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Letter from the President

Dear Donors and Friends:

Even as we emerge from COVID-19, its effects, financial uncertainties and economic fallout continue to impact our community. During this challenging time, renewed movements for social justice reflect our society's shortcomings while calling each of us to be present for one another as we strive to promote equity and inclusion. The course forward for Minneapolis College is driven by the vision and values expressed in our Strategic Plan. At the core we are a mission-driven community that puts our students first.

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

– Nelson Mandela

Nelson Mandela's words remind me how important our work is and how the actions we take today will change the future for the communities we serve. I'm pleased to share with you just a few ways we're fulfilling our mission:

- Minneapolis College is taking a deep dive into understanding trauma and how faculty and employees can better support our students and each other.
- A new student onboarding process is providing information and support tailored to individual student needs.



- Several new programs are meeting market demands, including Architectural Virtual Reality and Rendering; Bicycle Assembly and Repair; Cyber Security and Defense; Environmental Science; .Net Developer and Web Developer.
- Guided Learning Pathways are streamlining each student's journey to graduation by providing structured support to help ensure students achieve their goals.
- Minneapolis College is providing increased access to basic needs resources—for mental and physical health, nutrition, housing, supplies and essential student services.
- Bridging the Equity Gap Scholarship Program is reaching, educating and cultivating future male leaders who identify as Black, African American or American Indian, equipping them with tools to see greatness in themselves as well as in the experiences of others.

I'm encouraged by the progress we've made, and I'm confident our work will only deepen as we look to the future. Thank you for all the ways you support Minneapolis College and our students. From your gifts of time, volunteering at events and in the classroom, to your generous financial support, you're making a difference in the lives of individual students and helping create a more equitable and vibrant community for all of us.

Sincerely,

President Sharon J. Pierce

Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Donors and Friends,

First and foremost, thank you for your generous support of Minneapolis College. Your contributions of time, talent and treasure keep students solidly on the path to a degree and to a better life.

Each year as your generosity grows, Minneapolis College is able to support more students and offer new programming and resources to better serve their needs. Your support empowers individuals who will fill important roles in our community including home health aides, nurses, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration technicians, aircraft maintenance professionals and individuals who continue to four-year programs and everything in-between.

You have a direct impact on the lives of individual students, their families and our community. In 2021, more than 900 graduates entered the workforce; nearly one third of them were supported financially thanks to your generosity.

This year the Foundation provided Minneapolis College with funds to enroll the first students at the Lino Lakes Correctional Facility in the Transformation and Reentry Through Education and Community (TREC) program. TREC is a powerful collaboration with the Minnesota Department of Corrections offering individuals a pathway to successful community re-entry through education. This report offers more detail about this exciting new offering at Minneapolis College.



We have an ambitious goal for the 2021-22 academic year as we challenge ourselves to increase our fundraising to \$1,685,000 for direct student support (scholarships) and programs and operations that sustain excellence at Minneapolis College. Our top priorities include the Minneapolis College Scholarship Fund, our new Bridge and Honors Scholar Cohorts, Workforce Development Scholarships and outreach to Twin Cities-area middle schools and high schools to connect students with pathways to higher education and careers that pay a livable wage.

Thank you for your partnership in these efforts!

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B Wadsworth". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Beverly Wadsworth

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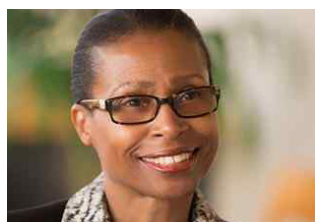
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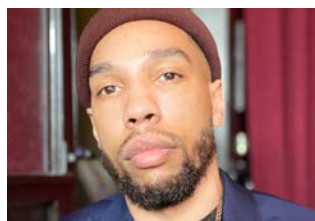
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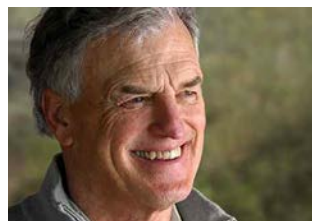
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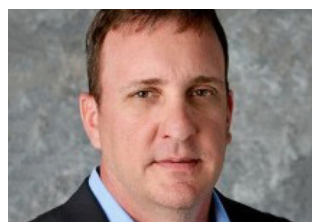
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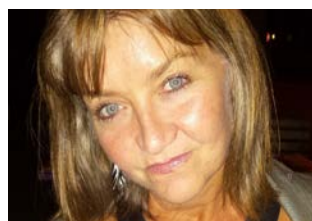
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Letter from the Minneapolis College Foundation **Board President**

