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2014–15 ANNUAL REPORT

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FALL 2015 LETTER FROM BOARD CHAIR, INTERIM PRESIDENT AND CEO



Mary O'Connor, Interim President and CEO
and Russ Johnson, Chair

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for your continued support of our students, colleges, Foundation and the Campaign for Student Success. Through your generosity, the Foundation has received gifts in excess of \$6 million dollars for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2015.

Your generosity enables us to make a positive impact on student success, to manage and grow the gifts you have entrusted to us and to steward the funds according to your intentions. In the past fiscal year, we awarded \$1.6 million in scholarship funds to more than 2,000 students. Our success is due largely to the Foundation board and staff for their continued commitment to serving our students.

As we face the challenging year ahead, we ask for your continued support. As you may be aware, Arizona lawmakers have eliminated the District's funding completely as of this year's legislative session, leaving the college system to rely more on a mix of tuition, grants and property taxes to pay for its operations. As a result, the District is looking for innovative ways to generate revenue for the colleges, so they

may continue to serve as a massive feeder system to all of the state's Universities who are educating a majority of the Valley's eventual working population. The Foundation plays a vital role in helping raise awareness and funds to sustain the District.

We offer our special thanks to Dr. Steve Helfgot, who retired in August 2015 as our President and CEO after seven years of service. Steve led the Foundation through a reorganization and growth period, including the Campaign for Student Success currently underway.

Enjoy your retirement!

Feel free to contact us with any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

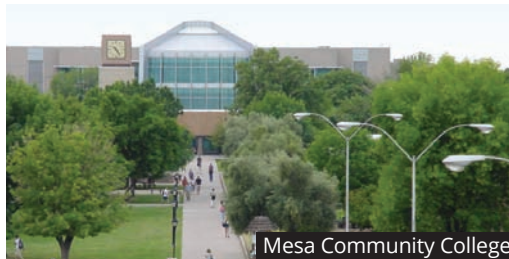
Russ Johnson, Chair

Mary O'Connor, Interim President and CEO

TEN COLLEGES AND A CORPORATE COLLEGE DEDICATED TO STUDENT SUCCESS



Chandler-Gilbert Community College



Mesa Community College



Scottsdale Community College



Estrella Mountain Community College



Paradise Valley Community College



South Mountain Community College



GateWay Community College



Phoenix College



Maricopa Corporate College



Glendale Community College



Rio Salado College

The Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization designated by the Maricopa County Community College District to receive and manage gifts on behalf of its ten colleges and the Maricopa corporate college. The Foundation actively seeks contributions from a variety of public and private sources including individuals, corporations and other foundations. It acts as a trustee for donations to assure that gifts are distributed in the manner specified by the donor.

MARICOPA FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation is proud to acknowledge the newest members of the Board. Our Board of Directors serve a critical role in leading fundraising efforts to provide scholarship opportunities for our students district-wide. Our Directors are strategic, dedicated, and thoughtful contributors, enabling the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation to achieve continued success.

We thank and welcome these individuals who are leading the way for students in our community through their service at the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation. These members will serve three-year terms:



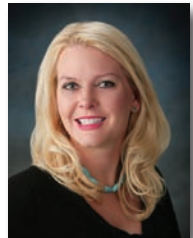
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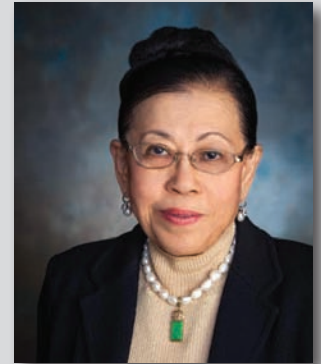
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DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Since immigrating to America in 1975, Dr. Ruth Tan Lim, a Malaysia-born physician, has been on what her friends and peers call a non-stop mission to champion good lifestyle choices for children. She began her medical practice in Mesa in 1979 and became a U.S. citizen three years later. Those closest to Dr. Lim have said that her inspiration to serve others comes from life-teaching events such as her active-duty service during Operation Desert Storm in 1991 as a U.S. Army physician.



Dr. Ruth Tan Lim

Her Children's Benefit Foundation has been a national model for medical care and the nurturing of a healthy lifestyle in needy kids. Scores of local humanitarian endeavors and global missions to relieve suffering span her nearly 40-year career as a pediatrician on a self-imposed assignment to enhance every child's journey through life.

