. Hope has made me happy with where I am, and excited to see what I will continue to accomplish.”

Jessica: “As a college student hope is very important to me. Hope is that feeling of optimism. Without it, I would not be pursuing this career. As a future nurse, I recognized that hope is also a vital part of the healing journey for patients. It is because of hope that I strive to be better, work harder and give more.” ■

Assets

The MCC Foundation's assets continue to steadily increase. This growth is attributed to both donations and market performance. At right is a five-year data trend sourced from MCCF combined investment summaries, rounded to the nearest \$1,000.



By the Numbers
2019 - 2020

\$185,300
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



\$827
AVERAGE AWARDS AMOUNT



206
TOTAL AWARDS GIVEN

\$388,000

TOTAL AVAILABLE MCC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS AND AID (2019 - 2020)

Ellafrits Recognized for 25 Years of Service

MCC Foundation Directors extend their deep appreciation to Dick Ellafrits who in June stepped down from the Board at the conclusion of his elected term. Ellafrits became an MCCF Director in 2005 and served as treasurer since 2006. During his tenure, Ellafrits providing steadfast service leading to positive growth for the Foundation and its assets. Ellafrits was honored by his colleagues with MCCF Director Emeritus status. Succeeding Ellafrits is Josh Gibbs, who was elected as the incoming treasurer. Ellafrits and Gibbs worked closely together to create a smooth leadership transition.



Dick Ellafrits



Josh Gibbs

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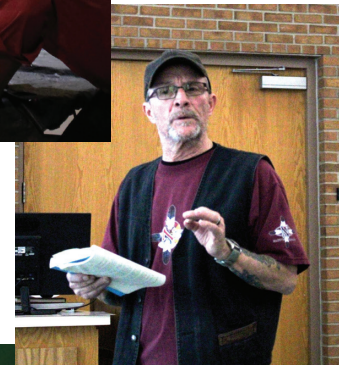
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2800 College Drive
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Ash Community College Enhancement Fund

Purpose: Help the college develop and enhance career training, educational opportunities, programs and services for the students, alumni and citizens of the college community; help the college maintain existing and future programs; develop and enhance those activities which shall benefit and enrich the lives of citizens through college programs; and support architectural improvements and beautification projects for the college campuses.



This fund supported several initiatives including the Early College program, new microscopes for classrooms, Creating Futures Consortium, and a new gymnasium sound system. Several in-person educational and cultural events were provided under the creative lead of college faculty as described on pages 26-27. These include Native American Month, Alumni and Friends Celtic Christmas Concert, "The Meeting," Historical Timeline Installations for Black History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March), and Women's History Month events.



This past spring, the Foundation provided \$5,000 in matching funds from the Ash Community College Enhancement Fund toward a Heritage Village project to install vinyl siding on the church building. The project was a great opportunity for the MCCF to collaborate to enhance this unique learning venue, as Heritage Village provides hands on education about Montcalm County's history and is located on the college's Sidney campus. Montcalm Heritage Village Committee President Shannon Kilduff said that the Foundation has supported similar Heritage Village preservation projects before. "Residing the church was determined to be a pressing need and this project will enable our community to enjoy and experience the building as part of the village experience for years to come," she said. ■

What's your legacy?

Have you ever thought about leaving a lasting legacy that will impact MCC and students for years to come? The MCC Foundation has a Legacy Society that recognizes individuals and families who have included MCC in their will or deferred giving plans. To learn more, visit montcalm.edu/legacy-society