Dear Donors and Friends,

It is with a grateful and humble heart that I write to thank you for your steadfast support of Minneapolis College and its students. Your generosity continues to grow and amaze us! Over the past year, gifts to the Minneapolis College Foundation increased by 87%, to \$1.4 million.

Your generosity is funding everything from direct student support to new programming and services that address the unique experiences and needs of Minneapolis College students. Through direct student support the College can provide scholarships to cover tuition and fees, transportation, technology, tools and equipment needed to pursue trade and technical careers and even one-time emergencies that could otherwise cause a student to drop out of school.

Nearly 300 students received a combined \$557,000 in scholarship support. This direct financial support empowered these students to persist and succeed in their individual academic pursuits. As we look forward to the coming year, we have an ambitious goal to raise \$500,000 for the Minneapolis College Scholarship Fund. This Fund allows the College the flexibility to award scholarships to students with the greatest need across all program areas of the College.



We will also focus on fundraising for our Bridge Scholars Program, our new Honor's Program and the President's Excellence Fund. The President's Excellence Fund provides support to many things – from general operations to scholarships and program support to College initiatives intended to sustain excellence at Minneapolis College.

I invite you to reach out to me, other Directors on the Foundation Board or the Director of the Foundation, Beverly Wadsworth, and her team to connect your philanthropic goals with opportunities at Minneapolis College.

Together we are leveraging the transformative power of education and philanthropy to create a more vibrant and equitable community for all of us. I look forward to seeing you in person in the coming year.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Hammes-Betti". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephanie Hammes-Betti

Bridging the **Equity Gap**

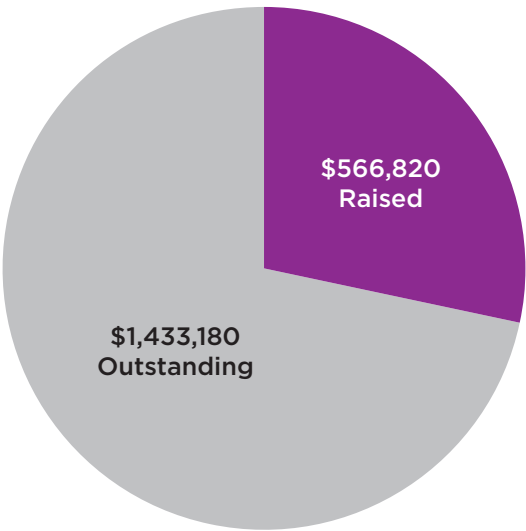
Minneapolis College believes eliminating equity gaps in educational outcomes is an essential path forward to a more equitable and just community for all of us.

Bridging the Equity Gap, a cohort learning initiative, was designed to reach, educate and cultivate future male leaders who identify as Black, African American and American Indian. A comprehensive academic, leadership-learning community, this cohort equips students with tools to see greatness in themselves as well as in the experiences of others.

Students in the program receive academic support and coaching, cohort-based learning, peer reinforcement, mentoring and financial assistance.

The program leverages existing Minneapolis College infrastructure and programs to promote success. Whether a student’s goal is to master trade skills or to improve their chances of entering and excelling at a four-year college, this effort will develop the whole person, providing them the leadership competencies and cultural fluency essential for the 21st century.

