

BELLINGHAM
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

COMMUNITY
REPORT
2021-22



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VISION

Bellingham Technical College will be a recognized leader in providing innovative and effective technical education, maximizing student potential and supporting the regional economy through development of a competitive workforce.

MISSION

Bellingham Technical College provides student-centered, high-quality professional technical education for today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities.

VALUES

As a learning community, Bellingham Technical College is committed to educational excellence and equity realized through a positive, values-based environment. To fulfill Bellingham Technical College's mission and vision, the college will adhere to the following values:

STUDENT-CENTERED

Creating a supportive and inclusive community that results in a high level of student competence, professionalism, and success.

RESPONSIVE

Embracing positive, effective change that creates opportunity and meets current and emerging needs.

COLLABORATIVE

Creating and leveraging partnerships and resources to achieve shared values and goals for students, the college, and the community.

PRINCIPLED

Promoting a culture of respect and accountability, reflecting integrity in decision-making, and ensuring responsible stewardship of all resources.

BTC PRESIDENT

As I reflect on this past academic year, I want to share a few impressions that are highlights for me. After more than a year since my retirement, I am grateful for the opportunity to return to Washington, reconnect with some tremendously dedicated coworkers, and help work with BTC through some challenging obstacles. I feel a tremendous amount of pride in the staff at BTC, the Trustees, the Foundation Board of Directors, and our hardworking students. It was no small undertaking to navigate the challenges of the ctcLink software conversion, complete our seven-year accreditation process, add key members to our college Board of Trustees, have the Foundation raise a record amount of resources, and provide quality instruction to our students - all while navigating the challenges of the global pandemic. I am optimistic that the future is bright for our college and am thankful for your support of our college's mission of providing student-centered, high-quality professional technical education for today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities.

Dr. Kimberly Perry, *Interim BTC President*



BTC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESIDENT

The Foundation is proud to report that it raised a record \$1,015,381 dollars to support BTC in 2021-2022. We extend deep appreciation to those who made this milestone achievement possible. In June 2022, I concluded my two-year term (which occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic) as Foundation Board of Directors President. I have been amazed by the unwavering generosity of our philanthropic partners during this difficult time and am grateful for their dedicated support. The Foundation Board acts as thoughtful stewards of your gifts and directs them to a variety of priority initiatives so that the BTC Foundation can continue to change lives by expanding access to quality education at Bellingham Technical College.

We are also thankful for our Board of Trustees, Foundation Board of Directors, and the employees who make a difference every day in the lives of our students. We thank you for your many gifts. It is through your generosity that we make our community a better place to live.

Mike Burke, *BTC Foundation Board of Directors, Chair*



BTC BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR

It has been gratifying for the Board to help guide the work of BTC employees through another very challenging year. The efforts of every employee to support our students came to fruition last June with a return to an in-person commencement ceremony. It was a major highlight of my year to watch students who have worked so hard and overcame so many obstacles reach their goal of graduating with a degree or a certificate that will help them provide a better life for their families. And, as a co-chair of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee, I look forward to welcoming our new President in January 2023.

Despite the challenges, it is with great pride that I share this year's annual report with you as a reflection of all that the BTC community has accomplished this past year.

Rick Kaiser, *BTC Board of Trustees, Chair*





OVER 55% OF THE STUDENTS WHO APPLIED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH THE FOUNDATION WERE AWARDED.

MORE THAN \$3,200 WAS THE AVERAGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD THIS PAST YEAR.

80% OF SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR CAME FROM WHATCOM COUNTY RESIDENTS.

Bellingham Technical College was pleased to have 694 graduates over the last year, awarding 25 Bachelor degrees, 389 Associate degrees, 401 certificates, and 42 high school completion credentials.

Here's an idea of what that graduating class looked like: 10% were students with disabilities, 28% were students of color, and 14% were economically disadvantaged. Our youngest graduate was 17, the oldest was 65, and the average age was 30. We are proud to have served a total of 3,784 students over the last academic year.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

BTC is supported by 29 advisory committees with more than 300 members. Our advisory committees help inform our curriculum, keep our programs current, and better prepare our students for the skills and characteristics our regional industries need in their employees.

ACCREDITATION

BTC is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). Among other things, this accreditation status allows BTC students to access Federal financial aid and transfer their credits to other colleges. BTC maintains its accreditation status by assessing the quality of its operations, educational offerings, and student success efforts, and by reporting to the NWCCU across a seven-year period. In Spring 2022, three NWCCU evaluators read BTC self-study reports and virtually visited the campus to meet with employees and students. Based on their review of the BTC reports and conversations, the evaluators developed and shared their major commendations and recommendations with the campus. Employees and students have already begun working together to plan improvements to BTC practices based on those recommendations.