"Dr. Lim, or Dr. Ruth, as so many affectionately call her, is the greatest example of volunteerism that you will ever find," said Dr. Shouan Pan, President of Mesa Community College. **"Peace among nations is a subject that is very close to Dr. Ruth's heart, and she takes every opportunity to promote a peaceful way of life."** It is these tenets, coupled with her passion for education, that inspired Dr. Lim to pledge \$1 million for the naming rights of the main Performance Hall in the new Performing Arts Center (PAC) at MCC.

Dr. Lim currently serves on the Mesa Community College Development Board of Directors and is helping to raise funds towards a campaign goal of \$5 million in support of the arts, scholarships, and world class instruction.

HONORS LINDA MAZON GUTIERREZ AND COLLEGE HEROES



Linda Mazon Gutierrez, 2015 Hero of Education

This year marked the 10th anniversary of the Heroes of Education Dinner, which was held at the Sheraton in Downtown Phoenix on April 16, 2015. More than 400 community and business leaders attended this year and more than \$120,000 in scholarship funds was raised.

Linda Mazon Gutierrez, President and CEO of the Hispanic Women's Corporation (HWC), was recognized for her personal and professional commitment to support Maricopa Community College students and educational opportunities. Ms. Gutierrez and the HWC have successfully partnered with the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation since 2006 to provide scholarships for graduates of the Maricopa Community Colleges Achieving a College Education (ACE) program. Ms. Gutierrez has served as the congressional and state legislative liaison on health care issues for the State of Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System for 25 years.

Prior to her retirement in 2007 from State government, she served as the liaison to the National Governor's Association in Washington D.C. Ms. Gutierrez is married to former State Senator Jaime Gutierrez and, together, they have four children.

"We are grateful for our community's commitment to build the scholarship support that we provide to students of the Maricopa Community Colleges," said Mary O'Connor, Interim President and CEO of MCCF. "This dinner is just one of the many fundraising efforts of our Foundation, District and colleges. It's an investment not only in our students, but in the future well-being and vitality of our community."

Since its inception in 2006, the Heroes of Education event has raised upwards of \$1 million in scholarship funds to support Maricopa Community College students.

"We are grateful for our community's commitment to build the scholarship support that we provide to students."

Mary O' Connor, MCCF Interim President and CEO

2015 COLLEGE HEROES

HEROES of
EDUCATION

Ten heroes—one from each of the Maricopa Community Colleges—were recognized at a special ceremony prior to the Heroes of Education Dinner. The award is given to individuals, organizations or companies who have distinguished themselves by providing exceptional support and/or service.



Estrella Mountain Community College
The Honorable Adolfo Gamez



GateWay Community College
Elizabeth Acord Maribito



Chandler-Gilbert Community College
Dignity Health



Glendale Community College
Glendale Rotary



Mesa Community College
Dr. Ruth Tan Lim



Paradise Valley Community College
Warren Buxton (*not pictured*)



Phoenix College
Phoenix Fire Chief Kara Kalkbrenner



Rio Salado College
The Honorable Harry Mitchell



Scottsdale Community College
Marshall Trimble



South Mountain Community College
Dr. Yvonne D. Montiel

EXPRESSIONS OF PHILANTHROPY

GIFTS THAT GENERATE INCOME

Each year the generous spirit of our friends helps support students and programs at the Maricopa Community Colleges. This generosity is evident in countless ways, including gifts of financial support. And while giving may seem a straightforward process, there are many ways that friends choose to make a gift. Some careful planning will ensure that your personal objectives are met. Below is an overview of some of the most common ways to make a planned gift and the benefits of each.

PLANNED GIFTS

The benefits of planning are compounded when you utilize strategies that generate income as well as provide a number of other attractive benefits. Sometimes called deferred gifts, the term planned gifts refers to specific strategies that (in most cases) benefit charity at some point in the future while offering immediate benefits to the donor.

The **Gift Annuity** is a great example of how a gift generates income for the donor. This is actually a contract between a donor and our Foundation that is part gift and part annuity. In addition to the income received, the donor receives a charitable income tax deduction and a portion of each annuity payment may be tax-free.

LIFE INSURANCE

The gift of a paid-up life insurance policy is a good example. By designating our Foundation as owner and beneficiary of such a policy, you will receive a charitable income tax deduction that, in most cases, is equal to your cost basis in the policy.

