Dear friends,

Much like the support SCC received from voters in 1986 when the community college was established 35 years ago, we are thankful to still have your support today.

The 35th anniversary of SCC is meaningful to us and to many in our community, both then and now, who worked tirelessly to ensure that affordable, accessible, quality higher education is available to students in our community.

Even with the pandemic stretching on, we were able to increase the number of scholarships this year. The new ‘Be Transformed Gala & Auction’ finally saw its successful debut as a virtual event, after its in-person launch was postponed twice.

Creativity is everywhere, and our faculty and staff continually pushed to find new ways of working to ensure students get the education they need to be successful.

Voters showed support On Aug. 4, for Proposition Community College, with more than 67 percent voting yes. The bond issue will support workforce readiness, STEM education, student services and security.

As you read this Foundation Annual Report, I hope it is inspirational to hear about the impact our college and our community has on our students. We know they have promising futures, and we appreciate you helping them to achieve their educational goals.

Thank you again for your support of this great college, and for our many students.

Sincerely,

Barbara R. Kavalier, Ph.D.
SCC president
Scholarships Support SCC Nursing Students

Giving scholarships to nursing students is a priority for the Friends of SSM St. Joseph Auxiliary, and their support has made a lasting impact on students and the patients they serve.

More than 120 members, made up of retirees and other volunteers, are dedicated to the mission. Marilyn Bock, Auxiliary president, joined the group when she retired from her nursing position at SSM Health. The Auxiliary has been around for more than 80 years.

Fundraisers, like the sale of Mother’s Day planters, allow them to support scholarships and a number of projects that enhance the hospital’s ability to care for patients, visitors and employees. The planter sale was back on this year after a hiatus in 2020. Bock hopes their meetings, trips, Christmas luncheon and trivia night events will be back soon too.

Other projects they supported recently included upgraded emergency room security cameras, clothing for people who come to the Emergency Room and may not have anything to wear, blanket warmers and more.

The Auxiliary provides three $1,000 scholarships to St. Charles Community College students each year.

“Supporting people in health fields, along with the hospital and patients, are important causes. We are proud of what we do, and we enjoy the social aspect.”

– Marilyn Bock, RN, BSN, Auxiliary president
**MEET LAURETTA**

2020 recipient, Friends of SSM St. Joseph Auxiliary Nursing Scholarship and current nursing student.

Changing careers while working and parenting is a big undertaking. When Lauretta received the Friends of SSM St. Joseph Auxiliary Scholarship, she said it helped validate her decision to become a nurse.

"Thank you," Lauretta said. "Your contribution has positively affected my life."

**MEET EMILY**

2019 Recipient, Friends of SSM St. Joseph Auxiliary Nursing Scholarship and recent nursing grad.

After working as a medical assistant for a couple years, Emily knew there was more in her future, and decided to pursue a nursing degree. She graduated in December 2020 with her Associate of Science in Nursing.

"It is awesome that you picked me for a scholarship. I cried tears of joy when I found out," Emily said. "The scholarship allowed me to focus on academics."
**2021 FOUNDATION-FUNDED GRANTS**
- 3Doodler pens for children’s STEM camps
- Bedside cabinet for Nursing Program
- Blood pressure cuff and stethoscope for Patient Care Tech Program
- Box Office improvements
- Democracy Days
- E-books for Nursing and Occupational Therapy Assistant Program
- Manikins with different genders and skin colors
- Microphones for Performing Arts Program
- Oven for Chemistry Department
- Privacy screens for Certified Nurse Assistant testing
- Refrigerator for lactation room, Dardenne Creek Campus
- Stethoscopes for Medical Assistant Program
- Telemetry equipment for Nursing Program

**2021 CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS FUNDED BY EMPLOYEE SPONSORED PROGRAM**
- Reception tables and covers for Fine Arts Building

**2020 GRANTS FUNDED BY GIVING TUESDAY CAMPAIGN**
- Display boards for Art & Graphic Design Department
- Lending Library for English Language & Culture Institute
- Models and stir plates for Chemistry Department
- E-books on antiracism for the Library

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**E-books for Occupational Therapy Students**
Access to additional and specialized e-books remotely through SCC’s library will supplement textbooks and help OTA students get needed resources 24 hours a day, and keep costs down as they complete fieldwork and prepare for a career.

**Studio Completion for Online and E-Learning**
Adding a green screen floor to the existing studio allowed for a more professional space where faculty members can create the videos they need to teach in today’s classrooms, many of which are remote and online.

**Supplies for Culinary and Agricultural Center**
Additional supplies for the Field to Table: Culinary and Agricultural Center at the Dardenne Creek campus not covered by a state grant, like pots, pans and kitchen utensils for the culinary program and fencing for the agriculture program, were funded.

