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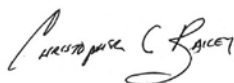
Building Healthy Futures

Building healthy futures - it's more than a slogan, it's what we do!

Because we recognize the important role higher education has in improving the quality of life, not only for individuals but for entire communities, we remain steadfast in our commitment to providing excellence in education and innovation. Over the years, we have been purposeful in creating a student-centered campus culture that promotes student success and completion. We believe the vitality of our student services, student activities, and academic programs are evidence of that. Additionally, LCC's collaborative approach, both on and off campus, has led to increased alignment between the college and local school districts, local businesses, and community members. These partnerships strengthen us as an organization as well as help us identify and close gaps that create barriers for students.

Thank you for partnering with us this past year to **build healthy futures** for our students and our community. We are grateful for *your* support!

Christopher C. Bailey



President
Lower Columbia College



Chris Bailey

Because of You

It has been an incredible year at the foundation and it is *because of you* that we provided nearly \$940,000 in support to the college and our students. We believe in the transformational power of education and the impact it has on families and communities. That is why we so passionately believe in the mission of the Foundation, which is, to provide financial support to the College and our Students and to enhance educational opportunities at Lower Columbia College. We are grateful for the support we have had this past year from individuals, alumni, faculty and staff, and local businesses who believe in this mission too. It truly is because of you that lives in our community are forever changed.

Kendra Sprague



LCC Vice President of
Foundation, HR, &
Legal Affairs

Rich Gushman



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Kendra Sprague



Rich Gushman

Jim & Marianne Mitchell Named LCC Foundation 2017-18 Benefactors of the Year

The Lower Columbia College Foundation has named James and Marianne Mitchell as the 2017-18 Benefactors of the Year. Benefactor honorees have a history of providing charitable financial support to the foundation, and/or significant volunteer service to the college. Most notably, contributions from honorees have had major impacts on the college, its programs, students, and the community.

Jim and Marianne (Peters) Mitchell both graduated from LCC in 1951. Jim was one of nine founding members of the school's spirit organization, known as the Stella Birdhikers Club. "It is an honor to recognize Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's support of excellence in education at LCC," said Kendra Sprague, LCC Vice President of Foundation, HR & Legal Affairs.

The Mitchell's have provided more than \$200,000 in support to the college over the last 20 years, including the establishment of two scholarships. The Jim and Marianne Mitchell Scholarship, established in 2005, provides full tuition scholarships to two business students

annually. The Eric James Mitchell Memorial Endowed Scholarship, established in 2017 in honor of the Mitchell's grandson, supports computer science majors. Jim and Marianne also played an integral role in the Foundation's Building Healthy Futures Campaign by actively participating in the feasibility study and leadership awareness sessions. "Their participation helped develop fundraising initiatives resulting in the Health and Science Building and matching EDA grant that supplied equipment for the new building," said Rich Gushman, LCC Foundation Chair.

The Mitchell's reflect on their experiences and share, "We graduated from RA Long High School in 1949 and enrolled at LCJC that fall. Classes were held at various buildings around Longview. Busses were provided to move students from one location to another. Classes were small and the faculty excellent. LCJC provided an opportunity for local students to pursue a college education while living at home and working to save money for



further study. For us it has been rewarding to be a part of the growth and expansion of Lower Columbia College."

The Mitchell's will be honored at the 2018 LCC Foundation Horns & Halos Gala in September.

"Jim and Marianne's contributions over the years have helped support the growth of the campus, new programs and students. Their legacy will impact the LCC campus and students for years to come."