The **Deferred Payment Gift Annuity** in which annuity payments are delayed for a number of years, offers rates that make it an attractive supplement to retirement income that can, in certain situations, be an appropriate gift.

The **Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT)** is perhaps the most versatile charitable giving tool. With the CRT it is possible to bypass capital gains tax on the sale of highly appreciated assets, generate an increase in income, receive an attractive charitable income tax deduction, and fulfill your philanthropic objectives. The CRT is a legal trust that can be constructed to produce a predictable annuity payment each year

or take advantage of investment growth opportunities with income payments based on a growing trust principal.

CHARITABLE BEQUESTS

Next to writing a check, perhaps the best known vehicle for philanthropy is the bequest. A bequest makes it possible for you to make your wishes known today without relinquishing needed assets during your lifetime. Bequests can transfer a specific asset. You can also give a percentage of the estate after costs and taxes. Another good idea is to transfer property to a testamentary trust.

If you would like more information on the strategies discussed here or any other planning options, we invite you to contact us.

For more information, please call Mary O'Connor 480.731.8403. All inquiries are handled confidentially.

"After my uncle returned home from Afghanistan suffering from PTSD, I knew that military Psychology was my future. I wouldn't be able to pursue my goal and eventually transfer to a local university if it weren't for the ACE Program and the Maricopa Community Colleges."

– Emma DiMarco
Mesa Community College
ACE (Achieving a College Education) Scholarship Recipient



THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Charitable gift annuities are the most popular life-income planned gift available to donors today. More and more nonprofit organizations are adding these gift instruments to their offerings.

A gift annuity is an annuity contract you buy from a charity. You hand over a lump sum and, in return, receive a fixed monthly, quarterly, or annual payment for life. You gain an immediate tax deduction for the charitable element of your contract. The charity invests the lump sum, pays you during your lifetime and after your death uses the remainder to honor your charitable intent.

Donors who purchase a charitable gift annuity from the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation have the benefit of a reputable, well-established Foundation that demonstrates financial strength. They can have a high degree of assurance that their annuities are safe. They can name one or all of the Maricopa Community Colleges (and a specific program) as the beneficiary of the annuity upon their death.

Maureen DeCindis is a current Foundation gift annuitant. Maureen is a longtime member of the Friends of Public Radio



Maureen DeCindis

Leadership Society at Rio Salado College. When she heard about the charitable gift annuity program offered by the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation on behalf of the radio stations, she was intrigued. A phone call to Lou Stanley, Vice-President of the Friends of Public Radio, started the process. She then met with Lou and Mary O'Connor, Foundation Interim President and CEO to review the terms of the annuity contract.

Maureen states **"the process was easy. Having an annuity is like living off the interest of an investment, but with a**

higher rate of return than a traditional certificate of deposit, while ultimately benefiting the Friends of Public Radio. The income is guaranteed and the first year I reduced my income taxes by \$2,000."

Fixed payments are a source of comfort to people like Maureen who don't want their future security dependent on the performance of financial markets.

They are very attractive to individuals who want simultaneously to support a favorite charity and provide themselves income.

Maureen feels that the money she invested in this annuity is a wonderful way to support the great public education that local public radio provides.

For more information on the Charitable Gift Annuity Program or other planned giving instruments available at the Foundation, please contact Mary O'Connor at (480) 731-8403 or mary.oconnor@domail.maricopa.edu.

support students and receive income

ALUMNUS JOURNEY TO PHOENIX COLLEGE BRINGS HELP ALL OVER THE WORLD

It has been more than 60 years since Dr. Simon Myint graduated from Phoenix Junior College, now known as Phoenix College. The place he describes as, “where I began my life’s work.”

Not the Average Student

Simon Myint arrived in Phoenix in September 1946 at the age of 18, from Burma (now Myanmar). He was dressed in American Army surplus khakis and combat boots, and had only \$200 to his name. A chance discovery of a 1932 Phoenix Union High School yearbook, left behind by a missionary fleeing the Japanese entering Burma, brought him to Arizona.

Struggles after World War II

Burma was shut off from the rest of the world after the war. Myint’s town was at the mercy of plague, cholera, typhoid and more. After suffering from malaria, Myint vowed to go into medicine if he survived.

