



# ANNUAL REPORT

# 2019

CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

**Karla**  
Medical Assisting Student  
Discover  
**Chemeketa**  
Community College Yallah Valley



# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is an honor and a privilege to serve Chemeketa and to be a part of this wonderful community. From the moment I arrived in the summer of 2019, I have felt welcomed and supported. It was not just faculty and staff from within the college that gave me this impression, it was donors and community members throughout our district. People like you, who believe in the power and promise of education.

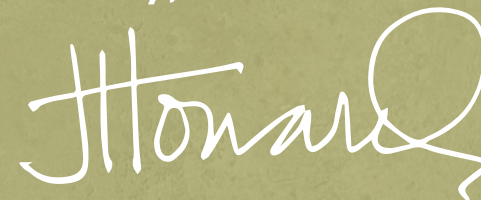
Chemeketa is truly a transformative place; we are the community's college. Our mission is to offer students an opportunity to explore, learn, and succeed through quality education experiences and workforce training. Whether it is a recent high school graduate who intends to ultimately transfer to a university or a returning student who might be years or even decades removed from the classroom, we meet students where they are and help them achieve their goals. Student success looks different for every student. Some may be seeking a credential or a license to bolster their career. Other students may be striving for academic proficiency to take college-level courses, which will open doors to new worlds and opportunities.

One thing that is consistent for most of our students at Chemeketa is the need for financial assistance. Because of you, students are able to afford tuition, buy textbooks, obtain child care, and receive emergency funds. Because of you, scholarship recipients are able to concentrate on their studies and gain valuable career experience without having to work an untenable number of hours or be riddled with anxiety over college costs and paying back student loans.

I have heard students share that they would not have been able to stay enrolled in classes and be on track to graduate were it not for the help of our generous Foundation donors. I want to thank you for your dedication to our students and our community. Your philanthropy makes a profound difference.

Thank you for making me feel part of this community and thank you for your help making Chemeketa a place where students can succeed.

Sincerely,



Jessica Howard  
Chemeketa President





“I enlisted in the United States Marine Corps right out of high school and served from 2004-2008. I was deployed to Iraq two times during my four-year enlistment. I was diagnosed with severe PTSD and depression after returning home and have been in therapy and in support groups for many years now. As a disabled veteran, I was unable to find work. I am on a fixed income and have four beautiful children ranging from ages 2-9 years-old.

I never imagined that I’d have the opportunity to attend college, but here I am living the dream. I am currently in the Automotive Technology Program and am about to complete my first year of the two-year program. It has been my dream to own my own shop since I was in middle school. Ultimately, I want to be involved with the Marion County Veteran Treatment Court by offering my fellow veterans an affordable option to fix their cars. One of the biggest issues many veterans face is reliable transportation. I want to help them get back on their feet and give back to a community that helped me so much when I needed it.

I’ve worked really hard to manage my condition, and this scholarship takes a big weight off my shoulders financially. Now, I can keep focusing on my education, my family, and my mental health. Thank you for this chance.”

*Juventino*

***SAFF Family Scholarship recipient***

The Saff Family Scholarship offers students from all backgrounds access to higher education. Preference given to students in under-served communities who have a strong desire to use their education to improve their own lives, as well as their local and global communities.





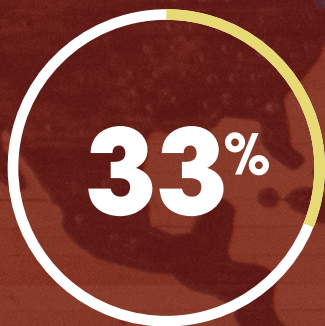
# STUDENT DIVERSITY

Chemeketa is a college community enriched by the diversity of our students, staff, and community members.

We are proud that our students have the opportunity to learn from people of different backgrounds, experiences, preferences, life stages, and worldviews.

"I AM A FIRST-GENERATION STUDENT AND THE ELDEST OF MY SIBLINGS. AS MY SISTERS GROW OLDER AND ENTER INTO THE COLLEGE PHASE, I WANT TO HELP THEM EVERY WAY I CAN BY BEING A GOOD ROLE MODEL AND FACILITATING THE COLLEGE PROCESS FOR THEM. ACCOMPLISHING MY GOALS MAY INVOLVE SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, TEARS, AND STRESS, BUT WITH YOUR HELP AND BY APPLYING ALL I HAVE LEARNED, I WILL SUCCEED."