Bellingham Technical College's strategic plan was developed by the employees and students of BTC to guide our institutional work.

MORE PEOPLE. MORE IDEAS. BETTER WAYS TO SUCCEED.

TEACHING & LEARNING

- Support student learning through quality instruction
- Build clear and effective pathways for students
- Identify and address barriers to student learning
- Establish systems and support for employee success and professional development

STUDENT CAREER PREPARATION & ACHIEVEMENT

- Support students in identifying and achieving their educational and career goals
- Maintain and develop partnerships designed to help students succeed
- Strengthen student workplace readiness and job placement services

CAMPUS COMMUNITY & CULTURE

- Cultivate an environment that contributes to employee engagement and satisfaction
- Strengthen college commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusiveness
- Unify the campus community through collaboration and open communication
- Maintain a welcoming, safe and accessible environment

INNOVATION & RESPONSIVENESS

- Prioritize continuous improvement through evaluation of current practices and alignment of resources
- Keep pace with industry and workforce needs and emerging trends

THE MISSION & GOALS



40% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED LAST YEAR WERE FROM STUDENTS WHO SELF-IDENTIFIED AS ETHNIC MINORITIES.

ALMOST 50% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR WERE FROM FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS.

5% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR CAME FROM VETERANS.

ASBTC & STUDENT LIFE

Student Life re-opened the Food Pantry in Spring 2022 in a larger, more visible space on the first floor of BTC's Campus Center. Student Life collaborated with the Bellingham Food Bank to offer fresh produce, perishable foods, frozen proteins, canned goods, grains, pet food, and personal care products. The Food Pantry had almost 400 visits during spring quarter, serving over 150 students. The BTC Foundation also receives donations for the Pantry.

The Associated Students of Bellingham Technical College (ASBTC) put on a food drive during spring quarter and received hundreds of pounds of donated food. Additionally, ASBTC receives food donations from service organizations, one of which is the American Association of University Women. We are grateful for these donations and all of the support for our Food Pantry. Any and all BTC students are encouraged to utilize the Food Pantry. They just need their student ID number to access this resource.



Registration

Washington's 34 community and technical colleges have shared back-office administrative systems for 30 years, but the software and functionality have been limited and outdated. Last year Bellingham Technical College completed its year-long transition to a new, statewide software system called ctcLink. This endeavor took the dedicated efforts of numerous BTC staff and encompassed thousands of hours of extra work, including time spent training, beta testing, and completing manual conversion tasks.

ctcLink is a single, centralized suite of online tools. Conversion to this system was not simply a matter of adapting to new software – it was about adapting to significant changes in how we work. This conversion was a significant challenge that was embraced by our dedicated employees.

Registration staff members also developed and implemented program Academic Advisement Reports for student advising and completion verification, and increased opportunities for across-campus collaboration.

Accessibility Resources

Accessibility Resources (AR) is a center for disability education, awareness, and resources for students and employees. AR has spent the last few years adopting a decentralized structure for the provision of academic accommodations, AR equipment movement, accessibility training, and other college-specific responsibilities to ensure equal access for students with disabilities.

The Accessibility Team consists of stakeholders across campus who inform college-wide accessibility and do the work required to provide access for all students.

TRIO Student Support Services

TRIO Student Support Services is a five-year, grant-funded program through the U.S. Department of Education. BTC's project serves 140 first-generation students, students from limited income households, and students with disabilities on an annual basis in order to increase the retention and graduation rates of these students. A team of three TRIO staff and peer Student Ambassadors assist participants to successfully navigate barriers and seize opportunities to actualize their educational and career goals through the following services that are offered free to students:

- New student orientations
- Peer mentoring
- Financial aid and scholarship support
- 24/7 tutoring
- Individualized coaching and counseling services
- Printing (TRIO Lounge)
- Career and academic planning
- Cultural activities
- Dedicated TRIO lounge
- Personal and financial wellness workshops

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA (VVA), WHATCOM COUNTY CHAPTER 165

The BTC Foundation was the fortunate recipient of a \$30,000 contribution from the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), Whatcom County Chapter 165.

This gift will be applied to the group's existing endowed scholarship at the college, which was established in 2016. The VVA group adds to the endowment each year by contributing a portion of the proceeds from the group's annual classic car show.

This year, they voted to increase their gift to support the students who were experiencing unusual financial stress during COVID-19. "We are deeply appreciative of our partnership with the VVA and their support of our veteran students at the college. This gift will increase our ability to serve our veteran students with scholarship support for many generations to come," said Dean Fulton, BTC Foundation Director.



