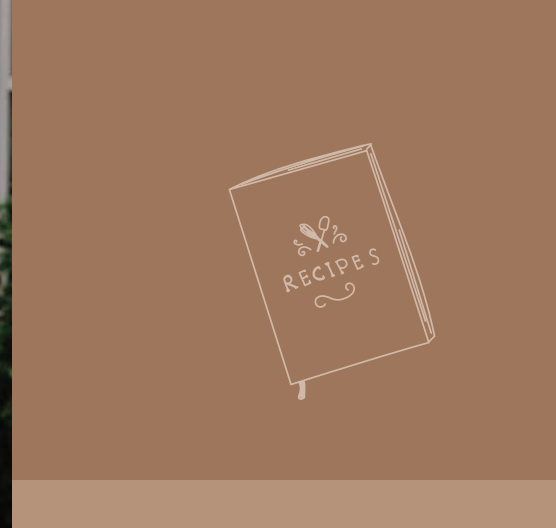
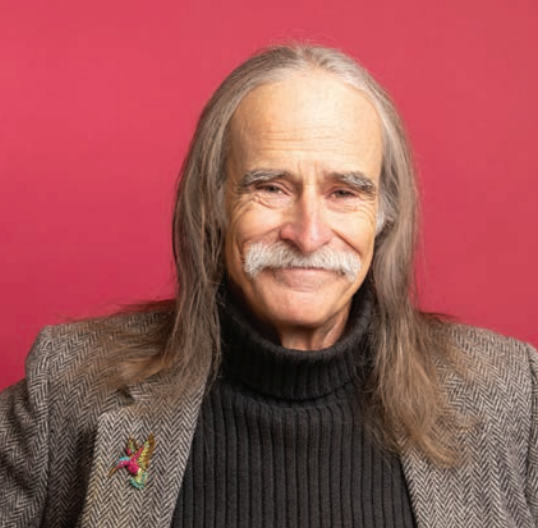
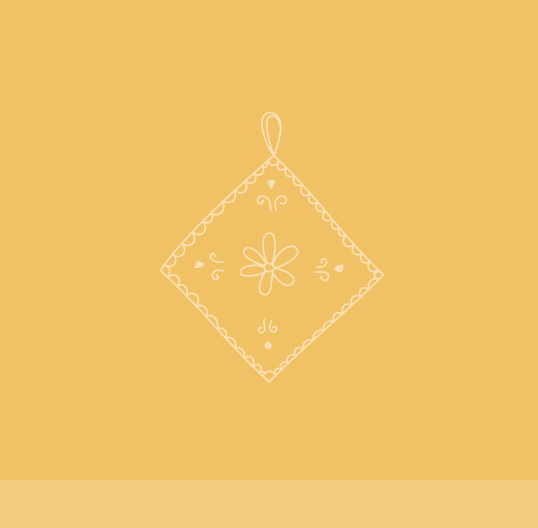
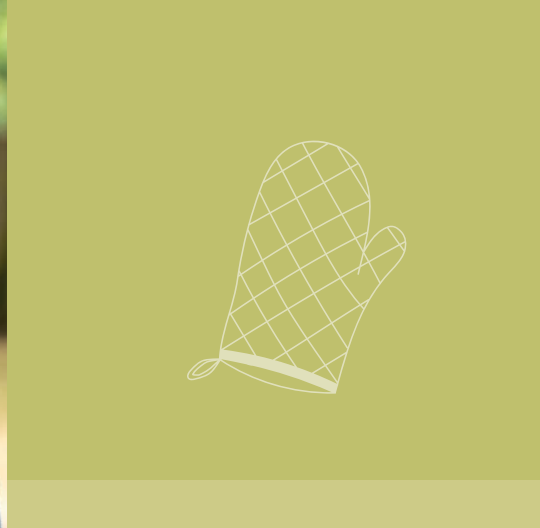




2020-21 FISCAL YEAR
Giving Report





Dear Friends,

Another year has passed and we're still in the midst of a global pandemic. It's been a hard time for our Portland Community College community. Classes went remote. Many students lost employment and struggled to meet their basic needs. Our faculty and staff had to learn new ways to deliver on our mission of equitable student success while figuring out how to adapt in this new environment.