The Letter That Changed His Life

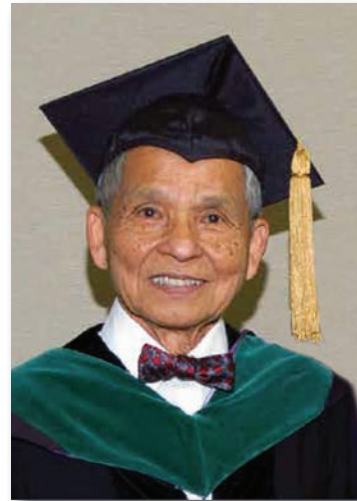
Myint wrote a letter “To the Dean”, Phoenix Junior College (which had been referenced in the yearbook), asking to study in Phoenix. Dean Harry B. Wyman replied with

information about the school and it’s tuition of \$100 per semester plus expenses. With a family salary of \$30 a month, this was beyond Myint’s dreams. However, he wrote back asking if he could work his way through school.

With no timely answer, Myint enrolled in a university in India. Unbeknownst to him, Dean Wyman contacted a minister, Dr. Charles Kendall about Myint. His church, now the Central United Methodist Church, agreed to help financially. Immediately, Myint boarded the SS Memphis City, which sailed from Calcutta, to Savannah, Georgia which took 48 days. From there, it was three days on a train, finally landing him in Phoenix.

An Education Leads to Life In Medicine and Giving Back

Dean Wyman welcomed Myint into his home and community. Dr. Kendall and



Dr. Simon Myint

his church remained friends and supporters for years. Eventually, Dr. Myint attended Northwestern University School of Medicine and did his surgical training at the University of Pennsylvania. He returned to Burma and was the first native to perform cardiac surgery. Dr. Myint volunteers as a surgeon in Mexico, Central/South America, Haiti and rural Nepal.

According to Dr. Myint, the Phoenix College slogan, “Go far close to home” applies to him. He goes far, but

still remains close to Phoenix College. He honored the person who contributed to his success by establishing a scholarship endowment, in honor of Dean Harry Wyman as well as the Simon Myint Burma Memorial Scholarship; both through the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation. Dr. Myint has also been recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges with their 2013 Outstanding Alumni Award in honor of his support to Phoenix College.

“where I began my life’s work”

CAMPAIGN FOR STUDENT SUCCESS UPDATE

We are pleased to provide an update on the progress of the Campaign for Student Success for the Maricopa Community Colleges. This effort was designed to raise funds in three specific areas: community partnerships, direct support of students and faculty and staff innovation. The Campaign, which extends to all 10 colleges, has made it possible for us to support specific projects which our entire Maricopa Community College system has identified.

Led by a steering committee of community leaders, the Campaign is chaired by Rich Boals, President and CEO of BlueCross BlueShield AZ and Edmundo Hidalgo, President and CEO of Chicanos por la Causa.

As of June 30, 2015, \$27,156,504 has been raised in gifts and pledges. The breakout of this amount is as follows:

- Designated to Support Community Partnerships: \$876,558
- Designated to Direct Support of Students and Undesignated Gifts: \$19,360,637
- Designated to Faculty and Staff Innovation, Creativity and Excellence: \$1,854,721

Additionally, we have received:

- Planned Gifts: \$1,755,000
- District Grants: \$1,635,838
- Charitable Gifts Direct to College: \$1,673,747