The Bellingham Technical College Foundation and three additional Whatcom County institutions of higher education each received a \$100,000 grant for student scholarships from the Mount Baker Foundation.

The Mount Baker Foundation Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Scholarship will be awarded to BTC students who are members of communities that are historically underrepresented within higher education and/or within their area of study, including but not limited to students who are Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC); have overcome obstacles such as socioeconomic or educational disadvantage or disabilities; or are part of the first generation in their family to attend college. "This scholarship will make a tangible difference in the lives of our BIPOC students for many generations to come. The BTC Foundation Board of Directors, employees, and students are grateful for this partnership with the Mount Baker Foundation," said BTC Foundation President Mike Burke.

The combined investment in local students totals \$400,000 and was spearheaded by the Mount Baker Foundation's Equity & Health Determinants Committee, which is dedicated to addressing issues of poverty, homelessness, and lack of education, focusing on diverse communities and neighborhoods. The mission of Mount Baker Foundation is to identify and fund catalytic, transformative initiatives that result in sustainable change.

"Education is transformational," said Dr. Ken Gass, retired pediatrician, and President of the Mount Baker Foundation Board of Directors. "Mount Baker Foundation is seeking ways to mitigate racial inequalities and help underserved people and communities as they wish to be supported. We look forward to continuing conversations throughout Whatcom County and building trust through collaboration and support."

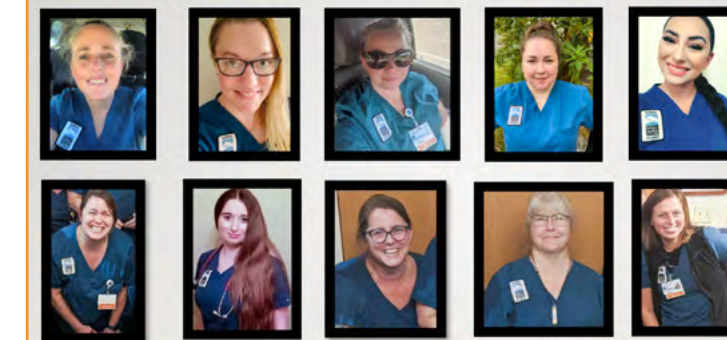


Adapting to Change

BTC's instructional programs have continued to adapt to the changing landscape of educating our students during a pandemic. While many programs have been providing on ground instruction throughout the past two years, some classes remained online to better meet the needs of our students. Over the past year, many programs were able to resume regular activities as noted in some of the highlights below.

Students Helping build an Inclusive Future for the Trades (SHIFT) is a program that recruits, supports, retains, and represents non-traditional students preparing for and working in industry. Over the past year, students participated in the Washington Women in Trades Fair in Seattle, which brought together industry partners and tradeswomen throughout the region. SHIFT, in collaboration with BTC's Welding & Fabrication Technology department, also hosted a steel rose-making event in June. The event was staffed by a group of first-year Welding students and attended by over 50 community members, BTC employees, and students. Attendees were able to make and take home their own steel roses.

- The Vet Tech club assisted with flood relief efforts at the end of fall quarter by partnering with Furhaven (a local pet supply company) to donate 30 beds to Whatcom Strong for flood victims' pets that may have lost their beds in the tragedy. They also facilitated a donation of Purina Dog food to the Hayburner Project.
- BTC's Dental Clinic reopened winter quarter, providing hands-on experiences for our students and a much-needed service to the community by providing free or reduced-cost dental care.
- Summer 2021 saw the first graduating cohort of students from the new Practical Nursing Certificate, which is part of a direct transfer pathway. All graduates passed their NCLEX licensure examination on their first attempt for a 100% pass rate!
- Our Culinary Arts program students had the opportunity to learn how to make ice sculptures from a guest chef during fall quarter. Several unique sculptures emerged from the efforts of our creative students, including a penguin, dolphin, star, and cat.
- Our Diesel Technology program received a generous donation from Freightliner Northwest/Western Star Northwest. The donated EPA2007 Detroit Diesel DD15 engine will be used for students to get hands-on repair time and verify their correction by running the engine afterwards.
- Farmers Equipment also brought a new 240AFS Puma tractor to the Diesel lab to let students see some new agriculture technology. Students used the machine to perform standard service routines and diagnostic tests as well as learning how to operate such a large machine.



Bellingham TECHNICAL COLLEGE Summer 2021 PN Graduates



Academic Credit for Prior Learning (ACPL)

Bellingham Technical College recognizes that students often arrive with prior experience and/or education relevant to their chosen program of study and career path. That's why we offer Academic Credit for Prior Learning (ACPL). ACPL can help students complete their training and degree programs sooner by evaluating an individual's existing knowledge and competencies for college credit.

