The latest news from the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation

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## Foundation Update January 2020



We thank you for supporting student success.







Heroes of Education Recognition Dinner



### Individual Hero of Education Honoree

David Adame, President and CEO, Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.

Recognized for his longtime commitment to education and empowering students.



Partnering for Workforce Success

April 8, 2020

JW Marriott Scottsdale Camelback Inn Resort & Spa

> 5402 East Lincoln Drive I Paradise Valley, AZ

5:00 p.m. Reception I 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Proceeds from Heroes of Education benefit student scholarship and program support in accordance with our vision that everyone has the opportunity to improve their lives through education.



# Corporate Hero of Education Honoree

#### State Farm

Recognized for their continued generosity in providing numerous scholarships and programs across the Maricopa Community Colleges District.

**Sponsor Heroes of Education** 

### Heroes of Education Recognition Dinner Committee



#### Julie Rees Co-chair

Secretary, Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation Board of Directors Triadvocates Public Affairs



Kathleen Winn Co-chair

Secretary, Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board of Directors



Deborah Carstens Honorary Chair Principal, Carstens Family Funds



Paul Luna Honorary Chair President and CEO, Helios Education Foundation

### Foundation Recognition



#### Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation Reaches GuideStar Platinum Level Allows Donors to Focus on Progress and Results

The Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation, has earned the Platinum GuideStar Nonprofit Profile Seal of Transparency, the highest level of recognition offered by GuideStar, the world's largest source of nonprofit information. By sharing metrics that highlight the progress the Foundation is making toward its vision, to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to improve their lives through education, GuideStar helps donors move beyond simplistic ways of nonprofit evaluation.

"It is our long-term belief to be transparent about everything we do," said Brian Spicker, Interim President and CEO, Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation. "We're thrilled to convey our results in this manner. Being designated at the Platinum level, we can now easily share a wealth of up-to-date organizational metrics with our supporters as well as GuideStar's immense online audience, which includes donors, grant makers, our peers, and the media."

To reach the Platinum level, the Foundation added extensive information to its Nonprofit Profile on GuideStar: basic contact and organizational information; in-depth financial information; qualitative information about goals, strategies, and capabilities; and quantitative information about results and progress toward its mission.

To learn more about GuideStar Platinum, visit https://learn.guidestar.org/platinum. Visit the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation at www.mcccdf.org.

# **Program Support**

Let's allow our students to study, without worry.

Support programs that provide resources for students to thrive.

Food Pantry Fund I Hope Scholarship I Emergency Funds



Read About Jon'tasia and the Food Pantry Fund



Read About Luis and the Hope Scholarship



Read About Jennifer and the Emergency Fund

### Partnership Spotlight



#### Partnership With Earn to Learn Empowers Students to Complete College via Scholarship Program

Earn to Learn is a needs-based scholarship program, that teaches financial literacy and rewards students and families committed to saving money to attend Maricopa Community Colleges, ASU, NAU, UA and Pima Community College with \$4,000 of matching scholarship funding. Using matched-savings accounts, qualifying students who make deposits for at least six months and meet their savings goal before attending one of the educational partners will earn \$4,000 in matching funds to pay for tuition and fees. The matching scholarship, funded by the Foundation to Maricopa students, is renewable depending on ongoing funding as long as students remain eligible and continue to meet their savings goal each year.

"The Earn to Learn partnership provides a great opportunity for our students," said Brian Spicker, Interim President and CEO, Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation. "Starting at a Maricopa Community College before transferring to a university is an affordable option and this program helps provide a smooth transition between institutions by relieving some of the financial burden."

To learn more about Earn to Learn, click here. Learn more about Maricopa Community College transfer options, here.

### Donor Generosity



### Onward Success Scholarship Supports Students Dealing with Incarceration

A new scholarship has been established by the IBIS Foundation of Arizona, in support of students that have either been or have parents who were incarcerated, inspiring them to complete their college education.

The Onward Success Scholarship created at the Foundation, is available to students enrolled at any of the Maricopa Community Colleges and supports the IBIS Foundation of Arizona's vision that each individual's quality of life is connected to the overall well-being of the community and that access to health services and education are basic rights, that should not be determined by a person's socioeconomic status.

To learn more about the Onward Success Scholarship, click here.

The Maricopa Community Colleges offers several incarcerated and community re-entry programs available through Rio Salado College. Learn more.