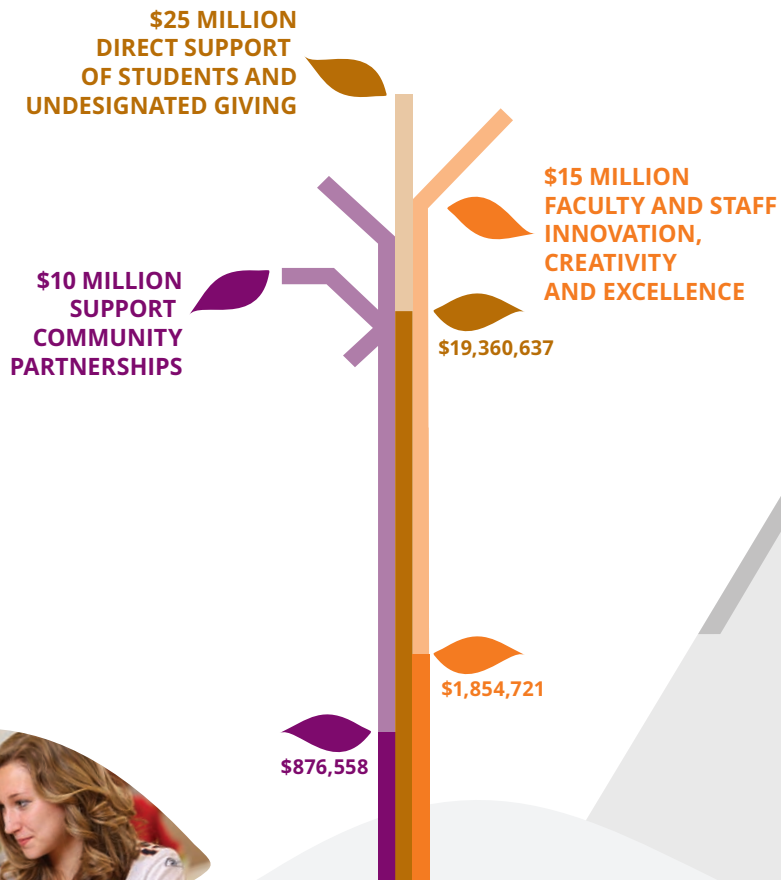


CAMPAIGN GOAL \$50 MILLION

TOTALS FOR

JULY 1, 2011 TO JUNE 30, 2015

\$27,156,504



**THE CAMPAIGN FOR
STUDENT SUCCESS**
FOR THE MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

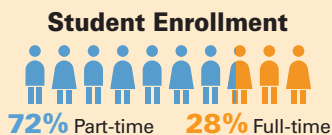
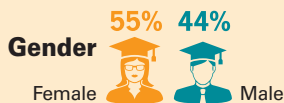
Educating our Community, Ensuring our Future



Approximately 213,000 credit students and about 27,000 special interest students attended a Maricopa Community College in 2013-2014.

Student Fast Facts

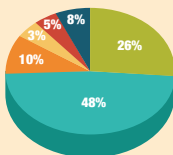
26 Average Age



Tuition
per credit hour **\$84**

Ethnicity

American Indian
Asian/Pacific Islander
Black
Hispanic
White
Other



FOUNDATION HONORS FIVE AT ANNUAL EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

Each year, the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation recognizes MCCC employees who have made outstanding contributions to the District's mission.

This year, five awards were made to individual employees at a luncheon held April 28, 2015 at the Foundation's offices. Dr. Steven Helfgot, CEO/President of MCCF presided over the luncheon and remarks were made by Dr. Rufus Glasper, Chancellor, MCCC and Heidi Schaefer, Chairman, MCCF Board. The 2015 Recipients of the Employee Recognition Awards are:

Dr. Christopher Scinto, Division Chair of Fine and Performing Arts, Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC)

Under Dr. Scinto's leadership, students have flourished and the community has responded. In the past five years, PVCC Center for Performing Arts has provided more than 625 performances, drawing 69,000 community attendees. Through various benefit events, more than \$40,500 has been raised for Fine and Performing Arts scholarships.

Landres "Buddy" Cheeks, Director of Student Life and Leadership, South Mountain Community College (SMCC)



Dr. Steven Helfgot, Heidi Schaefer, Miguel Fernandez, Dr. Heather Weber, Frank Wilson accepting on behalf of Dr. Bryan Tippet and Dr. Christopher Scinto and Chancellor Dr. Rufus Glasper. Not pictured, Buddy Cheeks.

Mr. Cheeks is known for his dedicated long-time position as a Maricopa leader, student advocate, and role model. Recognized for his commitment to equality, inclusiveness and cultural enrichment, his contributions to SMCC positively impact students who learn by doing and giving back to the community.

Dr. Heather Weber, Dean for Occupational Education, Estrella Mountain Community College (EMCC)

Dr. Weber was honored for her support of students, faculty, staff, District policies and community events. Dr. Weber's contributions to the MCCC and its student body are unparalleled, focusing on reaching out into the community to build partnerships that support funding, internships and future job opportunities for EMCC students.