The cost of this program is just under \$4,000/year per student. “Over the next five years, we aspire to raise two million dollars to fund Bridging the Equity Gap,” said Beverly Wadsworth, director of Institutional Advancement and the Minneapolis College Foundation. “Your generosity and commitment to this effort will determine student success and the impact our graduates have in our community now and for years to come.”



\$2 MILLION ENDOWMENT GOAL
Your gift makes a difference!

Donor Spotlight

Lisa Bergin — A Passionate Advocate for Equity

Minneapolis College philosophy faculty member Lisa Bergin takes great pride in her annual giving plan. She contributes to two Minneapolis College Foundation initiatives, the Bridging the Equity Gap Endowment and the Random Acts of Kindness Fund.

The daughter of first-generation college graduates who both earned a Ph.D. and became college professors, Lisa Bergin recognized the value of an education early on. Ultimately, she followed in her parent's footsteps pursuing the path of education.

During her philosophy studies, Lisa enrolled in an African Philosophy class that opened her eyes to similarities and differences in philosophical traditions. The Ubuntu concept of "I am because we are" inspired her and continues to shape her as an instructor and a passionate advocate of equity.

When Lisa joined Minneapolis College, she brought 14 years of teaching experience and a well-rounded philosophy discourse with her. After arriving at the College, she was encouraged by colleagues to further develop her craft, pursuing best practices and standards for teaching. She embraced every opportunity to learn and credits the creativity, compassion and drive she brings to her work to her students who are skilled at advocating for faculty to show up as their best selves. In turn, she guides students to their own brilliance and supports faculty in developing their own leadership and teaching skills.

As a result of the opportunities she was given and her personal commitment to the community, Lisa sees financial gifts to the Minneapolis College Foundation as her responsibility.



BRIDGING THE EQUITY GAP ENDOWMENT

Over the next five years, Minneapolis College and the Minneapolis College Foundation are committed to eliminating equity gaps in educational outcomes. At the same time, their goal is to improve individual student outcomes from initial college exploration, to enrollment, retention, graduation and life beyond our doors as our graduates move into meaningful employment or continue their education at other institutions. The Bridging the Equity Gap Endowment is part of this commitment.

"An important backbone in my role as a human is to push equity systemwide, working with faculty, staff and the administration to close equity gaps," said Lisa, who aligns with the College's belief that eliminating equity gaps in educational outcomes is an essential path forward to a more equitable and just community for all of us. "My history is rooted in social justice and a gift to the Bridging the Equity Gap Endowment creates opportunities for students to reach their goals."

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS FUNDING

“Unforeseen financial emergencies can happen to students at any phase in their academic journey,” said Lisa, who has encountered students in her classroom who faced financial crisis during their time at the college. “The Random Acts of Kindness Fund provides emergency assistance funding for students who are experiencing a financial crisis, so their education is not disrupted by a situation that is beyond their control. Alongside other donors, my gift creates opportunities for students to stay in school. I can’t think of a better way to invest in my community than to support students at Minneapolis College through its Foundation.”

Lisa was recently recognized by Minnesota State as an Educator of the Year. Educators of the Year awards are bestowed upon faculty to acknowledge and reward exceptional professional accomplishment, and to encourage ongoing excellence in teaching.

“Bridging the Equity Gap Scholarships support student success through personal, cultural and professional engagement. This approach plans to demonstrate a positive impact on student retention and graduation and a deeper sense of connection to the College.”

**Patrick Troup,
Vice President of
Student Affairs**



“Students experiencing a financial crisis can be forced to withdraw from classes, drop out, or not graduate or transfer in time. Our emergency grants assist students in paying for unforeseen expenses, ultimately encouraging their success.”

Becky Nordin, Dean of Students



The award proclaims, on behalf of the entire Minnesota State system, the Board of Trustees’ pride in the dedication and accomplishment of its faculty who provide instruction that prepares Minnesota State college and university students for their professional, scholarly and civic lives.