The work of the PCC Foundation has never been more urgently needed, and your generosity has sustained our most vulnerable students during this difficult time. Because of you, we've raised more than ever before to help students reach their educational goals. In uniquely challenging circumstances, your philanthropy has given our students hope.

Many of us at PCC turned to cooking for comfort during the past year. Whether revisiting a beloved family recipe passed down from generation to generation or sharing a new favorite dish with a neighbor, food connects us to our loved ones, even during times of physical distancing.

In this year's giving report, we're using food and recipes as metaphors to showcase the diverse experiences of our students, staff and supporters. Because here at PCC, we feed our students' love of learning and support them on a path to a more prosperous future. We also recognize that although access to food is a basic human right, it is not afforded equally to all. Many PCC students continue to experience food insecurity. Your ongoing generosity nourishes our commitment to food justice so that everyone has an opportunity to learn and thrive.

Thank you for being a special ingredient in the success of PCC. We hope you enjoy reading the stories in this giving report, which, as always, was made with love.

With gratitude,

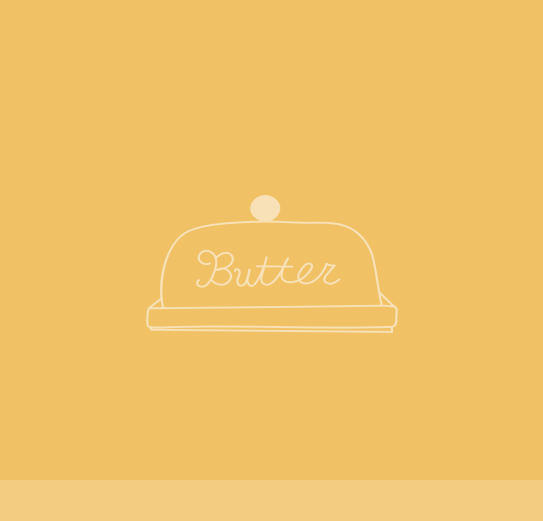
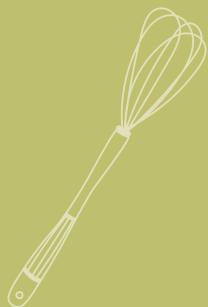


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Made with Love

The most meaningful gifts are always made with love. Donors, students, alumni, staff and friends shared the following stories and connection with food. Each one illustrates a personal tie to PCC that we hope you find as inspiring as we do.

— MADE WITH LOVE —

To the cashier at the grocery store,

I walked in that day, gas mask and goggles on. At the checkout, we laughed at my getup and you acknowledged how scary everything was. School went remote and my job was gone, but your words made me feel less alone. In the early days of the pandemic, those trips to the supermarket were all I had to remind me that there was still a world outside my apartment. Me, a grocery gift card from PCC in hand, shopping for green beans and onions to keep my body nourished so my mind could study. Relieved I didn't have to give up my dreams because strangers decided to help. Nearly two years later, here we still are. I saw you the other day. "I'm so glad we made it," you said to me. I nodded, grateful.

— Anya

Anya DeCarlo recently graduated from PCC. She is currently at Portland State University, majoring in biology with a minor in math, and working her way toward a Ph.D. Last year, Anya received grocery gift cards as part of the PCC Foundation's emergency response effort to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Find more online!

Anya's favorite dish to make is a vegan green bean casserole. Visit pcc.edu/madewithlove for the recipe.





Sylvester “Sly” Luckett currently attends PCC and is majoring in computer science. A single father of two, he hopes to pursue a bachelor’s degree with the ultimate dream of working in cybersecurity. Sylvester is a recipient of the Doreen Margolin Memorial Endowed Scholarship for single parents. The endowment honors the legacy of Doreen Margolin, who passed away in 2007 and was a PCC District Board member, as well as a founding member of the PCC Foundation Board.



Find more online!

Want to know what Sylvester’s sons think of his pancakes? Visit pcc.edu/madewithlove to find out!