RUBI  
ABEENE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



ARE STUDENTS OF COLOR



ARE 25 AND YOUNGER

9,817

FULL-TIME STUDENT ENROLLMENT



3 out of 10

STUDENTS ARE FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS

3 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

STUDENTS ATTENDED CHEMEKETA FROM 43 COUNTRIES





***Redford Wetle Farms Scholarship recipient***

Formerly Amity Vineyard Scholarship, this scholarship was established by Vikki Wetle and Myron Redford to support education in our community. Recipients must be attending Chemeketa full time and be pursuing a professional-technical or transfer degree.

“I grew up in a poor family who were rich in love. I was surrounded by a variety of cultures, religions, and personalities. I chose to study at Chemeketa not only because of the affordable tuition, but also because their commitment to diversity spoke volumes to me. Chemeketa means, “place of peace,” and I have found that to be true. I’ve found peace of mind and in the atmosphere around me while receiving a quality education. I’ve formed many partnerships with students and faculty of various backgrounds and enjoy interacting with those who represent the diversity of this world.

I’ve worked since I was 12 years old. I know the value of hard work and the struggles of making a better life for your family. I have been so inspired knowing that donors like you are willing to give to support a stranger’s dream. I’m overwhelmed with gratitude at your kindness and generosity towards someone you’ve never met.

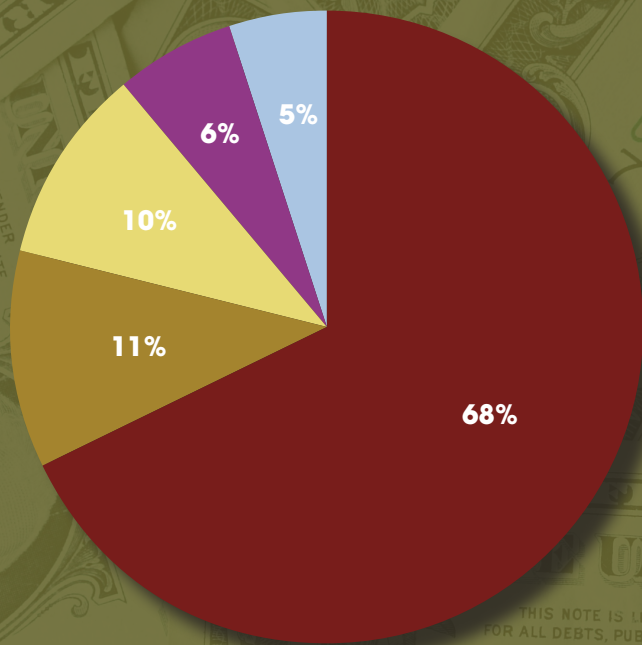
My goal is to become a dental hygienist. I am taking prerequisite courses at Chemeketa before applying to the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) where I can obtain my Bachelors of Science in Dental Hygiene. Since OIT partners with Chemeketa, I can remain at the Salem campus for all of my OIT coursework as well. Your support means more to me than I can express. Your kindness inspires me to continue working hard, uplifting others, and giving back to my community now and in the future. Thank you.”

*Ashley*



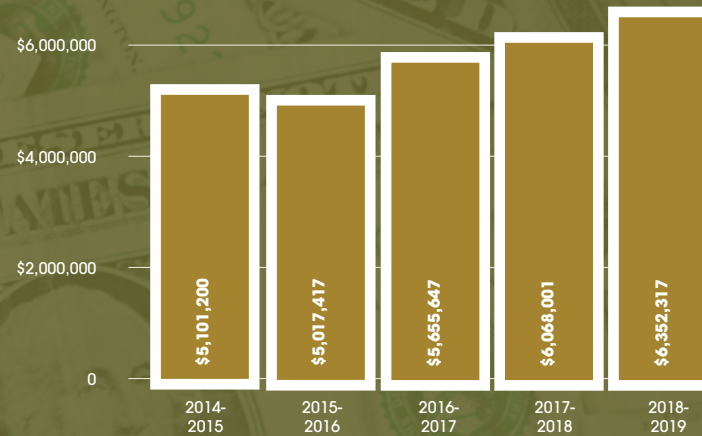
# DOLLARS AND CENTS

The Chemeketa Foundation supports a wide range of student needs including scholarships for students in specific programs, student parents, first-generation college students, incarcerated students, and emergency student relief funds like the food pantry at the Salem and Yamhill campuses.