The BTC Foundation is pleased to provide scholarships to partially or fully cover fees associated with earning credit for prior learning through the Evans-Perry Credits for Prior Learning Endowment.

Guided Pathways

As part of a campus-wide improvement initiative, Guided Pathways, BTC is creating exploratory sequences for each of our areas of study. The first areas of study to go through the development process – Advanced Manufacturing, Business, and Information Technology – implemented exploratory sequences and other common courses in Summer and Fall 2022. BTC's Engineering and Transportation areas of study are developing their own shared, exploratory courses, with anticipated implementation in Fall 2023. Exploratory sequences are designed to help students confirm their choice of pathway and build in flexibility to save them time and money if they do end up switching programs.



The BTC Foundation recently announced a major gift to support scholarships for students enrolled in the Veterinary Technician program at the college. The Foundation, along with Veterinary Technology instructor Lisa Dzyban, recently secured the commitment from an anonymous donor who has a passionate interest in the welfare of animals. The donor wanted to assist animal welfare by providing financial support to students in the program who will be entering the regional workforce upon their graduation.

Said BTC Foundation Director Dean Fulton, "The donor felt strongly about removing any kind of barrier that may prevent students from pursuing their education and attaining their goals of working with animals. In fact, she felt so strongly about it that she decided to provide a \$10,000 scholarship to each of the 21 students enrolled in their first year of the program to cover the cost of their second year. It is an amazingly generous act that will change the course of these students' lives forever."

The gift was recently announced to stunned students during one of their group lecture classes. Added Dzyban, "It was very difficult to not immediately share the news with the students knowing that some of them were struggling to figure out their finances for next year. The reaction from the students to the news was wonderful – shock, joy, happiness, and relief. This donation was an amazing gift to our students."

THE WESTERN STATES PETROLEUM ASSOCIATION (WSPA)

In December 2021, the Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA) presented BTC with the proceeds from their annual benefit golf tournament. The \$32,000 donation will support student scholarships at the college.

WSPA, founded in 1907, is a non-profit trade association that represents companies that account for the bulk of petroleum exploration, production, refining, transportation and marketing in the five western states of Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

WSPA is dedicated to ensuring that Americans continue to have reliable access to petroleum and petroleum products through policies that are socially, economically and environmentally responsible.



BTC REVENUE AND EXPENSES 2021-2022

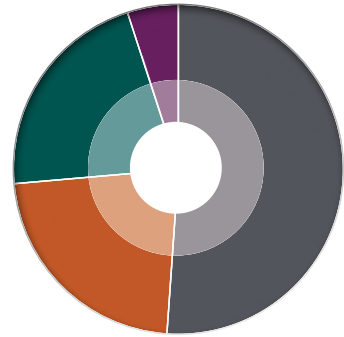
BTC continues to maintain a robust mix of revenue sources, with a continuing emphasis on securing grant funding. The mix reflects a strong commitment to instruction and student support services.

Note: Operating budget revenues and expenditures for 2021-2022 are unaudited estimates.

REVENUES

\$33.6 MILLION OVERALL COLLEGE REVENUE

(EXCLUDING STUDENT AID AND CAPITAL PASS-THRU FUNDS)



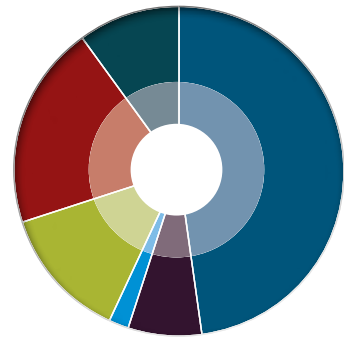
- State Operating Appropriation* **\$17.2 Million**
- Tuition & Fees Revenue** **\$7.5 Million**
- Federal, State & Local Grants* **\$7.2 Million**
- Enterprise Revenue **\$1.7 Million**

* Excluding Financial Aid

** Excluding ASBTC (Associated Students of Bellingham Technical College) Fees and Building Fees

EXPENDITURES MIX*

DRAFT OPERATING BUDGET* - EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM



- Instruction **48%**
 - Academic Support **7%**
 - Instructional Resources **2%**
 - Student Services **13%**
 - Institutional Support **20%**
 - Plant Operation/Maintenance **10%**
- DIRECT STUDENT SERVICES** (Instruction, Academic Support, Instructional Resources)
- SUPPORT SERVICES** (Student Services, Institutional Support, Plant Operation/Maintenance)

*The expenditures mix is based on analysis of BTC's operating fund budget





13% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR WERE FROM SINGLE PARENTS.

10% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE PAST YEAR CAME FROM WOMEN ENROLLED IN NON-TRADITIONAL TRADES.

10% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR WERE FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO ALREADY OBTAINED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE.

12% OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE PAST YEAR WERE FROM STUDENTS WHO SELF-IDENTIFIED AS HAVING A DISABILITY.

THE BTC FOUNDATION ALSO PROVIDES REGULAR SUPPORT TO THE CAMPUS FOOD PANTRY WHICH ASSISTS BTC STUDENTS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING FOOD INSECURITY.

FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The mission of the Bellingham Technical College Foundation is to **CHANGE LIVES BY EXPANDING ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION.**

2021-2022 FUNDRAISING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Scholarships	\$900,589
Direct BTC Program Support	\$18,144
Greatest Need Fund*	\$96,648
Total Raised	\$1,015,381

This amount constitutes 170% of the Foundation's 2021-22 fundraising goal.

FOUNDATION INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Scholarships Awarded (2022–23 academic year)	Amount
Foundation Scholarship Awards	\$903,275
Other Foundation Institutional Support	
Miscellaneous Campus Support*	\$16,973
Direct BTC Program Support	\$4,517
Total Institutional Support	\$924,765



Danielle Prudden from Willamette Dental Group presents BTC Dental Instructor Alisa Wollens a check to support scholarships for Dental Program students.

*Includes BTC professional development grants, the BTC Food Pantry, Veteran and Running Start program support, direct student and campus support (non-scholarship), and student urgent funding contributions.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED THROUGH THE BTC FOUNDATION

Named scholarships make a profound difference in the lives of our students. Endowed scholarships leave a permanent and lasting legacy at BTC.

Aftermath Club Endowment	Isenhardt Family and Tiger Construction Endowment
Anvil Corporation Endowment	Jack & May Meyers Endowment
Auto Body Craftsman Association Endowed Scholarship	Jack B. Cole Endowment
Bellingham Technical College General Endowment	Jim Zuanich Memorial Endowment
Bellingham Technical College Employee Endowment	J&R Small Endowment
Bellingham Technical College Foundation Board Designated Endowment	Karen Louise Pearson Tarter Memorial Endowment
Betty Young/Terri McMahan Endowment for Women in the Trades	Kimberley Family Endowment
Bill Bond Memorial Endowment	Laidlaw/Wallace Family Endowment
Birch Equipment Endowment	Larry Nace Endowment
BP Cherry Point Endowment	Linda Crawford Family Education Endowment Fund
Brent K Marshall Family Endowment	Malia Haglund Endowment
Brian Pemberton Memorial Endowment	Mary Scott Memorial Endowment - "Scotty's Fund"
Brooks Manufacturing Endowment	McArdle Endowment for Student Success
Building Diversity Endowment	The Mickey and Carole Ghio Endowment
The Charles and Karen Lauckhardt Family Endowment	Mike McShane Memorial Endowment
Curt Smith Endowment	Morse Steel Service Welding Endowment
David and Joyce Morse Endowment	Mount Baker Foundation Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Endowment
Dawson Construction Endowment	Mt. Baker Imaging Endowment
D.C. Morse and Blythe Mechanical HVAC/R Endowment (D.C. Morse & Jan Marchbanks)	Patricia McKeown Endowment
Debra Jones Scholarship Fund	Pete and Naida Jane Deitsch Endowment
Douglas Blair Memorial Endowment	Phillips 66 Endowment
Echo Foundation Endowment	Ron Martinez Endowment
Edd and Virginia Perry Endowment	Rhodes Family Endowment
Evans-Perry Credits for Prior Learning Endowment	Rotary Club of Bellingham Endowment
Fielding Formway Endowment	Settlemyer Family Endowment
Gage Yates Memorial Endowment	Sink the Dinghy Endowment (Bellingham Yacht Club)
Gary Solari Memorial Endowment	Suzanne Taylor Lybecker Memorial Endowment
Haskell Endowment for Faculty Excellence	Thank You for Your Service Endowment
Healthy Pet Endowment	The Thomas and Martina Horn Foundation Endowment
Helen DeVries Board Designated Endowment	United Steelworkers Local 12-591 Endowment
Home Port Learning Center Endowment	Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 165 Endowment

The estimated distribution to student scholarships from the endowed was more than \$175,000.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE BTC FOUNDATION FOR THE 2022-2023 ACADEMIC YEAR.