LCC President, Chris Bailey

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on College!*

lowercolumbia.edu/running-start

LCC at a Glance*

Enrollment

5,987 Total students
139 Worker Retraining
209 Veterans
440 Running Start
2,177 Online

Student Intent

30% Transfer students
37% Workforce students
17% Basic Skills students
16% Other students

Demographics

64% Female
24% Students of color
31 Average age
43% Full-time

NWAC Varsity Sports

Men's and Women's basketball
Men's baseball
Women's softball, volleyball
and soccer

Facilities

38.75 acre campus;
26 buildings

Operating Budget for 2016-17

\$22.3 million

Annual Tuition

\$4,275 tuition and fees
(2017-18, 45 credits)
Financial Aid Disbursed
\$12.6 million (figure not final)
Foundation \$15.6 million
in assets

Employment

430 Total employees
69 Full-time,
134 Part-time Faculty
227 Staff including Head Start/
ECEAP employees

*2016-17 data, unless noted

Student Leaves Past Behind to Discover His Purpose

Most people who meet Cheyenne DeFrates would never guess that he's struggled with drug and alcohol addiction, let alone done time behind bars. Fortunately for LCC, he's committed to helping others by opening up about his past.

Cheyenne's path to landing his dream job with local employer JH Kelly was decidedly non-traditional. Things were relatively steady for him until his parents divorced when he was 11. After losing the consistent influence of his father, Cheyenne started drinking and smoking marijuana regularly. At 18, he received his first of many driving-under-the-influence violations. All told, Cheyenne was booked into the Cowlitz County jail 23 times.

Becoming a father while still in his teens provided something of a wake-up call, and Cheyenne landed an electrician's apprenticeship. The lure of drugs and alcohol was too strong at that time and led to his dismissal from the program. Eventually his behavior landed him in prison in Oregon. Not wanting to return to his previous life, he wrote to LCC from prison and requested an enrollment packet.

In 2010, Cheyenne moved into the local Oxford House and started attending classes at LCC. Although he initially placed into the lowest level of pre-college math, he rigorously applied himself to his studies and graduated from LCC with honors in 2015. Cheyenne received a full scholarship to Washington State University Vancouver, where he graduated with an engineering degree (again with honors) in May 2017.

KapStone Paper and Packaging offered Cheyenne an internship the summer after his junior year at WSUV, which led to another internship after he received his engineering degree. However, it wasn't until Cheyenne was invited to speak at the LCC's Foundation gala in September of 2017 that he met representatives from his current employer, JH Kelly. They set up an interview, and Cheyenne was offered a position the next day. He was thrilled to accept.

Although he is the architect of his own life, Cheyenne credits LCC with giving him the tools he needed to be successful. He writes:

None of this would have been possible without the skills and mindset I received at LCC. I went from being lazy and unorganized to finding a purpose. I learned discipline, how to meet deadlines, how to set goals, and even more important, how to meet them. Every bit of success made me hungry for more, I accepted nothing less than the best I could do. When I went to WSUV I found that we were better prepared than our other classmates. All 6 of us who transferred earned a 3.0 or better, and even more importantly, we all have careers!! What LCC meant to me was a lifeline when I was drowning, calm from the storm that was my life, stability, and an opportunity to realize my dreams, which is something I had given up on long before. LCC did nothing short of help lay the foundation for the man I am today, and for that, I will be forever grateful. Everything good in my life has been a direct result of the changes I made while at LCC. I am no longer my past.



College Success Fund

A catalyst for excellence in education and innovation

The College Success Fund provides an integral source of financial support to the college where state funding falls short. This funding source is designed to be both responsive and flexible to meet the ever-changing needs of the college.

The College Success Fund will allow LCC to capitalize on emergent opportunities as they arise. Your gift will have a significant impact on preparing students to enter the workforce or transfer to a university through enriched learning opportunities, state-of-the-art technology, and student support programs.

The College Success Fund supports:

- Academic Programs
- Staff and faculty grants
- Innovative learning opportunities
- New equipment and technology for classrooms and labs
- Veterans' support services
- Student led special projects and initiatives
- Head Start programs
- Industrial Trades Recruitment
- Capital projects and improvements to infrastructure
- Areas of greatest need

The reach and influence of Lower Columbia College over the past 80 years is immeasurable and continues to be one of our region's greatest assets.

Patricia (PJ) Peterson, MD

LCC is uniquely positioned to respond to the ever-changing demand for skilled workers in our region.