— MADE WITH LOVE —

To my addiction,

You had a hold on my life for so long. Because of you, I missed opportunities to spend time with my boys, moments I'll never get back. It's been eight years since I've followed your lead. While you're never far away, I've finally left you in my shadow. These days, I'm making the decisions. I've chosen to focus on my education. My dad wasn't the kind to look up to or follow in his footsteps, but now my sons Sylvester and Sylas are watching me go to college. And I'm not missing out anymore. We have pancakes for breakfast, do our homework together and drive remote control cars on the weekends. They're watching me become a better father and man. I'm not giving up – my boys are counting on me.

— Sly



— MADE WITH LOVE —

To the students at OMIC,

My daughter and I love to bake together. After I taught her how to make a cake base, she now feels confident to adjust the flavors and decorate as she pleases, bringing her creativity to the process. Learning is big in my house and at my work at the Oregon Community Foundation – we believe education is a game-changer. So when you walk through the doors at PCC’s training center, know that we’ve tried our best to make sure you have all the right ingredients to begin your manufacturing career journey. Keep an open mind. Take advantage of all the different opportunities, and decide for yourself what you want to do. Make the cake your own. You, and Oregon, will be better because of it.

— Belle

Belle Cantor is a senior program officer for education with the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF). This past year, OCF awarded the PCC Foundation a \$100,000 leadership grant to help launch PCC’s Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center (OMIC) Training Center that opened this fall in Columbia County. The center is designed to train an advanced manufacturing workforce to meet Oregon employers’ current and future needs.



Find more online!

To see Belle’s recipe for a good partnership, go to pcc.edu/madewithlove.

— MADE WITH LOVE —

To my garden,

You've changed my life forever. You've made me see food in a different way – and through your love, I transformed my son, daughter and partner's lifelong eating habits. You nurtured our bodies and showed us what a healthy lifestyle can be through growing our own food. I'm at PCC learning Spanish because I want to have deeper conversations and share more ideas with my co-workers. As my confidence increases, I think of how we're all growing together. Everyone deserves your love. Yet my community – and other communities of color – haven't always had access to affordable fresh fruits and vegetables. I'm going to change that, along with my co-workers, one garden at a time.

— Rashae

Rashae Burns is studying Spanish at PCC after earning her bachelor's degree in healthcare administration from Concordia University. Rashae is currently the home gardens director at the nonprofit Growing Gardens. She is the recipient of the Bridges to the Future Scholarship, which supports students who have been historically excluded or underrepresented in higher education.



Find more online!

Need help growing your leafy greens? Visit pcc.edu/madewithlove for Rashae's tips.





— MADE WITH LOVE —

To the parents of migrant families,

Thank you for feeding the world. Sometimes we forget the sacrifices you and your families have made. I know these sacrifices because I, too, was raised in a migrant family. In the summer, me and my Grandpa Joaquin would pick seeds from tall corn stalks out in the blistering sun from dawn to dusk in eastern Oregon. As we worked side-by-side, my fingernails filling with dirt from the day's labor, I could see a long life in the fields in the rough skin on my grandpa's hands. I knew that education was the key to a new career path and life direction for me. Now, as an educator myself, your children are my students. I will not forget all you have done to help your kids succeed. When my students earn their degrees, it's not just their accomplishment. It's your accomplishment, too.

— Greg

Greg Contreras is the director of the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP), a federally-funded initiative designed to assist first-year students from migrant and seasonal farmworker backgrounds. Through the PCC Foundation and generous donors, CAMP has raised an additional \$55,000 to help its students continue their education.



Find more online!

Find out why corn is an important part of Greg's cultural heritage at pcc.edu/madewithlove.



Yuliza Leon Del Toro (pictured left) recently graduated from PCC with a major in criminal justice and is now attending Portland State University to become a criminal defense attorney. She is the fourth member of her family to participate in Future Connect, a scholarship and support program for students who identify as first-generation or low-income.



Find more online!

Learn how to make Yuliza's family-favorite mac and cheese at pcc.edu/madewithlove.