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**Miguel Fernandez, English Faculty,
Chandler-Gilbert Community
College (CGCC)**

Mr. Fernandez spent his sabbatical semester researching and developing an online training program to assist faculty members in understanding and working with student veterans. This tool met a significant need for the MCCC to provide accurate, comprehensive and easily accessible training for meeting the needs of this diverse population. The program, "Toolkit for Training Faculty to Best Serve Student Veterans," is available free of charge and is being introduced to colleges across the country.

Dr. Bryan Tippet (awarded posthumously), Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, Estrella Mountain Community College (EMCC)
Dr. Tippet was a champion of student success, devoting his professional life to making sure that all students have access to a quality education. Dr. Tippet built lasting partnerships with numerous institutions and led EMCC to become a learning-centered organization deeply valuing teaching, learning and caring.

Five awards were made in the form of \$1,000 scholarship given in each awardee's name to a student at any college or center.



"I moved here two-and-half years ago from Vietnam to study Fashion Merchandising at Mesa Community College where I was awarded a scholarship after winning the Phoenix Fashion Week 'Inspire Fashion' design contest. Missing home is the greatest motivation for me to be a successful student."

— Anh Huyng-Nguyen
Mesa Community College student
MCC Fashion Scholarship recipient



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950 We offer more than 950 degree and certificate programs.

An Economic Engine for the Community

Maricopa Community Colleges produce an estimated \$7.3 billion in annual economic benefits for Maricopa County.

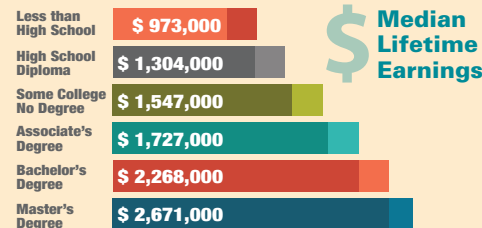


Maricopa employs:

1,500 Full-time Faculty  **5,200** Adjunct Faculty



For every \$1 that our students spend on tuition, they earn \$3 in higher wages over the course of their career.



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2014–15 FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

The Foundation awards two categories of scholarships, Endowment Scholarships and Restricted Scholarships, to students attending the Maricopa Community Colleges and Skill Centers.

I. The Scholarship Program awards scholarships to students who meet academic and financial criteria, as well as other criteria established by the donor. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, this program awarded 2,335 scholarships for a total of \$1,597,657.

Distribution of Scholarships by College

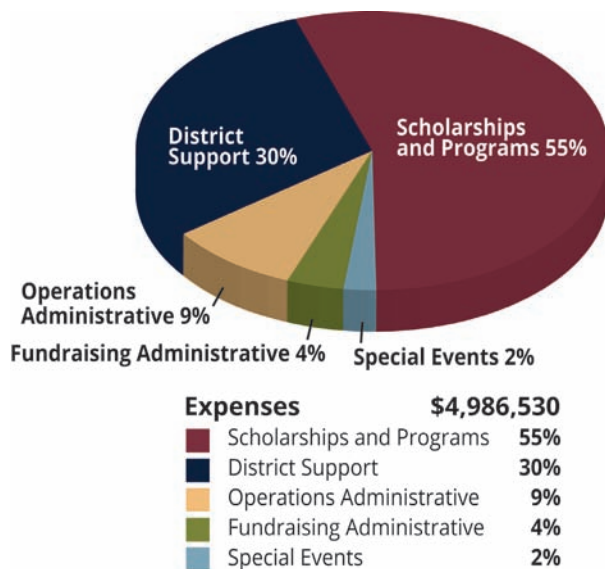
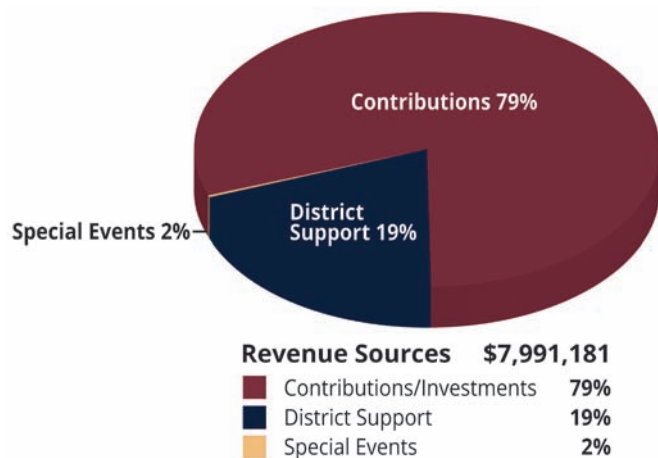
Colleges	# of Awards	Amount
Chandler Gilbert Community College	263	\$132,644
Estrella Mountain Community College	181	\$113,387
GateWay Community College	113	\$76,179
Glendale Community College	308	\$188,242
Maricopa Skill Center	2	\$980
Mesa Community College	437	\$295,118
Paradise Valley Community College	124	\$88,970
Phoenix College	271	\$196,858
Rio Salado Community College	146	\$97,577
Scottsdale Community College	251	\$183,847
South Mountain Community College	205	\$164,684
Other University Institutions	34	\$59,170
Total	2,335	\$1,597,657