Dan Evans, Chairman JH Kelly

If you want to see a change for the better in the community... one place to start is here at the college, specifically donating to the LCC Foundation.

Brad Benjamin, LCC Instructor



LCC Art Department Goes High Tech with New iMac Lab

Shortly after arriving this fall, LCC's new full-time art instructor, Jennie Mynhier, proposed an expansion to the graphic design program and lab. Today, the new iMac lab features 20 Macintosh (iMac) computers outfitted with Adobe Creative Suite, the latest in design software. This is the result of a \$65,000 investment the college made to expand its art program to meet a growing demand for graphic designers and other creative artists.

At a time of eroding public support for the arts and higher education, it's noteworthy that LCC has increased its investment in art and graphic design. Input from students and faculty helped develop new courses related to graphic design, digital photography and multimedia to enhance LCC's art and graphic design program offerings. Winter quarter 2018, the first courses were available to students in the new dedicated computer lab.

Based on labor statistics provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, graphic design jobs are expected to increase over the next six years. LCC is well positioned to help fill that future job growth.



Joe and Alona Fischer Art Scholarship

The Joe and Alona Fischer Art Scholarship was established in 2000 to assist LCC Art majors who are residents of Washington state, have academic potential, economic need, and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Since its establishment in 2000, fourteen student scholarships have been provided.

This year's recipient is Mallory Hobson. From the age of five, Mallory knew she wanted to be an artist. She also knew that pursuing a career in Fine Arts could be risky in terms of financial stability.

However, she believes that education paired with her interest in drawing, ceramics, and graphic design, will provide the path to a successful future. For Mallory, the decision to attend LCC was simple. LCC filled her college wish-list being local, having beautiful facilities and offering a wide range of fine arts courses.

Mallory is learning the foundations of art and design. LCC has given her a great start to her college education and she holds a 4.0 GPA. Thanks to LCC's approachable and willing faculty, advising, and staff she feels prepared for the next step. Mallory is preparing to graduate in June 2018 and transfer to a university to follow her passion working in Fine Arts and Graphic Design.

Joe and Alona established their art scholarship to honor Joe's commitment as an artist and an educator and to help future artists pursue their dreams. Joe formerly taught a full range of art courses at the Empire State College and University of Buffalo, both in New York State. After moving to the local area, Joe and Alona's connection to the college was strengthened in 2008 when three of Joe's paintings were displayed in the LCC Connecting Waters Gallery Exhibit with two subsequent gallery exhibits over the years. One piece, the abstract, *Blue Man Group At Mardi Gras*, continues to be on display in the LCC Rose Center.

The Fischer's were very excited to hear about LCC's new full-time art instructor, Jennie Mynhier, as well as the new iMac lab for students interested in graphic design. Joe shares, "LCC is life changing to our community. No matter where we go in town, people tell us they were trained at LCC. LCC is a jewel with remarkable programs and a beautiful campus that provides a community center of activity, music and the arts."



Scholarships - Give the gift of higher education!

Affordability remains one of the biggest challenges to student success. The LCC Foundation awarded over \$290,000 in scholarships to students in the 2016-17 year. Scholarships may be named in honor or memory of an individual, family member, or in the name of a business or organization to foster a spirit of corporate citizenship and community support. Help support a deserving student in a meaningful way by establishing your scholarship today!

For more information on setting up an annual or endowed scholarship, please contact Assistant Director Sheila Burgin at sburgin@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2132.

Student Success Fund

The LCC Foundation created the Student Success Fund to help students who are most at risk for abandoning their higher education goals due to financial hardship. One of LCC's strategic goals is to increase the proportion of students who persist from term-to-term to reach completion. Each dollar donated to the Student Success Fund is twice spent: providing vital support to students and the funds stay on campus to support programs.

Since inception in 2012, the fund has distributed more than \$254,000 in emergency grants to more than 600 students in need. Student Success grants mean the difference between completion and failure for students on their way to graduation.