— MADE WITH LOVE —

To my prima hermana Karla,

I know our families just got together for Thanksgiving to eat our famous mac and cheese and say all we're thankful for, but I want to say this to you again today – thank you. Remember when I finally realized school was important and you got your Future Connect coach to write down step-by-step FAFSA instructions for me? It seems like such a small thing, but that's the day my college journey started. You were the first to go to PCC, and when I'd see you getting up early to catch the bus in winter while pregnant, I knew it had to be worthwhile. I don't know what I would've done without Future Connect. I don't know what I'd do without you. Being vocal is in our blood, and I'm so thankful you've never stopped telling me what I needed to hear – that I'm capable, and I belong.

— Yuli



— MADE WITH LOVE —

To my adventures,

When I was younger, an adventure became a misadventure. I got kicked out of high school and that's how I found PCC. I spent my evenings taking a trigonometry course and, little did I know at the time, but this class would help me join the Navy. I became the first woman surveyor ever to be assigned to a coastal survey ship. I visited so many different countries and oh, the food! Every place we docked had its uniquely rich flavors. We had some really good times. Yet it was hard not to compare the scarcity of food in Haiti with the abundance of high-end restaurants in Greece. I'm back home in Oregon for my last adventure – retirement. I still think about what you've taught me – how access to resources can make all the difference and how being open-hearted is the only way to move through this world.

— Deb

Deb Peterson is a Navy veteran. After transferring from PCC, she earned her bachelor's degree in business from Portland State University and worked for the US Army Corps of Engineers for 23 years before retiring. Deb has made provisions in her will for a generous scholarship endowment that will continue to support PCC students in perpetuity.



Find more online!

Deb has one must-try food while traveling. Visit pcc.edu/madewithlove to see what it is.



— MADE WITH LOVE —

To my beautiful sons,

At one time, I was convinced that the world was not ready for another mouth to feed. But then I met an old Mexican fisherman in Vera Cruz who told me, “Señor, you need to have kids because you’re the kind of man that will bring mouths that feed into the world.” And he was right. I’m so very proud of you three and how you’re using your creativity to make this life a little bit better for us all. You inspired me to return to PCC and to use the voice I found in those classrooms to become a writer. It was amazingly cool that we were on campus at the same time! Real hope depends on the power of the imagination. And that, I think, is the best thing anyone can ever give to a child. I love you all for who you are.

— Pops

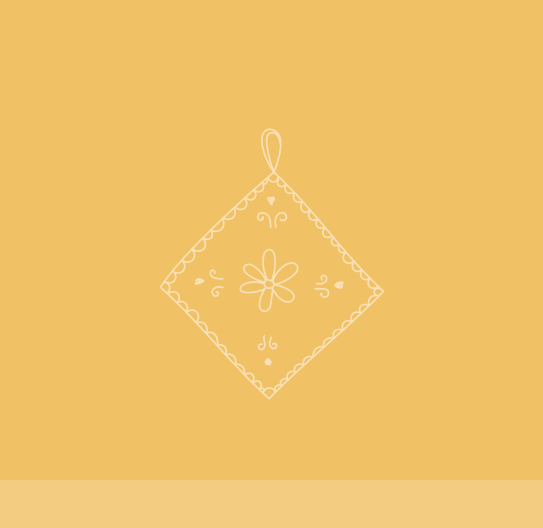


Francis Kohler (pictured second from the right) was a restaurateur, music club owner and home builder before earning his first-ever degree at PCC at age 67. A single dad and cancer survivor, he is the recipient of a general PCC scholarship. That scholarship includes support from donors such as John Muller, who was a part-time IT employee at PCC and bequeathed the PCC Foundation a generous estate gift. Francis is currently working on a screenplay and studying creative writing at Pacific University.



Find more online!

Throughout the pandemic, Francis and his sons have enjoyed sharing a Japanese chicken curry meal together. Go to pcc.edu/madewithlove for the recipe.



Gave with Love

We offer our thanks to the donors, business partners and community leaders who have helped PCC provide students with resources they need to succeed. Your gifts to the PCC Foundation have supported scholarships, emergency grants and student success programs – and have made a profound difference in the lives of PCC students and their loved ones in our community.