4th Corner Elites Car Club Scholarship	David & Cheryl Blair Scholarship	Norma Smith Scholarship
Ahl & Ziels Scholarship	David C Morse Memorial Scholarship of the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation	Patterson Family Scholarship
American Association of University Women Scholarship (AAUW)	Dennis & Sylvia Holmstrom Scholarship	Peg Cutting Culinary Arts Scholarship
Ann & Rick Kaiser Scholarship	Douglas Blair Memorial Scholarship of the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation	Peggy Hinton Memorial Scholarship
Anvil Corporation Scholarship	Ferguson Foundation Scholarship	Price Brothers Surveying Scholarship
Ariz and McQuade Scholarship	For the Love of Pets Scholarship	Robert L. Hinton Memorial Scholarship
ASA/Frank Hanna Memorial Scholarship	Fulton Family Scholarship	Russ Whidbee Accounting Scholarship
Bank of the Pacific Scholarship	Gary & Patty Nelson Scholarship	Sharon & Steve Isenhardt Scholarship
Bellingham Bay Rotary Scholarship	Greg & Linda Cowan Scholarship	Shell Puget Sound Refinery Scholarship
Betty Young Memorial Scholarship	Ham and Dodd Scholarship	Shell Puget Sound Refinery Tribal Scholarship
Biella Foundation Scholarship	Hank and Eric Baumgart Scholarship	Stantec Scholarship
Billee and Herb Ershig Scholarship of the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation	Holli Brawley Memorial Scholarship	Sunrise Rotary Club Scholarship
Bob & Jeanette Morse Scholarship	IBSS Scholarship	Surveying & Mapping Scholarship
Boersema Family Scholarship	IMCO Construction Scholarship	Technology Alliance Group Scholarship
Brent and Cherie Walker Scholarship	Ingram Family Fisheries Scholarship	Thank You For Your Service Scholarship
BTC Foundation Scholarship	Jansen Foundation Scholarship	Tiger Construction Company Scholarship
BTC Instrumentation Student Club Scholarship	Jessica Melrose-Luke Foundation Scholarship	Toyota Mercedes Benz Bellingham Scholarship
BTC Nursing Scholarship	Jim and Barbaara Young Scholarship	US Bank Scholarship
Building Diversity Scholarship	Jim & Joan Cunningham Scholarship	Walker Kimberley Scholarship
Burnette Hazen Fund	John & Clare van Amerongen Hatchery Heroes Scholarship	Walton Beverage Company Scholarship
BVTI Director Raymond S. Smith Scholarship	John & Mimi Ferlin Scholarship	Washington Fly Fishing Club Foundation Scholarship
Cascade Natural Gas Scholarship	Lauckhardt Family Scholarship	WCSRA/Velma Wendt Memorial Scholarship
Celedo Fund COVID Heroes Nursing Scholarship	Laughlin Family Welding Scholarship	WECU Scholarship
Champagne High School Scholarship	Linde Gas Scholarship	Whatcom Dream Scholarship
Champagne Retraining Scholarship	LinuxFest NW Scholarship	Whatcom North Rotary Club Scholarship
Chuckanut Bay Gallery Scholarship	Marty & Gail Haines Scholarship	Wilson Engineering Scholarship
Chuckanut Health Foundation McEvoy Family Scholarship	National Science Foundation (NSF) Scholarships	Women's Network of Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery Scholarship
Computer Network Programs Scholarship	McNeese Scholarship	Woo Family Scholarship
Dan Bragg Memorial Welding Scholarship	Mitcheco Family Scholarship	Western States Petroleum Association Scholarship (WSPA)
Dave Maricle HVAC Memorial Scholarship	Owl and Cedar Scholarship	Young Native American Women in Aquaculture Scholarship

DONOR HONOR ROLL 2021-2022

The below list includes gifts made between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022; does not include in-kind contributions. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the Honor Roll, errors may occur. Please inform us of any errors or omissions by contacting the Foundation office at 360-752-8684 or btcfoundation@btc.edu.