“Lisa is a relentlessly hard-working and student-centered faculty member,” said Sharon Pierce, president of Minneapolis College. “She consistently challenges herself by engaging in critical analysis of her teaching methods and practice in order to provide the best instruction and environment for her students. Her emphasis for several years has been closing success gaps in courses she teaches, and more recently sharing what she has learned about culturally responsive pedagogy and curriculum with fellow faculty throughout the system.”

According to Scholarship America, emergency grant recipients are three times more likely to stay in school, with 95% completing the term they were enrolled in and 88% enrolling the next term. The emergency funding helps students at critical times so they don’t have to put their dreams on hold.

Transformation and Reentry through Education and Community (TREC)

Minneapolis College, Minnesota Department of Corrections (MnDOC), Lino Lakes Correctional Facility and Stillwater Correctional Facility joined in a partnership in 2021 to provide eligible incarcerated students the opportunity to achieve a two-year Associate of Arts degree at no cost. The program enrolled more than 80 students in the first year and will enroll 150 students for 2022-23. Funding has been provided through grants and donations from Ascendium, Jobs for the Future and Minneapolis College Foundation. The program was also awarded the U.S. Department of Education's Second Chance Pell experimental site so that incarcerated students are eligible for Federal Pell grants. Second Chance Pell will allow the program to expand enrollment, provide additional services, add new AA and AS programs and partner with Metropolitan State University for a bachelor's degree.

Matthew Palombo, philosophy faculty at Minneapolis College and program coordinator at Lino Lakes, created the program after being inspired by former students who are incarcerated and talking to administrators at the college, Randy Bergman, education director at Lino Lakes, and Janet Morales and Daniel Karpowitz from MnDOC. He was driven to provide participants new opportunities to build their skills and improve their odds of long-term success. Maran Wolston, philosophy faculty at Minneapolis College, taught Logic at Lino Lakes in spring 2022 to more than 40 students and has since become program coordinator at Stillwater.



"We know that providing a college education is proven to reduce recidivism rates and increase employment, both of which improves public safety and allows individuals to return home and be positive contributors in their communities," said Matthew Palombo, who appreciates the student energy and collaborations backing the program. "The program has been building since fall of 2021 where we are striving to create an educational environment and culture inside of prisons."

The expanded program called for a new name. Students reflected on their experiences and the name Transformation and Reentry through Education and Community (TREC) was born. "The name exemplifies student experiences and their long and difficult journey to freedom," said Matthew, who shared stories of students who were released

from Lino Lakes Correctional Facility and matriculated to campus. "I've been teaching for more than 20 years and through this program, I see our mission of the transformational power of education played out in the lives of people in our prison systems. Every day has been met with excitement, challenges and gratitude of students who are laser-focused, energized and outperforming their peers."

The Minneapolis College Foundation has been instrumental to students transitioning from prison to campus. "The Yes You Can scholarship was created by generous donors to support students facing unexpected financial barriers immediately upon release," said Matthew. "This scholarship enables students a smooth transition to continue moving forward, prosper and advance their lives."

Student Spotlight

Travis Hansen — Staying Focused and Positive

Travis Hansen, a Minneapolis College student studying Architectural Technology, became a student at Lino Lakes Correctional Facility through the TREC program. The first student to start studying on campus after being released, he is embracing the pressure with patience and a positive mindset, knowing he is paving the way for students who will follow him.

“I am thankful for the support and countless resources made available to me by Minneapolis College, the Minneapolis College Foundation and their community partners,” said Travis Hansen, who was released early to attend college on campus. “I was welcomed and supported as I moved through unexpected barriers. Faculty and staff at the college wanted to ensure I had every opportunity available to me. It has been amazing.”

Travis has a history of construction management experience so studying Architectural Technology just made sense. At the start of his studies on campus, Travis encountered an unexpected financial challenge. He was able to access funding through the Minneapolis College Foundation. The Foundation has been raising funds for scholarships to support students in the TREC Program, ensuring they can continue their education in the event of something unexpected. The funding allowed Travis to continue his studies seamlessly and he plans to transfer to Moorhead State University after graduation.