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*Your gifts make a difference. Learn how you can support academic and program enhancements at SCC. Please contact Betsy Schneider, executive director of SCC Foundation, bschneider@stchas.edu.*
SCC Men of Color: Student Success Program receives $20,000 from Midwest BankCentre

Orvin T. Kimbrough, chairman and CEO of Midwest BankCentre, believes one’s agency, not the color of their skin or the circumstances into which they were born, should decide how fast and far they can go.

When he heard about St. Charles Community College’s new Men of Color: Student Success Program, he saw a great opportunity to make a difference.

“The Men of Color: Student Success Program is specifically designed to act as an accelerant to help young black men succeed,” explained Kimbrough, “a group that has historically and currently has comparatively lower college graduation rates.”

That’s why he helped secure a $20,000 donation from Midwest BankCentre to help jumpstart the program.

“My hope is that this scholarship fund can help change people’s lives by giving them greater access to financial resources and other supports that give them the best shot at winning,” he said.

The Men of Color: Student Success Program at SCC is specifically designed to support minority high school students as they navigate through the college experience and into a life of success. The program includes financial scholarships, academic support, social engagement, mentorship and connections with successful community leaders.

Learn more about the Men of Color: Student Success Program at stchas.edu/menofcolor.
Today and tomorrow.

SUPPORTING students

Voters showed support on Aug. 4, 2020, for Proposition Community College, with more than 67 percent voting yes. In March 2021, SCC broke ground on the new Department of Public Safety building on campus. Future bond issue projects include a workforce and technical building, additional STEM labs and a redesign of student services.

>>> Learn more at stchas.edu/propcc.

A ribbon cutting in August marked the grand opening of the new Culinary and Agricultural Center located on the Dardenne Creek Campus, thanks to a state grant. The building, previously a gym, was transformed into a space that features a bakery, test kitchen, commercial kitchen and brewing lab. The Center was named a finalist in the St. Louis Business Journal’s Building St. Louis Awards 2021. The campus renovation was regionally recognized in the Public/Private Project Less Than $10 Million category based on its community impact and design.
SCC Celebrates 35th Anniversary

A long tradition of support from the community began more than 35 years ago when voters approved the formation of the St. Charles Community College district on April 1, 1986.

SCC held its first classes in June 1987 with nearly 400 students. By the fall 1987 semester, 1,547 students were enrolled in credit classes, and other non-credit, continuing education programs were taking shape. Groundbreaking for the first phase of building construction took place on June 6, 1990. The new four-building campus was officially dedicated in a public ceremony on Jan. 26, 1992. Since that time, SCC’s campus has been through three additional construction phases.

SCC expanded its campus operations to Dardenne Prairie in February 2017. The SCC-Dardenne Creek Campus was officially dedicated in May 2018.

In April 2019, SCC broke ground on a new student housing facility on campus. In January 2020, the first students moved into the Campus Lake Apartments, ushering in a new era for SCC as a residential campus.

Today, approximately one out of every five St. Charles County high school graduates attend SCC.

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As the administrator for NHC – National HealthCare Corporation - St. Charles, Seth Peimann is proud of his caring team and how dedicated they are in caring for their patients. This past year has tested the medical community and those who care for others in ways never imagined.

Before beginning his career, Seth took a class at St. Charles Community College that helped him identify careers that aligned to his talents and interests. He knew becoming a doctor, like his two older brothers, was not the path for him, and was determined to find a career that he found fulfilling and be in service to others.

Giving back to the community he was from, by serving for the last 12 years on the board of the St. Charles Community College Foundation, is a cause he believes in. The mission to support students with scholarships and academic enhancements, especially nursing students, is close to him. Seth sees firsthand, every day at work, the important role educated nurses have in the senior care environment. He said the connections he has made during his service to the SCC Foundation have been invaluable to him and his coworkers. Seth said he strives to be a resource for others as they begin or complete their education journey.

“SCC’s learning environment was what I needed at the time and assisted me in completing a bachelor’s degree at the University of Missouri-Columbia,” Seth said. “The teachers at SCC instilled the confidence I needed.”
MEET MEG

December 2020 graduate, scholarship recipient and future nurse.

Meg graduated with her Associate of Science in Nursing. She is now officially licensed as an RN and is doing acute care and neurology nursing at St. Louis University Hospital.

“In the midst of the chaos this year, to be gifted with a scholarship was huge for my family,” Meg said.

Although she earned a different degree when she was younger, Meg’s experience in the hospital when she had her kids, including one with special needs, helped her realize nursing was the career for her.