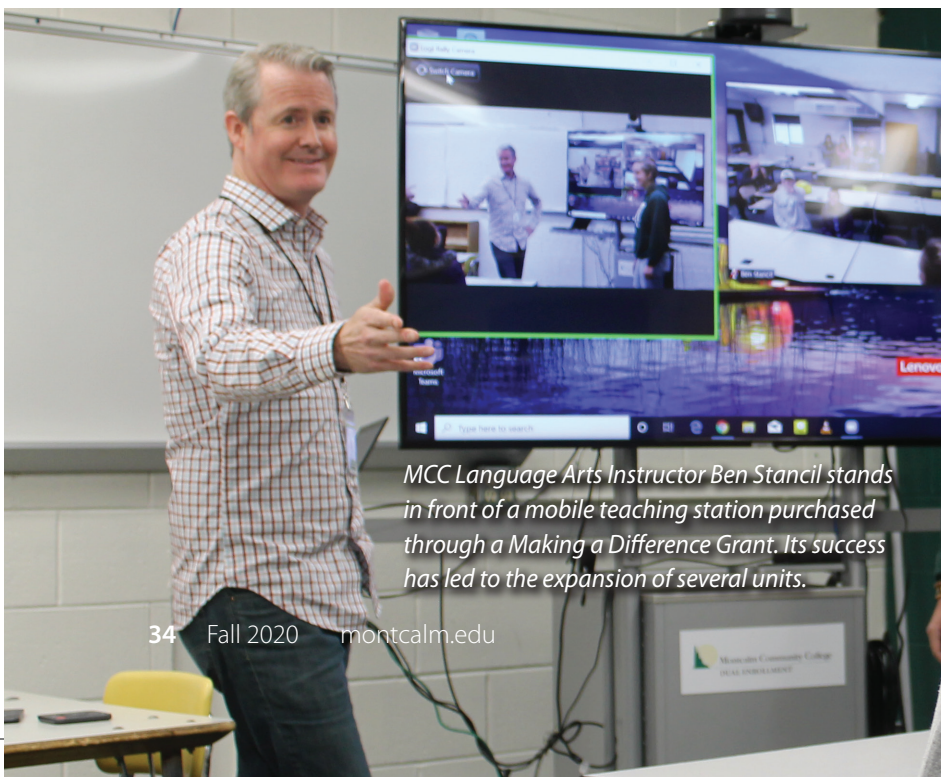
General Fund

Purpose: Support MCC learning activities, strategic initiatives, and community outreach.