RUNNING FOR CHANGE

TREC participants like Travis are known for going above and beyond both on and off campus. Running for Change, a student-led running group at Minneapolis College, was started out of a desire to raise money for supplies for TREC participants who often experience a lack of financial resources for the basic tools they need for their education.

The group uses running as a catalyst for change in our community and seeks to raise awareness around social issues, encouraging community building through running. “Running was something everybody in prison could do and brought people together,” said Matthew Palombo, philosophy faculty and program coordinator at Lino Lakes. “The students host a 5K run every Friday at Minneapolis College and every Saturday at Lino Lakes. It’s an opportunity to get people together to run for health and fitness and a purpose.”

Travis is proud to be building a foundation for future TREC participants through both his studies and Running for Change. “My success equals other people’s successes,” said Travis. “The hardships I encounter will help other people relate and move through the program more easily.”

Donor Spotlight, **Linda and John Satorius — The Yes You Can Scholarship**

When Linda and John Satorius sold their family home in South Minneapolis, they moved to a new downtown residence overlooking Minneapolis College. Linda Satorius had a previous connection with the school, having served on a Citizen's Advisory Committee in the early 1990's, so it just made sense to reengage.

They started with a campus tour to get reacquainted with the College and were impressed with the new initiatives, diverse campus community and the vast business partnerships that expand the opportunities for students beyond the classroom.

Linda and John met with Minneapolis College Foundation staff to learn how they could maximize the impact of a financial gift. This is when they learned about the Transforming and Re-entry Through Education and Community (TREC) Program, a partnership between Minneapolis College and Lino Lakes Correctional Facility. The program provides eligible incarcerated students, and individuals who have recently been released, the opportunity to earn a two-year Associate of Arts degree. They knew creating the Yes You Can Scholarship would be the perfect fit.

Historically, John mentored a young man who served time in the criminal justice system. He witnessed the enormous hurdles his mentee faced when he was released from prison, including housing and financial insecurities as well as barriers encountered as a result of his probation status.



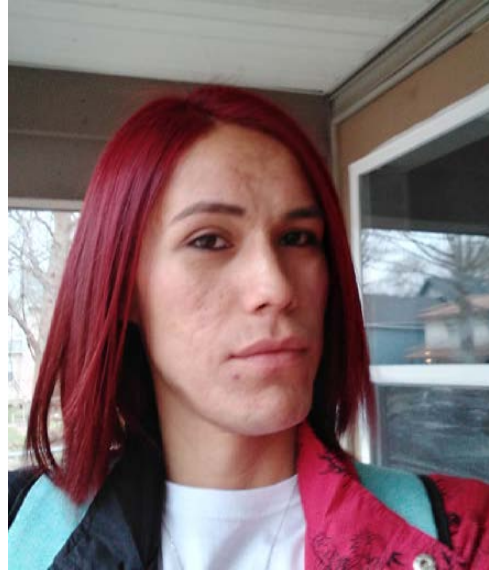
"This important group of people needs resources that support them in moving forward," said Linda and John, who see the opportunity to attend school as a vote of confidence. "TREC reimagines the criminal justice system because it's about moving on and supporting people in taking advantage of opportunities instead of blocking them. The Scholarships we created, called Yes You Can, are awarded to previously incarcerated students who experience financial hardships that could prevent them from continuing their education."

"The TREC Program and the Yes You Can Scholarship together provide an immediate tangible solution," said Linda and John, who encourage other donors to contribute to the scholarship and get involved on campus. "Minneapolis College is an asset to our community and giving to the College helps eliminate barriers and gives participants every opportunity to recognize and reach their goals."

Student Spotlight

Adrianna Mattinas — Creating a Movement for Change

When Adrianna Mattinas stepped on campus at Minneapolis College she was immediately welcomed, supported and encouraged to reach for her goals.



“Right away, I noticed how open, safe and encouraging the campus community felt,” said Adrianna Mattinas, who enrolled in the TREC program in February of 2021 while serving time at Lino Lakes Correctional Facility. She matriculated to campus after her release in April of 2021. “As a Native American transgender person who grew up in Northern Minnesota, I appreciate the diversity of the student body and how the College strives to eliminate barriers and build bridges.”