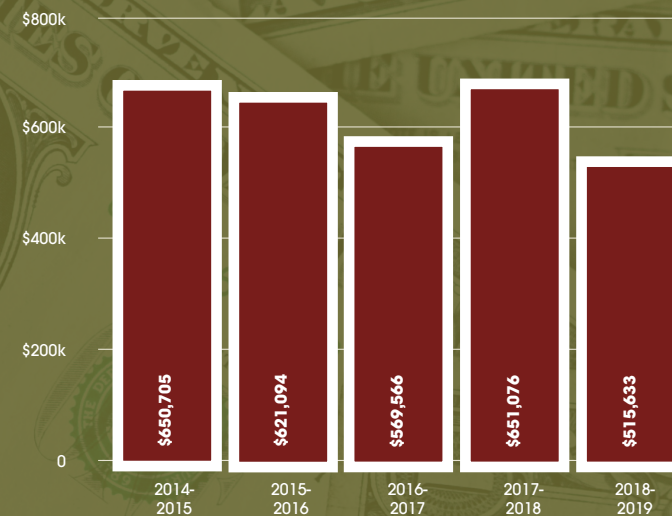


## GIFTS BY DESIGNATION

- Scholarships and program support
- In-kind gifts
- Major gifts
- Estate/bequests
- Unrestricted gifts



**SCHOLARSHIP INVESTMENT FUND**  
The Foundation Board of Directors oversees scholarship and program investment funds.



**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED**  
In 2019, just under 1,700 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships. We were able to award nearly 400 scholarships thanks to the generosity of our donors.

## Support and Revenue

Contributions and bequests	\$703,408
Without donor restriction	\$42,536
With donor restriction	\$660,872
In-kind donations of equipment	\$87,996

## Expenses

Scholarships, student assistance, program support	\$684,433
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## FOUNDATION FINANCIALS

2018-2019

**\$515,633**  
AMOUNT AWARDED IN CHEMEKETA SCHOLARSHIPS

**391**  
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

**\$1,350**  
AVERAGE AWARD AMOUNT PER STUDENT

**65%**  
STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED FINANCIAL AID

**665**  
INDIVIDUAL DONORS

**\$3,780**  
COST FOR FULL-TIME TUITION AND FEES IN 2018-2019



“When I graduated high school, I thought that was all I would need in life to be successful. After a couple of years, I realized that learning was one of the most important things in life and that so many more opportunities would be available to me if I were to go to college and get a degree to pursue something I was passionate about.

Being accepted at Chemeketa and becoming a student leader at the Yamhill Valley Campus has made a drastic change in my life for the better. I have found a second family and have seen my skills grow with each passing term. I am working towards a transfer degree in hopes of transferring to Portland State for my next chapter to continue my path in creative writing. Being in this positive environment has helped me stay motivated and has been a source of inspiration.

In just the last year, I have written four novels and am working towards becoming published. Your support through the Chemeketa Foundation helps me to keep moving further along in my path and motivates me to be the best writer I can be.”

*Seth*

***Newport Family Leadership Award Scholarship recipient***

Established by former Chemeketa President, Don Newport, to provide assistance to full-time students who are also engaged in leadership roles at Chemeketa.





# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

## 7 LOCATIONS

### CAMPUSES

SALEM  
YAMHILL VALLEY

### CENTERS

BROOKS  
EOLA  
POLK

WOODBURN  
CENTER FOR  
BUSINESS AND  
INDUSTRY

Chemeketa's variety of academic programs allows students to find the path to fit their needs.

Whether their goal is to finish their first two years of college, take career and technical training needed to qualify for a job, or finish their high school education—Chemeketa can propel students toward their future.

### Arts and Communication

American Sign Language  
Art  
Communication  
English  
Film Arts  
Foreign Languages

- French
- Japanese
- Russian
- Spanish

Humanities  
Journalism  
Linguistics  
Music  
Philosophy  
Religious Studies  
Theatre Arts  
Writing

### Business and Management

Accounting\*  
Business Management\*  
Business Technology\*  
Entrepreneurship  
Hospitality and Tourism Management\*  
Visual Communications

- Graphic Design
- Interactive Media

### Emergency Services

Corrections  
Criminal Justice\*  
EMT/Paramedic  
Fire Protection\*  
Juvenile Justice  
Law Enforcement

### Health

Anesthesia Technology  
Dental Assisting  
Dental Hygiene+  
Health Education  
Health Information Management  
Hemodialysis  
Human Services

- Addiction Studies
- Social Services

Medical Assisting  
Nursing  
Nutrition  
Pharmacy  
Physical Education  
Speech Language  
Pathology Assistant\*

### Social Sciences and Education

Anthropology  
Chicano/Latino Studies  
Counseling and Guidance  
Education

- Early Childhood
- K-12

Business  
Geography  
History  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Social Science  
Sociology  
Women's Studies

### Technology

Apprenticeship Trades  
Automotive  
Building Inspection  
Computer Information Systems  
Computer Science  
Diesel Technology  
Drafting/CAD  
Electronics  
Engineering  
Machining  
Robotics  
Welding

### Mathematics and Science

Biology  
Chemistry  
General Science  
Geology  
Horticulture  
Mathematics  
Physics  
Wine Studies

\* Degree/certificate available online

+ Programs of other colleges located at Chemeketa

For a complete list and more information, visit [go.chemeketa.edu/programs](http://go.chemeketa.edu/programs)



“I’m pursuing a career in fire service and following in my dad’s footsteps. I began my training at Chemeketa because the small class sizes allow me more one-on-one time with the instructors. The hands-on training with career staff has been so rewarding. My academic goals at Chemeketa are to obtain an Associate’s Degree in Fire Suppression, an Associate’s Degree in Fire Prevention, and a degree in Paramedicine. My long term goal is to become a firefighter paramedic and eventually practice fire investigation.