As a working mom with a husband and two kids, Meg said she has learned to have an attitude of learning and doing better. Having access to a quality education is something she is grateful for, especially considering everything happening right now.

She described her professors at SCC as “phenomenal” - not only were they good at teaching their subjects, they made her feel genuinely respected. And, the extra help from receiving the scholarship was welcome.

“Thank you doesn’t quite cover it,” Meg said. “The scholarship allowed me to focus on my studies wholeheartedly. Becoming a nurse is a true calling for me, and you allowed me to get my degree.”

35+ SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS GRADUATED THIS YEAR.
MAKE AN impact

Events engage alumni and friends.

Presidents Classic Golf Scramble

Golfers, sponsors and individuals raised more than $35,000 at the 24th Annual Presidents Classic Golf Scramble on Monday, Sept. 28, at Old Hickory Golf Club. Chuck Pilliod served as chair of the event.

“We are so thankful for the commitment and support of our community, even with the challenges present this year,” said Betsy Schneider, SCC Foundation executive director and special assistant to the president.

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Be Transformed - SCC Foundation Gala & Auction

Friends, alumni and family members raised $47,000 for scholarships and academic enhancements during the virtual "Be Transformed" Gala & Auction on April 10, 2021. Scott Liebel, SCC Foundation Board president and long-time supporter, was event chair. Mike Elam was emcee.

"It has been a challenging year for us all. With the community's support, we have been able to make an impact in the lives of our students, faculty and staff during this unprecedented time," Liebel said.

Postponed from its scheduled live debut at Ameristar in April of 2020, the video program and bidding moved online. Participants hosted watch parties and party boxes were delivered to help supporters celebrate at home.

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Alumni Association

Are you a proud SCC alum? You're invited to join the Alumni Association. There is no cost and members have opportunities to make an impact and to stay connected with the college, students and each other. stchas.edu/alumni

SAVE THE DATES

The SCC Foundation matches #GivingTuesday gifts made to SCC departments to enhance teaching and learning.

Give the gift of EDUCATION.

#GIVING TUESDAY

NOVEMBER 30, 2021

ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

#GiveToSCC | stchas.edu/givingtuesday

You’re invited to “Be Transformed” for an evening as we all come together to support a worthwhile cause – education. All proceeds support scholarships and academic enhancements.

For tickets or more information, visit stchas.edu/gala or call 636-922-8278.
Giving remained strong this year, in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. As SCC took a hybrid approach by offering classes remote, online, and a few in person, support for scholarships and academic enhancements continued.

Results were up this year for Giving Tuesday, the annual giving day after Thanksgiving, with more than $7,000 in gifts; and the Be Transformed Gala & Auction continued the trend of online giving, when it moved to the virtual format in the spring.

The existing Student Emergency Fund administered through SCC’s Office of Student Life, received additional donations to provide one-time assistance to students affected by COVID-19 in need of necessities to help them complete classes.

When the state offered the annual enhancement grant funding, the Foundation Board approved $25,000 to add to the amount SCC was eligible to get matched by the state for curriculum enhancement, instructional equipment, facility improvement and educational resources.

As we continue to push forward, we appreciate everyone coming together this year to support our mission. With an increasing number of students, faculty and staff receiving COVID-19 vaccinations, SCC plans to be fully back on campus this fall.
Thank you to the generous ... community members, leaders, philanthropists, business and industry, private foundations and more who supported the SCC Foundation in 2020.

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Brenda Fraser & Patrice Billings *
Judith P. Hodge
Scott and Denise Liebel **
Dr. Betty Tyree Oskie *
Ms. Russlyn (Rusty) St. John *
Tom and Cathy Wootten

Thank you to Horace Mann, Mike Martin and Dr. Holly Martin for their Giving Tuesday donation to the SCC Foundation! Mike was part of a winning team in Horace Mann’s virtual trivia tournament, and was awarded $500 to donate to the school of his choice - SCC!

* Denotes SCC employee or SCC retiree at time of gift
* Denotes SCC Board of Trustees or Foundation Board member or Alumni Council member
* Denotes President’s Leadership Circle member
Since 1995, the Employee Sponsored Program (ESP) has been spreading compassion and goodwill to students, co-workers and our community.

Listed by years of membership are employees who signed up or renewed ESP gifts for the 2020-21 academic year.

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180 ESP members raised nearly $30,000 to support:

- **SCHOLARSHIPS** to help students reach their educational dreams.
- **CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS** to make the college a better place to learn and work.
- **CELEBRATION OF LIFE AND NEW LIFE** to show compassion to fellow team members during times of grief and celebrate with them in welcoming little ones into the world.