“When you step into prison, you step back 20 years,” said Adrianna, who shared how humiliating and dehumanizing the criminal justice system can be. “The movement of change is not there. I want to be part of creating a movement for change, ensuring regardless of a person’s identity they are not treated as abnormal or dysfunctional and tossed away.”

In order to accomplish her goals, Adrianna started working toward a dual degree in Liberal

Arts and Community Development. Upon her release from Lino Lakes, she encountered difficulty securing safe and affordable housing due to lack of financial resources. The Minneapolis College Foundation granted her a Yes You Can Scholarship enabling her to secure housing and providing a boost to her confidence and choice to continue pursuing her education.

“Since I began my studies at Minneapolis College, my outlook has continued to grow,” said Adriana, who shared how the TREC program has provided her the resources and opportunity for education and self-growth. “Being part of a college community has allowed me to take risks in a supportive community.”

Adrianna expects to graduate from Minneapolis College in the fall of 2023 and transfer to a four-year school to obtain her bachelor’s. In the meantime, she’s staying focused and involved, poised to be instrumental in facilitating change.

CAREERS BEGIN IN COLLEGE

Minneapolis College believes a student’s career begins in college. It’s Career Services department helps students explore who they are, find real, work-related experience and prepare them for a successful job search.

When John and Linda Satorius were touring campus, they were impressed with the number of occupations and potential employment opportunities available through the College’s employer partner connections. They spotted a list of the top employers that actively recruited through the Career Services department and recognized how careers were launched through the College. The top employers include:

M Health Fairview
Target
US Bank
Metropolitan Council
Urban Scholars
Brand Lab
Hennepin County
Hennepin Healthcare
North Memorial Health
Graco
Standard Heating
& Air Conditioning

Helping Students Succeed

Minneapolis College is where students can map out their future in a learning environment filled with energy and opportunity. One of the most diverse college campuses in Minnesota, the College hosts more than 70 percent of students who identify as people of color, American Indian, two or more races, international, low income or first generation. At Minneapolis College, we strive to eliminate barriers, build bridges and cross them together.



\$500,000
in scholarships
awarded every year



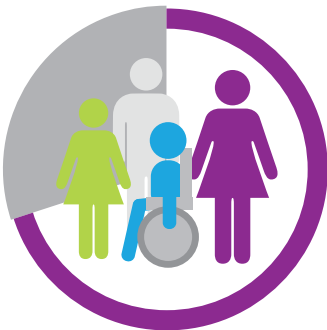
10,000
passionate students
enrolled annually



100+
degrees offered



27%
are first generation
college students



70%
are from under-
represented groups



72%
of students receive
financial aid



19:1
average student
to faculty ratio



15%
of students experience
homelessness

Alumni Spotlight

Carlos Virgen — Reaching Higher

In 2008 Carlos Virgen was living in Minneapolis, working bottom of the ladder, entry-level jobs, and being turned down for management opportunities whenever he reached for a higher rung. Despite being capable, he kept bumping into the ceiling of needing a prerequisite degree. He also had a challenge that many people living in America have.

At the time Carlos Virgen was undocumented, which put him in a frustrating catch-22. He needed a degree to improve his professional situation. He didn't think he could afford college with the low-paying jobs he'd been working. He thought his status as undocumented meant there wasn't any hope of moving closer to his goals. Then a friend mentioned Minneapolis College.

"Back in 2008 I was undocumented, so I didn't think college was a possibility. I met with an academic advisor, Rose Vega (now retired) who provided me with useful information that gave me hope. I applied and started college in the fall of 2008." One of the benefits he learned about was the Srok Memorial ESL Scholarship, which he received for two years, and credits it as a major contributor to making his education affordable.

With the help of those resources, he enrolled in school. Once there, he had the same nerves and anxieties any of us would, but Minneapolis College made an immediate positive impression. Carlos found comfort in the school's diversity, both among the student body and faculty.



