Dear Friends,

It’s my privilege to serve as the Chemeketa Foundation’s Board President and share our 2016 Annual Report with you. I want to thank each and every one of you for your continued support of Chemeketa and our students. Together we are unlocking the unlimited potential of our students while making a positive impact on their families and our communities.

In 2016, 1,614 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships; 504 scholarships were awarded; $5,252 was the estimated cost of attending Chemeketa for one term (tuition, fees, books, rent, transportation, personal expenses, etc.) and $1,200 was our average annual scholarship award.

I hope you’ll continue to keep the Chemeketa Foundation at the top of your list of philanthropic priorities. Because of you and your support, we are making college possible and changing lives one student at a time. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rich Duncan
Foundation President
STUDENT PROFILE

The Chemeketa Foundation was founded in 1973 by a small group of community members offering small loans to help student-parents in need attend Chemeketa Community College. With rising costs of childcare and the need for reliable daycare services for our students, this scholarship remains an area of greatest need for the Chemeketa Foundation.

“After five years in the military, my wife and I decided it was time to pursue our education. Relocating back to Oregon was difficult, especially with no home and no financial security. Despite those obstacles along the road, we continued to look forward and make the best of our situation. We found a home, found jobs, enrolled in school, and welcomed our firstborn son into this world last summer.

I chose Chemeketa because of its outstanding electronics program and limitless resources. Being awarded this scholarship was an incredible feeling knowing there was help for us when we needed it the most.

I cannot thank you enough for my childcare scholarship and the support you have offered my family.”

Joe & Tenton

CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP
Chemeketa is a college community enriched by the diversity of our students, staff and community members. We are proud that our students have the opportunity to learn from people of different backgrounds, experiences, preferences, life stages and worldviews.

“Many students have spoken to me about their financial hardships. Financial barriers make the difference between students completing or stopping their education. By contributing to the Foundation’s emergency fund, I am proud to be able to help.”

Manuel Guerra, Dean, Student Retention & College Life

3 out of 10 students are first-generation college students.
In 1994, six community members including Lydia Muniz, Honorable Joseph V. Ochoa, George Puentes Sr., Michael Muniz, Ricardo Baez and Daniel Santos began the Scholarships for Oregon Latinos (SOL) committee. They established the George Puentes Jr. Memorial Scholarship in memory of George Puentes Jr. whose life exemplified his commitment to educational excellence. Since that time, SOL has awarded more than 150 scholarships.

“Supporting Chemeketa is easy for me because it literally changes lives. Helping students achieve their dreams through a quality education impacts not only their lives directly, but those of their families and our community. Where else can you get this type of return on investment?”

Lydia’s vision is to help Hispanic and Latino students reach their potential through education and ultimately become future leaders in their communities. She has spent many years leading fundraising efforts, organizing events, giving generously to the scholarship fund and supporting SOL scholarship recipients through mentoring. We are extremely grateful for her leadership and commitment.

**Lydia**

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**DONOR PROFILE**

**George Puentes Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

Established in remembrance of George Puentes Jr., this memorial scholarship supports full-time Latino and Hispanic students who are focusing on transferring to four-year colleges and universities seeking degrees in engineering, math, law, medicine, education or computer science.
The Chemeketa Foundation supports a wide range of student needs including scholarships for students in specific programs, student parents, first-generation college students, incarcerated students and emergency student-relief funds like the food pantry at the Salem and Yamhill campuses.

**Contributions and bequests** $889,160
**Gifts to endowments** $119,650
**In-kind donations of equipment** $166,955
**Scholarships, student assistance, program support** $958,408

**Foundation investment holdings** $5,017,417
**Restricted funds** $5,459,868
**Unrestricted funds** $307,860

**FOUNDATION FINANCIALS** 2015–2016

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

**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED**
In 2016, over 2,000 students applied for Chemeketa Foundation scholarships. We were able to award more than 500 scholarships thanks to the generosity of our donors.