II. Historical Data

Unrestricted/Restricted

Average Year	# of Funds	Scholarships	Value	Average Award
1987–88	6	104	\$31,900	\$306.00
1988–89	10	131	\$43,967	\$335.00
1989–90	14	135	\$31,086	\$230.00
1990–91	30	1,136	\$284,446	\$250.00
1991–92	26	1,140	\$322,118	\$285.00
1992–93	52	1,522	\$416,380	\$274.00
1993–94	48	1,257	\$340,277	\$290.00
1994–95	66	1,452	\$377,699	\$259.00
1995–96	59	956	\$364,569	\$381.00
1996–97	101	1,379	\$507,998	\$368.00
1997–98	71	1,987	\$551,358	\$278.00
1998–99	121	1,620	\$601,780	\$371.00
1999–00	148	1,718	\$783,855	\$456.00
2000–01	155	1,838	\$870,872	\$474.00
2001–02	209	1,877	\$970,975	\$517.00
2002–03	191	1,479	\$1,040,133	\$703.00
2003–04	243	1,723	\$1,053,525	\$611.00
2004–05	295	1,569	\$1,066,050	\$679.00
2005–06	362	1,811	\$1,071,665	\$592.00
2006–07	262	1,631	\$1,539,246	\$944.00
2007–08	321	2,236	\$1,691,407	\$756.00
2008–09	310	3,484	\$1,897,362	\$545.00
2009–10	317	2,779	\$1,884,796	\$678.00
2010–11	355	2,710	\$1,794,003	\$662.00
2011–12	380	2,642	\$1,758,289	\$665.51
2012–13	362	2,101	\$1,585,717	\$754.74
2013–14	396	2,436	\$1,768,573	\$726.02
2014–15	421	2,335	\$1,597,657	\$684.22
Totals		47,188	\$26,247,703	

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION



June 30, 2015

ASSETS

2015

INVESTMENTS	30,952,957
INVESTMENTS HELD FOR OTHER	6,099,283
CASH HELD FOR ENDOWMENT PURPOSES	229,725
CASH SURRENDER VALUE OF LIFE INSURANCE	455,438
OTHER ASSETS	4,037,071
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 41,774,474

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 4,832
Charitable gift annuity liability	201,309
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	206,141
INVESTMENTS HELD FOR OTHER	6,099,283
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,305,424

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	931,309
Restricted	34,537,741
TOTAL NET ASSETS	35,469,050
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 41,774,474

The above information has been summarized from financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation is audited annually by an independent public accounting firm.

2014–15 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ 40 new funds were created during this fiscal year
- ▶ More than 3,250 donors contributed a total of \$4.9 million to funds at the foundation
- ▶ MCCF had over \$37 million in investments with an allocation of 60% in equities and 40% in fixed income
- ▶ MCCF awarded 2,335 scholarships and program grants totaling \$2.74 million, bringing the total awarded grants since 1977 to \$28.8 million
- ▶ The average scholarship award was \$684
- ▶ There are now 131 members in our planned gifts legacy society and 55 supporters in our life endowment insurance program (\$2.8 million)

\$684
AVERAGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

40
NEW FUNDS CREATED

\$37
million
IN INVESTMENTS

MCCF BOARD HOSTED RECEPTIONS TO SUPPORT STUDENT SUCCESS

The dedication of our Foundation Board Members is endless. This year several members hosted networking events in small group settings, in an effort to give others the opportunity to become involved with the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation.

The Foundation Board held these events to showcase the Foundation, allow others to hear from our scholarship recipients, provide significant networking opportunities and most importantly, to encourage support for students.