He also took advantage of the many resources at the Learning Center. "I remember when Dr. Ursula Walsh told me that if I needed help with homework, she would accompany me to the library to get a tutor. The Learning Center was quite an important part of my success," said Carlos.

Carlos is now a proud alum of Minneapolis College, and attributes the compassion and diversity he found there as being keys to his success. He is now a licensed insurance provider, a part-time potter and owns a small cleaning company. "At Minneapolis College, I learned important tools to manage my employees with respect and dignity."

Alumni Spotlight, Patsy Thaiyeng — A Reputation for Perseverance

Six years after graduating from high school with a 1.7 GPA, Patsy Thaiyeng moved from a place of uncertainty to developing a reputation for perseverance. During that time, she earned three degrees including an associate of arts in human services from Minneapolis College, a bachelor's in social work from Augsburg College and a master's in social work from Loyola University in Chicago.

As a concert photographer, Patsy Thaiyeng spent a lot of time in music venues throughout Minneapolis. As a result, she became familiar with the area, including the Minneapolis College campus located on the edge of downtown. "The campus felt like the right place to begin my college career and Minneapolis College allowed me to start over, without judgment, in a supportive environment," said Patsy, who enrolled as part of Power of YOU, an academic support and scholarship program that provides individual student advising, community and financial support to students in need.

"I loved my time at Minneapolis College," said Patsy, who appreciated the diversity of student perspectives she encountered. "I gained a lot of insight from the real life experiences of my peers which prepared me for my continued education and future career in social work. When someone approaches me with a challenge, I know what to do."

MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP MAKES GRADUATION POSSIBLE

Prior to her graduation, Patsy discovered she was two classes short of the requirements she needed to graduate. She was also out of financial resources. Her advisor, who had supported her every step of the way, walked her down to the Minneapolis College



Foundation, shared her story and asked about financial resources. Patsy was welcomed with open arms and the Foundation provided a scholarship to fund her last two classes making graduation possible.

"Thanks to the generous donation from the Minneapolis College Foundation, I was able to complete my degree," said Patsy, who also learned how to believe in herself, bet on herself and ask for help through the experience. "I was moved knowing someone believed in me and was willing to step forward and provide the financial resources I needed to continue my education. I will be forever grateful."

Looking back, Patsy credits the comprehensive support she received at Minneapolis College as critical to her ongoing success. The first in her family to earn a master's degree, she continues her work as a concert photographer while working toward her license in social work at a school in the Loop neighborhood of Chicago.

Power of Dreams, Power of Giving

The 2021 Power of Dreams celebration, held on October 2, 2021, included an online presentation to share the work of the Foundation. Student, alumni and donor stories provided meaning to the impact of a financial gift.

On the same day as the Power of Dreams celebration, the Foundation held an in-person scholarship breakfast. More than 80 donors, students and staff attended the event to celebrate students who reached success with the support of a scholarship.



Mentorship Matters

Minneapolis College believes mentors are an important part of the academic experience for students. They understand mentees listen, provide encouragement and support and offer guidance as students navigate their college path and strive toward personal, academic and career goals.

“Whether students need to trouble-shoot a problem, get to know the many college resources available on campus or are seeking ways to be the best student possible, our mentors can help guide them on their path to success,” said April Hanson, director of the Academic Success Center, who hopes the services connect students, build rapport and allow for authenticity and inclusiveness in the relationships being built.

Minneapolis College offers a range of mentoring opportunities to encourage student success.

The Peer-to-Peer Mentor Program offers mentoring and tutoring. Peer mentors and tutors can assist students in troubleshooting problems or helping students get to know the myriad resources on campus.

Minneapolis College mathematics major Mohamed Khalil was always interested in mentoring and is now an active mentor on campus. “I believe a mentor is someone who has your back through the hard times and will hold the best intentions for you,” said Khalil, who recognizes that a mentor’s main goal is to help other students succeed. Khalil hopes students can build strong relationships with him and other mentors, building the skills necessary to be successful. “I hope our mentees gain the strength and positive attitude needed to take on all of life’s challenges.”