The Student Success Fund helps students with:

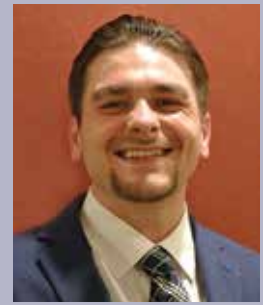
- Tuition expenses not covered by scholarships, financial aid or grants
- Textbook expenses
- Testing fees
- Emergency childcare expenses
- Emergency transportation

"My life has been saved, empowered, and forever transformed by the support and encouragement of Lower Columbia College. The environment at LCC is structured in a fashion that allows ALL students, traditional or non-traditional, to find their niche, allowing them to not only succeed, but to thrive. For that, I will remain forever grateful and LCC proud!"

Clinton Howard, LCC Student



Thank you to our community partner, *The Daily News*, for their "Students in Need" campaign which helps at-risk students complete their education and give back to their community. Last year the "Students in Need" campaign raised \$46,726 in support of the Student Success Fund.



Clinton Howard Named 2018 Transforming Lives Award Winner

LCC student body president Clinton Howard was born with drugs in his system, and immediately thrust into a world filled with crime and despair. Addiction ultimately led to his father's death at age 42. Clinton grew up believing that his destiny was to be a drop out, addict and criminal – just like others in his family.

For a time, Clinton's life was definitely moving in that direction. Eventually convicted of multiple felonies, Clinton spent nearly six years behind bars. He accepted his fate, unaware that any alternatives existed.

One day it dawned on Clinton that he could choose a different outcome for himself. He made the decision to return to school and ultimately enrolled at LCC. As the first person in his family to attend college, Clinton initially doubted his ability to succeed. Like many first generation students, he worried that he was not smart enough for higher education.

Once at LCC, Clinton committed himself fully to academics and student life, and the accolades are piling up. He has earned a place on the "President's List", he received the Outstanding Student Award in Psychology, he is the 2017-18 President of the Associated Students of LCC, and serves as vice president of the honor society.

After completing his Associate in Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement at LCC, Clinton plans to continue his education in pursuit of a Master's Degree in Organizational Management.



Raul Arellano



Andrew Jaspers

2017 All Washington Academic Team

LCC students Raul Arellano and Andrew Jaspers represented the college at the 2017 All Washington Academic Team Ceremony, held annually in March at the South Puget Sound Community College campus in Olympia.

Raul's passion in life is to help others. After logging over 1900 hours of community service, Raul received recognition from the U.S. Congress. A native of California, Raul moved to the area in 2011 and graduated from Toutle Lake High School in 2016. Raul received an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement from LCC, and hopes to receive a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Washington. He plans to pursue a career in medicine one day.

When Andrew Jaspers enrolled at LCC, he was contemplating a degree in political science. He soon discovered that he excelled in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) courses, and received Outstanding Student Awards in both Math and Physics in 2016. He received an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement and an associate degree in mechanical engineering from LCC. He hopes to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from Washington State University Vancouver.

The All Washington Academic Team program, launched in 1996, recognizes and honors the state's highest achieving community and technical college students.

NWAC Baseball 2017 Champs

The Lower Columbia baseball team won its 12th baseball championship following a 5-1 win over Everett in the title game of the NWAC Baseball Championships on Monday May 29th at David Story Field.

The title was the second in four years for head coach Eddie Smith, and the second championship won by an LCC team during the 2016-17 school year. In November, the Red Devils' volleyball team claimed its second-ever title by beating Linn-Benton in Tacoma.

"This team has never lost two games on the same day," Smith told Daily News reporter Rick McCorkle. "We've only been beaten twice in a row on two occasions, and it was not to the same team."