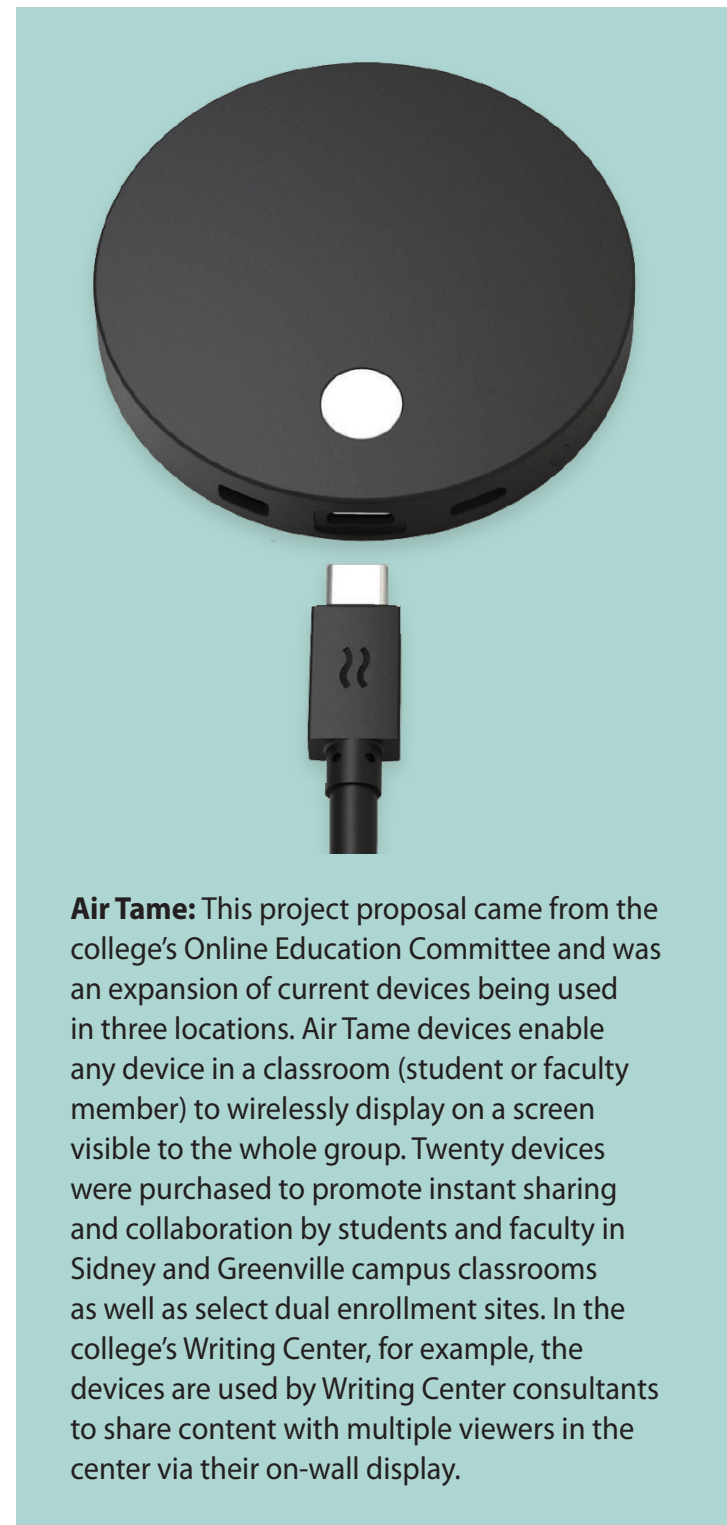
Making a Difference Grants

One general fund initiative is Making a Difference Grants. These grants support innovative teaching and learning as well as promote cultural, social, and economic programming. Five projects were funded in 2019-2020.

Mobile Teaching Station: This is an expansion of technology already being utilized successfully at the Sidney campus and dual enrollment locations. This grant purchased a mobile teaching station to provide virtual classes where students do not need to be present in the classroom. Remote learning experiences can reduce student learning barriers such as transportation or child care. "I am thankful that we got the mobile teaching station because it made it possible to still have my class when we had to move to a more spacious room for social distancing," said MCC Mathematics Instructor Brianne Lodholtz.



MCC Language Arts Instructor Ben Stancil stands in front of a mobile teaching station purchased through a Making a Difference Grant. Its success has led to the expansion of several units.



Air Tame: This project proposal came from the college's Online Education Committee and was an expansion of current devices being used in three locations. Air Tame devices enable any device in a classroom (student or faculty member) to wirelessly display on a screen visible to the whole group. Twenty devices were purchased to promote instant sharing and collaboration by students and faculty in Sidney and Greenville campus classrooms as well as select dual enrollment sites. In the college's Writing Center, for example, the devices are used by Writing Center consultants to share content with multiple viewers in the center via their on-wall display.



MCC Instructional Technology Consultant Kevin Wagenmaker demonstrates the technology used to deliver live online instruction remotely. The MCCF provided a Making a Difference Grant to help purchase this needed classroom equipment.

Saving Summer: Funds from this grant were used to enhance MCC funds to purchase systems to broadcast classes online so students can attend face-to-face classes from home. While intended to support Summer 2020 courses during the pandemic, this technology is now fundamental to how we envision the delivery of many courses moving forward. The technology allows visual and audio broadcast of a class in real time to students at locations off-site and moreover, providing an interactive, true live online experience.



Improv for Better Communication: MCC Career Services is partnering with MCC's Speech and Communications Department to bring a fun and engaging communication/public speaking workshop to our students. Research shows that Improv techniques can significantly enhance listening, communication, and public speaking skills. Working with presenter Julie Ostrow, we have scheduled this into three different workshops. Two sessions were presented virtually in Leslie Neal's Communications classes in October. The third presentation will be a virtual campus visit.



Koru Mindfulness Training: MCC employee Kire Wierda received training as a certified Koru teacher. This project will help create a learning community that is better equipped to manage stress, focus their minds and provide opportunities to broaden their perspectives on issues and challenges they may be facing. She began delivering this programming virtually this fall to students, staff, and community members. This curriculum is designed specifically for college students and other young adults.