* Denotes ESP donors retiring in 2020-21
¶ Denotes SCC retirees giving to ESP
ž Denotes ESP committee members
Thanks to Bob Ronkoski, SCC chief of police, a criminal justice scholarship is helping community college students prepare for careers as police officers, investigators and victim advocates or is giving students a start to the education they need to transfer to a university.

Bob established the James F. Ronkoski Memorial Scholarship in 2008 in honor of his father, who inspired his own career path in law enforcement.

Bob’s father served as a military police officer in the U.S. Army in both the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He earned two Meritorious Service medals, a Purple Heart medal and a Heroism medal. When he retired as a first sergeant in 1968, James worked as a police officer for the City of Brentwood, Mo., until he retired.

Bob began his own education at a community college. He earned an associate degree, a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, Missouri Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certification and has worked more than 40 years in public safety and law enforcement.

At SCC, Bob encourages staff in the Department of Public Safety to be service-minded, both on campus and in the community. They help students and employees in many different ways on campus, to ensure needs are met.

Currently Bob also is serving as the mayor of Cottleville, Mo.

“The scholarship is named after my father, who was dedicated to public service. More than anything, he loved talking to everyone and being a part of the community.”

– Bob Ronkoski, SCC chief of police
Dear Friends,

We are proud to report that when students needed help this year, the SCC Foundation was able to provide much-needed assistance. That’s because we all worked together to make it happen, even as the pandemic continued.

Your amazing support, through scholarship donations, academic program support, charitable trusts, gifts-in-kind, virtual gala bidding, golfers, sponsorships and employee giving, was absolutely remarkable. Please know that every gift was celebrated by the members of the SCC Foundation board. Without gatherings it is has been a challenge to thank everyone, however, we still very much appreciate your help and continued support.

I hope you enjoy reading about some highlights from this year in this Foundation Annual Report. We encourage you to share the stories, and to let others know how much a scholarship can positively impact a student’s ability to get a college education. Also, that our teachers appreciate being able to enhance the quality of their instruction with much needed classroom resources.

It is a rewarding experience when people come together to support a good cause. When we all contribute, even in small amounts, we transform lives.

Thank you,

Chuck Pilliod
SCC Foundation Board president

The Foundation would like to thank departing board members Cindy Elking, Graham Fisher, Tom Hebson and Seth Peimann for their support and service to the Foundation Board.
WAYS TO GIVE OF YOUR time, talents and treasures

President’s Leadership Circle
SCC’s President’s Leadership Circle recognizes individual donors who make a leadership gift of $1,000 or more to impact student success through scholarships and academic/program enhancements.

Employee-Sponsored Program
SCC’s employees donate annually to support scholarships, campus enhancements and the Celebration of Life program. See pages 16-17 for more information.

Scholarship Program
Individuals, businesses and community organizations establish named scholarships to support student success. Donors may also contribute to the general scholarship fund awarded by the SCC Foundation each year.

Area of Greatest Need
Individuals, businesses and community organizations may make donations to help SCC fund an area of greatest need.

Academic and Program Enhancements
Individuals, businesses and community organizations make gifts and grants that enhance our academic and program offerings to keep a high-quality education affordable.

Legacy Society
SCC’s Legacy Society recognizes donors who have established planned gifts that designate SCC as a beneficiary in their estate plans.

Student Emergency Fund
This fund provides one-time financial assistance to students in crisis who are in need of necessities to help them complete their classes.

Memorial and Tributary
Relatives and friends may recognize a loved one through memorial and tributary gifts. Paver bricks may also be purchased to honor or remember family, friends, co-workers and other loved ones.

Endowments
Endowed funds are invested with the intention of providing income for scholarships as well as academic and program enhancements for years to come.

Gifts In-Kind
SCC appreciates donations of items or services that can be used in academic programs or for further fundraising, such as auction or raffle items.

Volunteer
Activities and events are successful because members of our community volunteer their time and talents to help the SCC Foundation achieve their goals.

Board Membership
Committed, connected and collaborative individuals provide personal and professional support through gifts of time, talent and resources.

Corporate Sponsorships
We partner with businesses, philanthropists, private foundations and others in our community.

Events
SCC hosts a number of events and fundraisers throughout the year that draw thousands of community members and students.

Paver Bricks
Paver Bricks may be purchased to honor or remember family members, friends, co-workers and other loved ones; or to recognize individuals achieving life milestones such as graduation.

Contact Us
LEARN HOW YOU CAN CUSTOMIZE A GIFT THAT BEST FITS YOUR PASSION.

The SCC Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, raises funds to support student scholarships as well as academic and program enhancements for the college.

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We celebrated virtually with our 2021 graduates.  
Congrats students and THANK YOU to everyone who gives to make this possible!