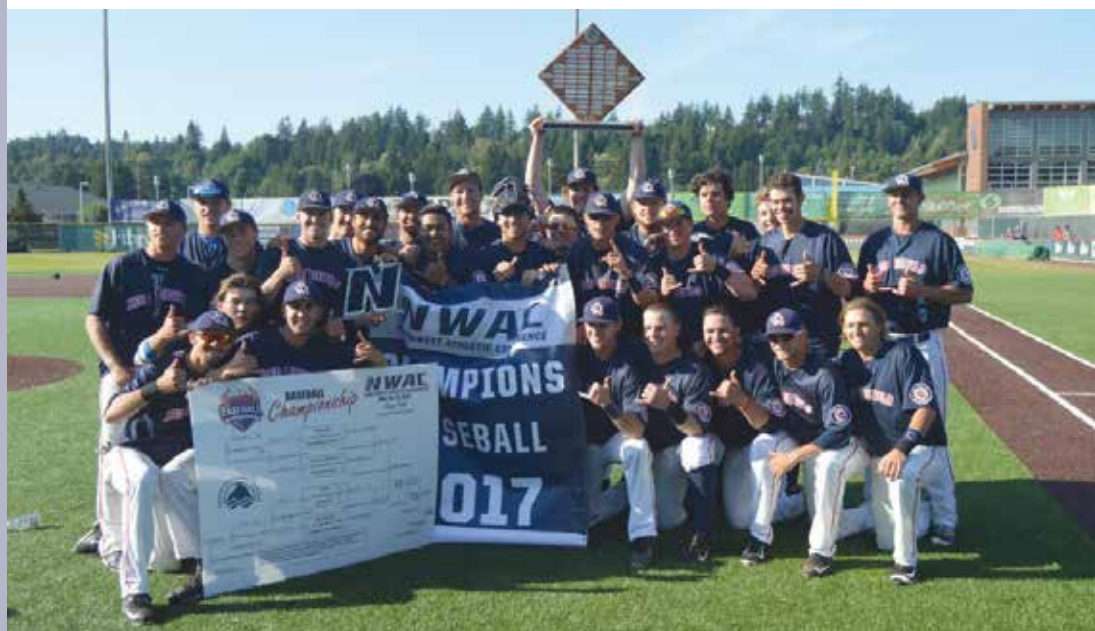
This is crazy," Smith was quoted by TDN. "This was a really, really special team since it was probably the least talented group we've had to start with in September. They developed as players, as a team, and they played for each other. They put each other first."

The Red Devils finished with eight hits, with tournament MVP Ricky Muzzy collecting two. Muzzy finished the tournament hitting .591 with a triple and four RBI.

Also named to the All-Tournament team from LCC were shortstop Corey Conklin, first baseman Cameron Campbell, catcher JT Strickler, third baseman Jordan Barchus and outfielder Steve Robinson.

With success comes opportunity. Coming off another NWAC Championship, Smith accepted the lead assistants job at Tulane University in New Orleans. Smith will be working for another former Red Devil Travis Jewett who is the head coach for the Green Wave.

The 2018 Red Devils will be led by a man who is very familiar with winning championships at LCC, Eric Lane. As a player, Lane was the conference MVP and led the Red Devils to the 2010 NWAC title. He also was the top assistant under Smith during the 2015 and 2017 championship teams.



Athletic Excellence Fund

It's not just about sports, it's about student success!

Lower Columbia College's athletic programs are an important avenue to education and future careers for our student athletes. LCC athletes regularly rank near the top of their peers in academic achievement and continue on to successful careers both on and off the court or field.

Now more than ever, we need your help to continue the Red Devil Legacy. In response to state budget cuts, the 2012 Legislature mandated that state funding could no longer be used to support college athletics. This change has dramatically impacted athletic programs statewide, as colleges must now depend on additional revenue to fund operations or make cuts to existing programs.

The Lower Columbia College Foundation is committed to helping bridge the funding gap between the court and the classroom with a goal to raise **\$100,000 annually**. A full scholarship for one student athlete is \$2,600 per year. In addition, program support, equipment, travel and food costs can be up to \$1,200 annually – an average total cost per student of **\$3,800**.

Now is the time to get in the game! Please consider a tax-deductible donation to the LCC **Athletic Excellence Fund**. Lower Columbia College Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) Non-Profit organization. With your support, coupled with the strong support of our community we can look forward to sustaining a legacy of athletic excellence well into the future!