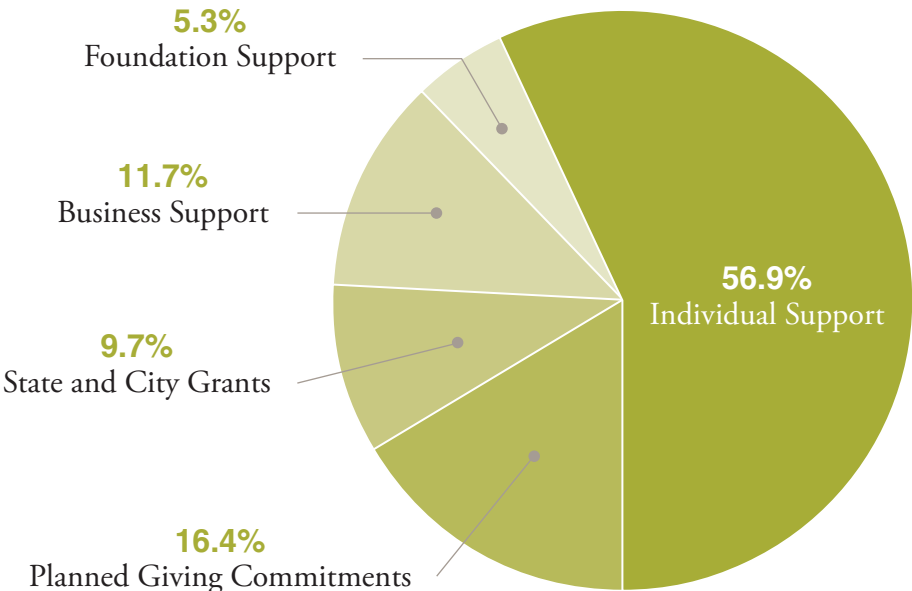
2020-21 Fundraising Summary

The PCC Foundation is dedicated to expanding access to higher education by addressing the needs of students at Portland Community College. Thanks to generous donors, the Foundation raised a record \$16.3 million during the fiscal year.

Foundation audited financial statements are available at pcc.edu/foundation/financial-reports.

WHERE GIFTS CAME FROM

\$16.3 MILLION CONTRIBUTED

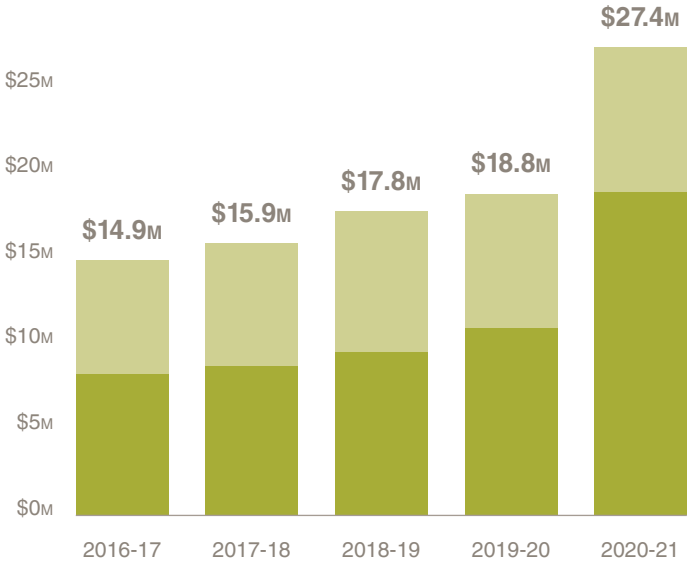


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(IN MILLIONS)