The small group events each had their own focus including an in-depth look at the Campaign for Student Success.



Misha Patel Terrazas, Dr. Irene Kovala, Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick, Heidi Schaefer

Our thanks go out to the hosts of the 2014/2015 events:

- Rudy Parga, Shareholder, Ryley Carlock
- Heidi Schaefer, Director Corporate Taxes, SRP
- Russ Johnson, President and Chief Executive Officer, Merchant Information Solutions, Inc.

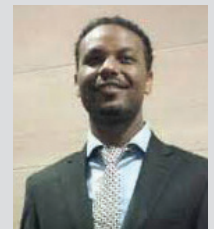
- Gregg Ostro, President, Go Media
- Ashley Kasarjian, Counsel, Snell & Wilmer
- Misha Patel Terrazas, Area President, Metro East Wells Fargo

Engagement in the community is key to our success. We are eager to share our story, goals, opportunities and accomplishments with key groups of constituents.

If you would like more information about hosting a small group event, please contact Mary O'Connor, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer at 480-731-8403.

"I'm originally from Eritrea, East Africa, and came to the U.S. as a political refugee. I found community college fits to my plan because it is affordable and provides a flexible schedule, scholarship opportunities, and is the best place to improve and grow."

– Kibreab Solomon
Phoenix College
Diane H. Thomas Scholarship and
All-Arizona Academic Team Scholarship Recipient



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

The Foundation distributes more than \$1.5 million in scholarship funds annually to an average of 2,000 students. Autumn Barber is just one of the many students. Autumn is a non-traditional student whose life was turned upside down after her husband, Tempe Police Detective Tim Barber, died of prostate cancer, three years ago. At the time, she was pregnant with twins.



Autumn Barber with her twins.

Autumn, the 2014–15 recipient of the Women's Philanthropy Circle Scholarship, is now able to attend school full-time thanks to the generosity of Foundation donors. **"Returning to school is emotional for me, but I know that Tim would be excited for my being granted this scholarship,"** she said. **"Kind gestures like these are what make it possible for me to pursue my degree and help others in the future."**

Autumn's focus is on providing a good life for her children, showing them that with hard work and sacrifice, any goal can be reached. She is a student at Chandler-Gilbert Community College and plans to transfer to a local university to complete a degree in Psychology.

FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Award-winning interior designer and MCCF board member Lynne Beyer gives more than just her time to the Foundation. She has established the Lynne Beyer Design Excellence Scholarship for students attending Scottsdale Community College (SCC).

Lynne, who is an Allied member of the American Society of Interior Designers and a SCC alum herself, remains a faithful friend to the community colleges, which she credits for giving her the educational base and footing for what has been a rewarding career.

Her scholarship is awarded annually to a full-time student in good standing in SCC's Interior Design program. Lynne sits on the committee that makes the selection, which is based on their submitted portfolio of first-year interior design course work, professional promise and academic achievement.

"Being an alumna of SCC, it is an honor to be able to give back to the program that prepared me so well for my interior design career," she said.

Lynne began studying interior design in her home state at the University of Wisconsin-Madison while working at her mother's design firm. When her mother relocated to Phoenix and began working in Scottsdale,

Lynne decided to join her. Initially planning to go to ASU, she ultimately chose SCC based on its reputation and flexibility as she wanted to continue working in interior design at the same time.



Lynne Beyer

Known for her work with residential clients, home builders, commercial developers and hospitality companies, Lynne is a recognizable figure in the Valley's design community. Among her many awards, Lynne has garnered Best In Show distinction for both residential and commercial design work. In 2013, she extended her portfolio by creating and designing furniture with Century Furniture, one of the world's largest privately owned furniture manufacturers.

With the encouragement of her husband and fellow Foundation board member, Ric Loope (who is an architect and former ASU professor), Lynne established her endowment as an expression of gratitude for the college that helped launch her successful career.

Lynn and Ric are an integral part of the MCCF's Board of Directors, and encourage others to engage their passion for education and helping students.

MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION TEAM



*Front row
(left to right)*
Mary Mickels
Mary O'Connor
Judy Sanchez

Second row
Rosalie Johnson
Pat Wyler
Lee McCracken
Chris LeBlanc
Linnea Sarkis

Back row
Erica Outcalt
Cindy Zimmer
Kalena Tucker
Letty Graham-Corona
Jeanette Stephens



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