Project Goals: Annual \$100,000 / \$2 million endowed

Purpose:

- Provide full support for LCC athletic programs and scholarships through annual giving.
- Create an athletics endowment that will provide sustainability of future LCC athletic programs, staffing, as well as fund future capital investments (i.e. field improvements, facilities, etc.)
- Cover the cost of tuition and fees, uniforms, equipment, and travel-related expenses for LCC student athletes.
- Develop an avenue for business and individual donor recognition through advertising and facility naming opportunities.

Outcomes:

- **Increased student recruitment** – LCC is considered a destination college due to the excellence of our existing athletic programs – this excellence keeps us competitive!
- **Student retention and academic success** – Student athletes bring competitive spirits, diversity, and success in the classroom. LCC athletes average one of the highest GPA's in the conference, demonstrating their ability to enhance athletic and educational programs.
- **Stability of program funding** – All contributions to the fund will ensure the legacy of athletic excellence at LCC continues despite fluctuations in state funding.

Making a gift to the Athletic Excellence Fund is now easier than ever! Text REDDEVILS (uppercase/no spaces) to 41444 or give online at lowercolumbia.edu/foundation



Class of 2017 Hall of Fame Inductees



Mickey Brusco
Baseball/Basketball
1975-76



Carol Carlson
Athletic Contributor
1987-2011



Mike McNeilly
Baseball
1969-70



Bill Stoller
Baseball/Basketball
1970-71

Aspiring Engineer Succeeds Against the Odds

LCC engineering student **Aaron Lopez** had to overcome substantial barriers to get where he is today, including homelessness, prolonged food insecurity, and delayed high school graduation due to unmet English requirements.

Raised by a single mom, Aaron and his brother did not always have enough to eat at home while they were growing up. The family relocated to Washington from Los Angeles after the cost of rent soared there. They lived in their car, then with a friend, for months until they could afford their own apartment in Longview.

Rather than keeping him from school, though, Aaron tackled the uncertainty and lack of resources with his exemplary problem-solving skills. For example, “I learned to drink a lot of water when I was hungry,” he said. The sense of fullness, however fleeting, helped him stay focused on his studies.

Gas money was sometimes an issue for the family as well. Again, Aaron chose to problem-solve rather than miss school. For instance, walking to his high school added about 45 minutes to his day, “in all kinds of weather,” he added.

Tenacity and resourcefulness certainly paid off when Aaron became the first person in his family to graduate from high school. Aaron’s mother, who worked as a maid before landing a job at a meat factory to support her family, dropped out of school in the third grade. His older brother only made it to the 10th grade before choosing to leave school behind.

In spite of the lack of an educational focus in his immediate household, Aaron’s commitment to school remained strong. After completing an engineering internship in high school, Aaron knew he had found his career pathway. He also knew that in order to achieve his career goal, he needed a college degree.

Aaron hoped to use traditional financial aid to pay for college. He had a lot of difficulty

with the tax verification process through the IRS, however, and eventually decided not to go to school right away. In retrospect, Aaron says he wishes he had known about Running Start (a program that allows high school students to earn high school and college credits at the same time). “It could have saved me a lot of time and money,” he said.

To earn money for school, Aaron took a job cleaning an industrial facility. The thirteen-hour shifts, strong chemicals, and scalding hot water eventually took their toll. After a few years, he had saved enough money to self-pay for a quarter. In addition to the tuition, fees and books, Aaron also had to invest in a backpack and laptop when he started at LCC, two items he did not own but needed in order to be successful in college.

After a quarter, Aaron’s lack of finances interfered again, and he had to stop-out. This time he was determined to find a more stable way to attend, and began researching and applying for scholarships. Aaron received the **Solvay Pierre Ruell Memorial Scholarship** through the LCC Foundation.

A recent trip to NASA facilities in Texas during a “Hurricane Harvey Relief” trip with LCC’s Student Support Services program really cemented Aaron’s interest in becoming an engineer. It was also his first time on an airplane.