I am currently enrolled full-time in the fire program and am serving in a leadership role as a cadet captain. For each 24-hour shift we pull at the college’s fire station, I am in charge of looking after my fellow cadets when responding to calls and while at the station. I fill out daily observation reports and attend weekly officer meetings. It has been a very rewarding experience having students look up to me and see me as a leader in the program. I initially chose Chemeketa because it allowed me to live closer to my family and was the most affordable option. Now, I see that Chemeketa offers valuable training with knowledgeable instructors who invest in us to become the best versions of ourselves.

In addition to my studies, I am also working part-time to help cover program costs and tuition. Receiving this leadership scholarship is an honor and a privilege. This gift allows me to invest in my future and I promise you it will not go to waste.”

*Jorden*



***Gretchen Schuette Leadership Award recipient***

Chemeketa staff and community established this scholarship in honor of former President Gretchen Schuette’s leadership at the college and in the community when she retired, supporting students with exemplary leadership traits.



# THANK YOU

The 2019 Foundation events were successful because of the generous support of our sponsors.

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MARCH 16, 2019 — BROOKS REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER

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## 14TH ANNUAL WOODBURN CHEMEKETA CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL

MAY 3-5, 2019 — WOODBURN CHEMEKETA CENTER

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# MAKING COLLEGE POSSIBLE

The Chemeketa Foundation supports hundreds of students each year through more than 130 unique scholarships and assistance funds. From its inception, the Foundation's budget has grown from \$3,000 to awarding more than \$500,000 in student scholarships.

BRANDI  
VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS  
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



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**Julie Huckestein**  
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& Administration



“John was a great friend and a mentor. When I approached the Chemeketa Foundation in 2019, his son and I wanted to find a way to honor John’s memory and pay tribute to the great work he had done in the community. John worked his whole life in the local manufacturing industry and was passionate about making a difference. We thought there would be no better way to carry on his legacy than to support the next generation of industry professionals. When we visited Chemeketa’s teaching labs, we were impressed by the facilities, the equipment, and by the training these students receive. By supporting students at Chemeketa, we know we will be helping build a stronger workforce in Salem where John made such an impact.”

*—John Harvey*  
JNS Engineering

“Losing my father was very tough on our family. He was an optimistic, creative, curious, successful, generous man. He was an industry leader and owner of Zephyr Engineering. My dad took classes at Chemeketa in the early days of computers and computer-aided design. My mom and I received our degrees from Chemeketa and went on to earn Masters degrees. We as a family consider Chemeketa to be a wonderful institution and a resource that really was a springboard to success in our individual businesses, our careers, and our lives. We wanted to honor his hard work by establishing an annual scholarship in support of students studying machining, welding, or fabrication. Our hope is that the recipients of his scholarship share the same passion for knowledge and creativity. Being able to hear from our recipient and meet them face-to-face to share a bit of his life with them will be an incredible opportunity each year. We look forward to working with Chemeketa to make a difference for students and the community.”

*—Justin Martin*  
Zephyr Engineering

A photograph of two men standing in a workshop. The man on the left is wearing a brown jacket and blue jeans. The man on the right is wearing a dark grey hoodie and blue jeans, and has a white beard. They are standing in front of a red machine, possibly a lathe or mill. The background is a workshop with various tools and equipment.

## JOHN & JUSTIN

### ***John P. Martin Machining, Welding & Fabrication Scholarship***

This scholarship was established in the memory of John P. Martin who spent his career working in manufacturing. He was the owner of Zephyr Engineering, a design, fabrication, machining, and welding business. This scholarship is intended to be a reflection of his knowledge, curiosity, brilliance, and desire to be the best within the field, and a spark to ignite the same enthusiasm and opportunity for students and their future.



# DONOR LIST

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Thank you for choosing the Chemeketa Foundation as your way of making a positive change in our communities. Thank you for believing that education matters and that we all have a stake in the success of others — even those we have never met. Thank you for making college possible and changing lives!

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KIMBERLY  
EXEMPT ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



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