## Student Success



### **GWCC Scholarship Student Helps Others Maximize Potential**

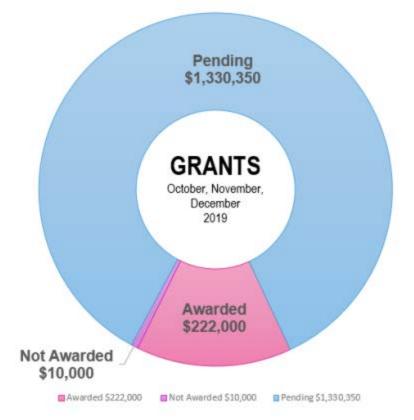
GateWay Community College (GWCC) student Miguel Gonzalez works as a math and science tutor on campus. "My job there isn't to lecture students on the material being covered," he said. "It's to guide and answer any questions students have in the hopes that they get a better understanding of the concepts they are learning."

The recipient of the Dr. Baugh Math Lovers Scholarship says his goal is, "to talk less and listen more," so that he can help students learn, in whatever way they can to maximize their potential.

Miguel plans to earn a degree in mechanical engineering at ASU after he completes his requirements at GWCC. Read more.

# **Grant Activity**

**Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation** 



#### Awarded

Philip E. and Carole R. Ratcliffe Foundation Verizon Foundation Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

### Pending

AZ Diamondbacks Foundation Arizona Republic SRP State Farm Del E. Webb Foundation Helios Foundation Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona

#### Not Awarded

Lawrence Foundation Brady Shines

### **District News**

# THE ASPEN) INSTITUTE COLLEGE EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

#### Aspen Institute Names Seven Maricopa Community Colleges Eligible for National Prize Competition

The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program named the nation's top 150 community colleges eligible to compete for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, the nation's signature recognition of high achievement and performance among America's community colleges.

Chandler-Gilbert Community College, Estrella Mountain Community College, Mesa Community College, Paradise Valley Community College, Phoenix College, Scottsdale Community College, and South Mountain Community College have been named eligible for the Aspen Prize Competition. Based on strong and improving student outcomes—including in learning, completion rates, employment rates, and earnings, and equity—only 15 percent of community colleges nationwide have been invited to apply for the Aspen Prize.

"The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program recognizes our commitment to the success of our students and dedication to serving our community," said Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick, Chancellor. "Having seven of our colleges named as an Aspen Prize Top 150 U.S. Community College strengthens MCCCD's position as a leader in creating high-quality academics for the state of Arizona."

Read the full story here.

## Upcoming Events Across the Maricopa District

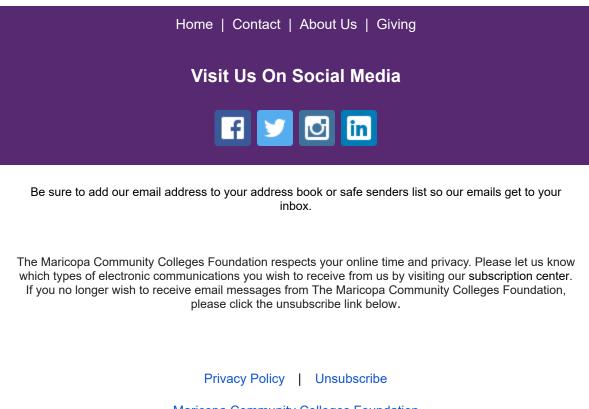
Empty Bowls Fundraiser at Chandler Gilbert Community College Williams Campus February 11, 2020 http://www.cgc.edu/Students/studentlife/slearning/Pages/Empty-Bowls.aspx

Runway for Success at GateWay Community College March 6, 2020 https://www.gatewaycc.edu/calendar/runway-success-2020

Food Justice: Creating Equity in Sustainable Food Systems at Rio Salado College Conference Center March 18, 2020 https://events.maricopa.edu/event/food-justice-creating-equity-sustainable-food-systems

Heroes of Education Recognition Dinner - *Partnering for Workforce Success* April 8, 2020 http://www.mcccdf.org/heroes20 **2020** Artists of Promise Gala and Art Exhibition at Herberger Theater April 23, 2020 https://events.maricopa.edu/event/artists-promise-gala-and-art-exhibition

Phoenix College 100th Anniversary Gala November 21, 2020 www.phoenixcollege.edu/100



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