Aaron is planning to graduate with an associate degree in engineering in June, then transfer to Gonzaga, Washington State University-Pullman, or the University of Washington. Ultimately, he hopes to work as a mechanical engineer.

“The most important thing to me is that I’m a good role model. I want to be able to take care of my mom. My becoming an engineer is really making my family proud,” Aaron said.

Aaron Lopez at NASA facilities, December 2017





"Solvay is very proud of Aaron's accomplishments and that our LCC Foundation scholarship is helping such a bright and talented student. We know that Aaron is well on his way to achieving his dream of becoming a mechanical engineer, and are honored to have the opportunity to financially support him in achieving this goal."

Alicia Fuentes, Longview Site Manager
Solvay Chemicals, Inc.

How You Can Make a Positive Impact

Aaron's story highlights the impact your donation can have on the life of a student at LCC. With your support, the LCC Foundation is committed to bridging existing funding gaps for both students and academic programs both now and into the future. Every gift counts!

Support – Strengthen – Sustain

Your donation to the LCC Foundation will provide students greater access to a college education through scholarships and grants. Additionally, with your help we will continue to strengthen LCC's innovative academic programs as well as sustain the future of athletic programs for years to come.

Giving Options

- Cash Gifts
- Pledged Gifts
- Non-Cash Gifts
- IRA Distributions
- Matching Gifts
- Named Gift Opportunities
- Planned Gifts
- Real Estate
- Stocks and Bonds

Giving Made Easy!

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- ✓ **Mobile Text:** Text GIVELCC
(uppercase/no spaces) to 91999
- ✓ **Cash, Check, or Charge:**
Lower Columbia College Foundation
1600 Maple Street Longview, WA 98632

For more information or assistance in making a donation, please contact the LCC Foundation at 360.442.2130 or foundation@lowercolumbia.edu.

Join the Alumni Association!

Get connected and sign up for the Lower Columbia College Alumni Association. Whether you earned a degree or certificate or completed just one quarter, we consider you part of our alumni family.

As alumni membership grows, so does the list of benefits including free admission to Alumni Day events, the opportunity for membership to the LCC Fitness Center, discounts at the LCC Bookstore, opportunities to shop at the Nike, Adidas, and Columbia employee stores and much more.

We are committed to creating meaningful, lasting relationships with our alumni.

To join the Alumni Association visit lowercolumbia.edu/alumni or contact Foundation Specialist Serina Graham at 360.442.2134. We encourage you to stay in touch and get connected! We look forward to highlighting LCC Alumni on our Alumni Web page located at lowercolumbia.edu/foundation/alumni

Share your story and stay connected at [facebook.com/LCCFoundation](https://www.facebook.com/LCCFoundation)



Find Us on the Web!

Catch up on news and highlights, see photos, and check out upcoming events. You can even donate online!

lowercolumbia.edu/foundation

PJ Peterson Named 2017 LCC Alumna of the Year

Dr. Peterson grew up on a small farm just south of Kalama and attended Kalama schools, where she graduated valedictorian of her class in 1966. She attended LCC from 1966-67, where she studied Pre-Pharmacy before transferring to the University of Washington. While at LCC she played the clarinet in the college's symphony, belonged to Phi Theta Kappa, and was honored as the 1967 Outstanding Student in Natural Science.

After leaving LCC, Dr. Peterson received her Bachelors of Science in Pharmacy from the University of Washington, where she graduated Cum Laude. She earned her Medical Doctorate from the University of Utah School of Medicine, where she graduated in the top 10 percent of her class and was elected to the Medical Honor Society.

Beginning in 1979, Dr. Peterson began her journey as a doctor right here in Longview as an Internal Medicine Specialist. She led her own medical group, the Internal Medicine Clinic, before joining PeaceHealth in 1999. She continued to work for PeaceHealth until her retirement last year.