The Career Readiness Mentor Program connects students with a professional mentor based on needs within their major or on their career path. In addition to informational interviews, mentors provide resume feedback, mock interviews and more.

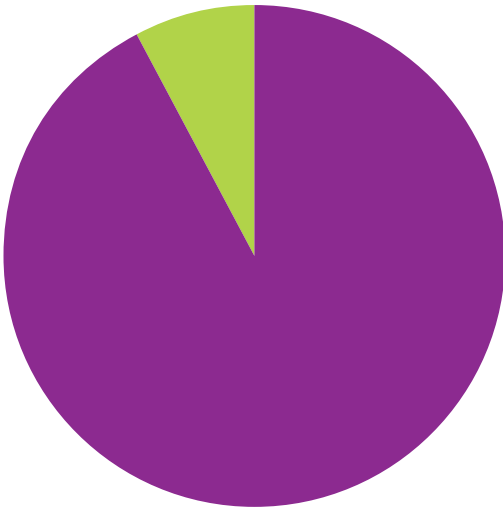
The Hennepin Connections Basilica Mentor Program was created in partnership with the Basilica of Saint Mary to support students who have experienced homelessness or poverty. Mentors offer weekly check-ins and large group gatherings bring students together throughout the year. Once a student completes a year of the program, the Basilica of Saint Mary provides a \$1,500 award to the participating student.

The Bridging the Equity Gap Scholarship Program (Bridge Scholars) is an opportunity for Black and Indigenous male students to be a part of a community engaged in experiential learning, mentorship and leadership. Through academic, social and cultural support, students will be equipped with a quality education and the tools to see greatness in themselves, others and the community.

If you would like to become a mentor on campus, visit us at minneapolis.edu/student-life/mentor-programs to learn how you can make an impact.

2021 Revenue

Minneapolis College Foundation



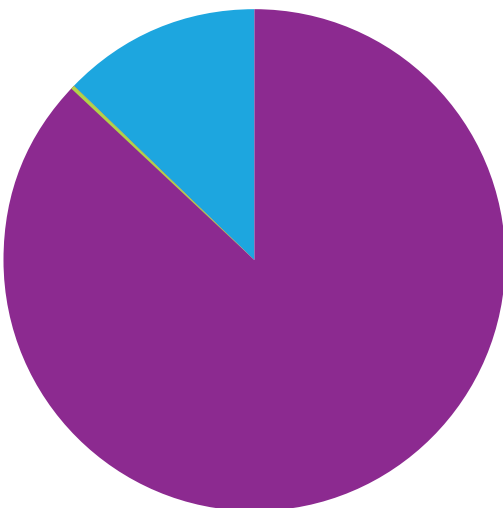
Contributions and Grants \$1,441,978

Investment Income \$119,201

Total Revenue \$1,561,179

2021 Expenses

Minneapolis College Foundation



Contributions and Grants \$561,044

Fundraising \$1,303

Operational Expenses \$80,559

Total Expenses \$642,906

2021 Donors

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\$500

pays transportation costs for one semester



\$1,000

pays for books and supplies for one year



\$5,900

covers annual tuition for most degrees



\$10,000

covers academic-related expenses plus incidentals for one year



\$25,000+

endows a scholarship in perpetuity

2022-2023 Events for Alumni, Donors and Friends

REDEMPTION

An original play celebrating the journey of recovery and based on the lives and experiences of the Minneapolis College Community. Funded in-part by the Minneapolis College Foundation.

June 16, 17, 18, 23 & 24 at 7 p.m.

June 18 & 28 at 2 p.m.

WELCOME WEEK

August 22 – 27, 2022

POWER OF GIVING – SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST RECEPTION

October 13, 2022

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

January 19, 2023

SPRING ARTS SHOWCASE

April – May 2023

PRESIDENT'S GIVING CIRCLE LUNCHEON

May 2023

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