4th Corner Elites Car Club of Bellingham	Chuckanut Health Foundation	Marlyce Hogan	Michael Massey
A1DesignBuild	Brandi Civico	Dennis and Sylvia Holmstrom	Karen McGuinn
Abbott Laboratories	Judy Corliss	Home Port Learning Center	Patricia McKeown
Debbie Ahl and Bill Ziels	Jennifer Cottrell	Nyssa Howell	Patrick and Lucinda McMahan
Diane Albright and Georgia Hulac	Greg and Linda Cowan	Walter Hudsick	Terri McMahan
American Association of University Women (AAUW)	Kimberly Cowan	Krystle Hushagen	Chantel McMahan
Andrew Higby Estate	Linda and Ken Crawford	IBSS Corporation	Linda McShane
Anonymous	Sarah Crawford	Frank and Patti Imhof	Kathryn Merris
Anvil Corporation	Jim and Joan Cunningham	Marsha Isenhardt	Barry and Debby Meyers
Charles Ariz and Ann McQuade	Margaret and Marc Curtis	Sharon and Steve Isenhardt	Eleanor Mischaikow
Automotive Service Association of Washington (ASA)	Doug Cutting	Jansen Foundation (Eleanor & Henry)	John Mitchell and Emily Pacheco
Patricia Balletto	Connie Daugherty	Katherine Jensen	Bob and Jeanette Morse
Bank of the Pacific	Laura Doss	Julie Johansen and Bob Moles	Judson and Michelle Morse
Hank and Erin Baumgart	Nathan and Amanda Dwyer	Robin Johnson	Mike and Lisa Morse
Joanna Baxley	Echo Foundation	Debra and Dave Jones	Mount Baker Foundation
Daniel Beeson	Christine Eder and Guy Smith	Susan Jones	Mount Baker Theatre
Bellingham Bay Builders	Stewart Ellison	Dave Jungkuntz	Kathleen Mratinich
Spencer Berger	Ferguson Foundation (George & Ruth)	Rick and Ann Kaiser	Veronica Mratinich and James Benvenega
David and Cheryl Blair	John and Mimi Ferlin	Diane and Michael Kanda	Mark and Linda Muljat
BP Cherry Point	Arline Fonda	Linda Kays	Lindsay Myers
BP Corporation North America, Inc.	James and Valerie Frank	Steve and Margie Kimberley	David and Lynne Nelson
Chris Brod	Dean and Denise Fulton	Tyler and Ashley Kimberley	Gary and Patty Nelson
Brooks Manufacturing	Gary and Sharon Fulton	Kiwanis Club of Bellingham	Melisa Nelson
Jan Brumfield	Greg and Raena Fulton	Paul Klanica	Phil Nelson
BTC Bellingham Technical College	Lauren Gaiser	Matty Klopp	Loraine Boland and Raymond Nelson
BTC Foundation	Gene Haas Foundation	Diana Knight	Patricia Newbold
Mike and Odelia Burke	Mary Gerard	Kevan and Polly Kvamme	Northwest Indian College
Jill Burns	Lawrence Goolsby	Marge Laidlaw and Scott Wallace	Northwest Organization for Animal Health (NOAH)
David Canterman	Jo Guthrie	Charles and Karen Lauckhardt	Opportunity Council
Canyon Industries, Inc.	Joy Haertig and Elaine Thompson	Gregg and Ronda Laughlin	Oregon Community Foundation
Cascade Natural Gas	Scott Ham and Christina Dodd-Ham	Beverlee Leeper	Mark and Helen Packer
Charities Aid Foundation of America	Bev McMahan Helton	Linde Gases	Amanda Palmer
Chuckanut Builders	Dustin and Caitie Henry	LinuxFest Northwest	Jeff Parker
	HF Sinclair	Jessica Luke	Susan Parker and Rob Costello
	Lynda Hinton	Russ Lybecker and Wendy Galasso	

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TRIBUTE GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF HOLLI BRAWLEY

Donna Blankinship
Bruce Boyer
Amanda Cambre

This year, BTC's Employee Recognition Celebration was themed "Under the Big Top" and was a special 'virtual' Zoom celebration attended by more than 150 employees. There were raffles, trivia games, and recognition of employee longevity with 'then-and-now' photographs of staff members and video interviews with retiring colleagues.

Additionally, two instructors were awarded with grants from the Haskell Endowment for Faculty Excellence: Karen Camden and Lisa Dzyban, DVM.

HONORING OUR 2021-22 RETIREES

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| Susan Bargewell | Al Jensen |
| Tom Carson | Craig Perry-Ollila |
| David Dettman | Diane Pollard |
| Kathy Follman | Gary Patterson |
| Susan Furler | Ann Marie Read |
| Jose "Chico" Herrera | |

Our Fearless Leaders
Leadership has been super supportive! Thanks everyone!

Way to go Andri! You are a treasure!

Sebastian has made this campus beautiful!

Everyone on the Library staff
Thank you for all the support you provide to students!

Andrea Johnson and Linda Hegeberg are just amazing! Our students are lucky to have them!

PLT
UNITE AND LEAD
Our leadership team truly cares about the wellbeing of this college. It is evident that they collaborate and really listen to the needs of students and employees and operations, even if that means making hard decisions. I can't begin to tell you how much I am appreciative of our leadership.

To all of our employees!