Dr. Peterson was inducted into the LCC Hall of Fame for Achievement and Community Service in 1988. She has provided support to LCC for more than 25 years through her time, talent, and treasures. In 2006, Dr. Peterson established an endowed scholarship in honor of her family. She credits her father, who taught her the value of an education, with instilling in her the desire to help other students achieve their dreams.

Dr. Peterson is currently serving on the LCC Foundation Board. She is extremely active in the community, and has served on a number of boards including the PeaceHealth Governing Board and the Seton Catholic High School board.

Dr. Peterson says that "LCC was a wonderful, inviting environment and an excellent starting point" for a kid like her, from the small town of Kalama. She believes that LCC provides an affordable education for all students, whether they earn an Associate's Degree and/or start at LCC and transfer to a four-year college or university.



"None of my family members have successfully completed college and I am currently on track to graduate with my AA in the Spring. Thank you for your generosity and dedication to the success of LCC and its students!"

LCC Student

Donor Spotlight: Dr. Richard Nau



Richard Nau, an investor, philanthropist, and retired Longview physician, has contributed nearly \$90,000 to the Student Success Fund in the form of an endowment. Dr. Nau was impressed with the Student Success Fund knowing that a relatively small amount of money (typically under \$500 per student) helped very needy people stay in school and complete their education. Dr. Nau's investment in this integral program promotes the continued well-being of our community and our students who are trying to better their lives through education and helps permanently endow the fund to assist students in need for generations to come. Dr. Nau is also a member of the LCC Foundation planned giving Wertheimer Society naming LCC Foundation in his estate plans.

Dedication of Honored Spaces

Admissions Building

The *Applied Industries, Inc. Disability Support Services Center* is located in LCC's Admissions Building and honors Applied Industries, Inc. and its founder, Nadine Williams whose vision was to provide employment opportunities to people with disabilities. In 2016, after 56 years of service to the local community, Applied Industries, Inc. closed its doors. With the remaining capital, they established an endowment with the LCC Foundation that will provide funding for Student Success emergency grants, two full tuition scholarships for students with disabilities, and support for the disability support services program. This endowment will allow Nadine's legacy to live on into perpetuity through educational and training opportunities at LCC.



Outdoor Spaces

The *Anderson Family Pavilion* is located in the center of campus and recognizes the Anderson family for their ongoing philanthropic support of LCC. Brothers, John and Max Anderson provided a major gift to the Foundation in honor and memory of their parents, David M. and Mary P. Anderson. Their most recent gift supports the David M. and Mary P. Anderson Endowed Scholarship and the Student Success Fund. Max and

John continue to honor their parent's legacy through the family business, Anderson & Anderson Advisory, LLC and through community involvement. In addition to financial support of LCC, Max Anderson is an LCC alumnus who served a combined 17 years on both the LCC Foundation Board and Board of Trustees.

2016-17 Retirees

It is an honor to welcome the following individuals to the LCC Foundation Retiree Association.

Roy Busley
Welding Instructor
2010-2017

Sherry Gohn
Finance Department
1969-2017

Jack Humphrey
Campus Services
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Financial Report 2016-2017

July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

Assets

Cash	1,471,630
Marketable Securities	13,799,248
Pledges Receivables	115,879
Prepaid Expenses, net	1,746
Fixtures & Equipment	36,760
Land Held for Sale	260,900

TOTAL ASSETS \$15,686,163

Liabilities

Accrued Expenses	42,902
Annuity Payment Liability	2,655
	<u>\$45,557</u>

Net Assets

Unrestricted	2,905,132
Temporarily Restricted	4,380,101
Permanently Restricted	8,355,373
	<u>15,640,606</u>
	<u><u>\$15,686,163</u></u>

Income & Expenditures

Income

Revenue, Gains/Losses, & Other Support	\$2,923,343
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Expenditures

Support to LCC:	
Scholarships	253,857
Grants	39,509
Program Support	356,728
Other	289,734

SUB-TOTAL \$939,828

General & Administrative	166,221
Fundraising	109,027

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$1,215,076

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