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- Endowment Net Assets

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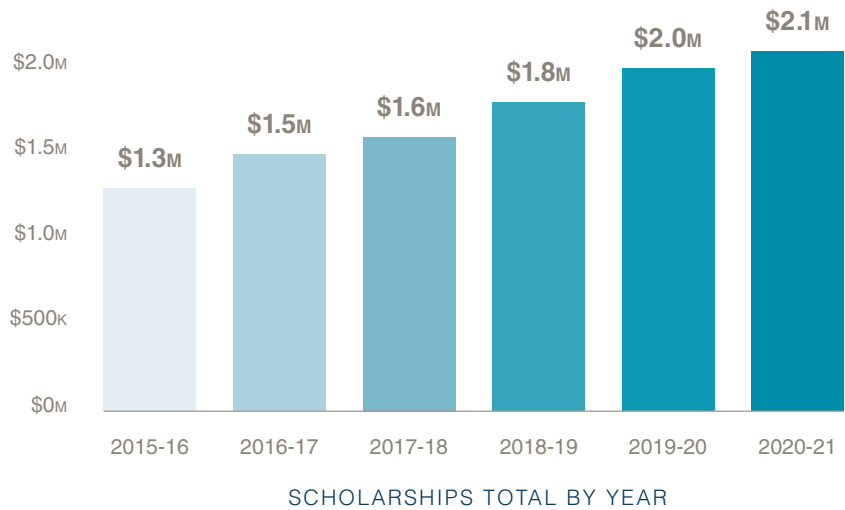
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We are grateful to the 2,370 donors who supported the PCC Foundation in 2020-21. Thank you for supporting scholarships, emergency aid, workforce development and Future Connect.

The Impact of Your Gifts

SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2020-21, the PCC Foundation awarded \$2.1 million in scholarships – more than ever before.



1,600 PCC STUDENTS

Received scholarships in 2020-21.



64% FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS

Received scholarships to become the first in their family to attend college.



1,313 AVERAGE AWARD

To support tuition, fees and books.



22 NEW FUNDS

Were established by generous donors who created seven endowed scholarship funds and 15 annual scholarship funds.

The Impact of Your Gifts

EMERGENCY AID

Prior to the pandemic, more than half of PCC students faced basic needs insecurity. That number spiked after the lockdown. Through the PCC COVID-19 Response Fund, the Foundation provided emergency grants, grocery store gift cards and technology resources to ensure students could continue their education.



272 STUDENTS RECEIVED EMERGENCY GRANTS

To help cover housing, medical bills, child care costs and other basic needs.



685 LAPTOPS DISTRIBUTED

To ensure students stayed connected while most classes were held remotely.



575 STUDENTS RECEIVED GROCERY GIFT CARDS

To purchase nutritious food while our campus Panther Pantries were closed.

WORKFORCE

PCC is a pathway to opportunity for thousands of people working toward their dreams. As a critical talent pipeline providing skilled professionals to support our region, PCC is committed to educating Oregon's workers and helping our students find family-wage jobs.



\$10,600 EXTRA EARNING POTENTIAL

For PCC students annually who earn an associate degree compared to a worker with a high school diploma.



75% STUDENTS GOT JOBS

Within one year of completing their degree or certificate.



89% STAY IN PORTLAND METRO AREA

Following their time at PCC and help the community thrive.

FUTURE CONNECT

For 10 years, Future Connect has collaborated with regional high schools to provide opportunities to students who identify as first-generation or low-income. With the aid of scholarships, personalized coaching and each other, Future Connect scholars graduate at significantly higher rates than peers not enrolled in this nationally acclaimed program.



2,700 FUTURE CONNECT STUDENTS

Have enrolled in the program throughout its 10 years.



83% STUDENTS OF COLOR

Percentage of Future Connect students who are students of color.



85% FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS

Are the first in their family to attend college.



With Gratitude

Thank you! You've made education possible for PCC students. In order to be more sustainable, we are reducing the number of pages in this report and putting our donor lists online. Visit pcc.edu/donorroll to view our entire list of supporters from 2020-21.



AMO DEBERNARDIS

Legacy Society

Dr. Amo DeBernardis, or “Dr. De” as he was known at the college, served as PCC’s founding president from 1961 until 1979, when he retired. His vision of access to higher education for all still guides our work today and many of his founding concepts remain integral to our mission.

Donors who include the PCC Foundation through a bequest, life income plan or other types of planned gift, whether intended or received, become members of the Amo DeBernardis Legacy Society.

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