Folks who coordinated (any) event in the past (oh god, how long has it been now) - Your ability to be nimble and your dedication to making things happen at BTC is

To literally every faculty member:

Michelle R had a REAL SNAKE on her neck. Jus' sayin!

A big Thank you to my fellow Reggie's. You really know how to make a new person feel welcome. And you are so helpful to me - with my endless questions. ...Tom B

Facilities!
Thank you for getting us through covid!

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Do you all think Ann Marie Read would maybe agree to be my aunt? I haven't met her, but I'm pretty sure we all could use that warmth.

Caren Kongshaug 20 years of genius.

Karen Camden Rocks!

BCIS
Thank you so much for the support from the BCIS program!

Heide Willbrant RULES!
Seriously. This glorious human is the glue that holds this place together. Wow. The holder of much knowledge and boundless wisdom.

The Big Top
All involved with putting on this event... I so admire your creativity and enthusiasm!

A HUGE shoutout to Rena Pope and the entourage team who has ROCKED at this new pay system!

To the cctLink Project Team

Go Fisheries Team!

Nat!!

Mathew Santos
How does he do it?!!

Thanks my fellow student services staff for keeping me sane... well at least partly sane.

Neck Deep

YOU'RE SIMPLY THE BEST
The Business Office! I don't think anyone needs an explanation or rationale at this point in time. Bravo, Bravo!

Thank you, IT, for keeping us running throughout this transition!

Thank you to all the behind the scenes folks working on the cctLink! You have done amazing work!

A big lift
cctLink implementation team had to work overtime this year to get up and going. Kudos to everyone who made it happen as smoothly as possible!

I appreciate all of Reelz's work on our Year 7 accreditation visit!

Nursing and Allied Health faculty and staff navigating the pandemic. Ya'll Rock!

Our Deans and VPs have all been incredible Heavy Lifters this year, sharing the administrative load to keep the college running through Covid and leadership changes.

IPA is an amazing department to work with! Super supportive and wonderful group to be a part of!

Hannah and Danielle
Wow! Making things HAPPEN and getting so many initiatives off the ground during this especially difficult year.

Christian, Justin, Michael, Curtis & Alex!
Without you all I wouldn't be able to connect, literally. Thank you all for helping me and all of us keep our sanity through all the passwords changes, computer changes, phone issues, Remote Desktop snafus and office switcheroos! You all are great!

Chantel has an amazing amount of patience and grace under enormous amounts of pressure!

Student Services have been superstars juggling so many changes and helping students navigate everything!

My goodness! Where to start!!
So impressed with the leadership of Heidi Ypma and her calm demeanor.

The Business Office has done a stellar job of keeping the college going during the conversion to cctLink and afterwards. Every single person has had a key part in this! Joanna Bales, Bonita Chiono, Becky Cox, Lauren Gaiser, Deborah Gervais, Becky Jones, Brianna Lewis, Marina Polishuk, Rena Pope, Lindsay Putnam, and the greatest Finance leader in all the land, Sherry Mirminger.

When One of Us Shines



Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

The Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Team has been fully engaged since January 2022 and put on over 30 trainings, programs, professional development opportunities, heritage month events and forums. DEI has served on over 20 committees at BTC and in the community. In the spring we launched the campus climate survey and partnered with colleagues to create more accessible bathrooms across campus.

Over the summer, members of BTC came together with DEI to celebrate Pride and to showcase our Process Technologies program at the Birchwood International Market and Bellingham Farmers Market. In fall of '22 DEI created a DEI Certificate program and brought module 1 of that training to the Fall Kick Off! DEI continues to work diligently with the DEI Committee to review and create more inclusive and equitable policies and procedures for BTC and to support the BTC Strategic Plan.

Governor's Visit to BTC

Last July, Governor Jay Inslee toured Bellingham Technical College's Nursing & Allied Health programs to see the work the college is doing to prepare students for medical field professions.

In the state's supplemental budget, BTC received \$200,000 to help students enter the health workforce and \$425,000 to purchase or upgrade simulation laboratory equipment. These awards will help expand our simulation laboratories and enable BTC to serve more nursing students.



Remembering Dave Maricle

Last year we lost longtime former BTC instructor, Dave Maricle. Dave graduated from Nooksack Valley High School in 1974 and trained at Bellingham VocTech in the HVAC industry, where he went from service tech to HVAC manager to VP of the HVAC division before beginning his 23-year teaching career at Bellingham Technical College.

Dave will be remembered by his beat poetry presentations at college events with Marty Vandekamp and his work at the ice cream stand during the old Welding Rodeo. Dave always showed his commitment to teaching and learning at BTC, and uplifted our campus community.

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