**GIFTS BY DESIGNATION**
100% of all donations received go directly to supporting students and programs.

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

**AMOUNT AWARDED IN CHEMЕKETA SCHOLARSHIPS**

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**AVERAGE AWARD AMOUNT PER STUDENT**

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**COST OF TUITION AND FEES IN 2015–2016 FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS**

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Chemeketa faculty in the ESOL Program began this scholarship to encourage adult students transitioning from the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and English as Non-native Language (ENL) Programs to continue on to a Chemeketa degree or certificate.

“I was born in Haiti and raised by my grandmother after my parents died when I was the age of two. People would tell me I would never amount to anything, but my grandmother told me how important it was to get an education. When I graduated from high school, I started thinking about the purpose of my life.

I told myself I wanted to do something great before leaving this earth. I want to become a doctor because it will allow me to make a positive impact on humanity.

I hope that I will be able to make a difference in the lives of others just as you have made a difference in mine by helping me with this scholarship.”

Dieumaitre
Chemeketa’s variety of academic programs allows students to find the path to fit their needs. Whether their goal is to finish their first two years of college, take career and technical training needed to qualify for a job or finish their high school education—Chemeketa can propel students toward their future.
During a period of increased demand and shortage of nurses, Chemeketa established this scholarship to assist students in the Nursing Program. It remains one of the most expensive programs Chemeketa offers. Students pursuing a nursing degree are often unable to accommodate even a part-time job due to the rigorous program schedule.

“I turned to nursing as a career choice after caring for a family member in hospice. The area was so far out of town that help would only come twice a week for just a short visit. The nurse was so warm and helpful despite being stretched so thin. I knew I wanted to pursue nursing because I wouldn’t feel that way about any other vocation.

The time I spent caring for my loved one was precious and gave me a sense of purpose. I truly hope to make the most of this scholarship and go on to help others in need.

I hope that your investment in my future will make an even greater impact in the lives of others.”

CHEM EKETA FOUNDATION NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Mercedes
Foundation events in 2016 raised more financial support than in previous years. This is due to the generosity of our sponsors, and the support of individual donors, employees, businesses and organizations throughout the community.

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“I am a veteran who was wounded during my deployment and found myself in need of a new career path due to complications regarding my disabilities. As a father of three young children under the age of 8, I was worried about the cost of going back to school. I came to Chemeketa in hopes of becoming an automotive technician. I could not have found a better fit.

My new dream is to open my own affordable auto shop to help people in need. Your generosity has allowed me to go after my dream of building a better future for my family.

I cannot put into words how much this scholarships means.”

Skylar
Recently I had the privilege of listening to one of our scholarship recipients share her story. With tears in her eyes, she said the most heartfelt thank you. She told us about her family’s recent immigration from Vietnam to the United States. She’s the first person in her family to go to college, she said proudly. Her family expected her to get married and work in a nail salon, but she had different plans. She aspires for more and wants to become a scientist. Her parents didn’t have the funds to send her to college, so she applied for financial aid and Chemeketa Foundation scholarships. And like so many of our recipients, her scholarship made it possible for her to attend college and start her future.

You, our donors, are the reason we are changing lives. You are providing access to a high quality, life-changing education. We see new opportunities to help students each day, and through your continued generosity, we are able to help more students every year.

The opportunities to support the college are numerous and range from providing scholarships to emergency assistance like our student relief and food pantry funds. We hope you find inspiration and validation in the stories within this report. These are lives that are impacted because you have helped make college possible!

Thank you!
“Ever since I was a little girl I wanted to be a nurse. Going back to school after 10 years was tough, but I pushed through and finished my first term with a GPA of 4.0! When I was accepted to the nursing program I had some doubts about how I was going to afford it. Thanks to this amazing scholarship, I’m getting closer to my goal. It shows me that the world is full of good people willing to help others and I hope that when the day comes, I can do the same.”

Tanya F., Jill Blalock Memorial Scholarship recipient
LEGACY GIFTS
The Legacy Society is made up of individuals who have committed to leaving the Foundation a trust, bequest, charitable gift annuity, or other planned gift that will support deserving students for years to come.

MEMORIAL GIFTS
Memorial gifts provide a tribute to a loved one or friend who has passed. Listed below are the donors who’ve made a gift in their memory.

HONORARY GIFTS
These gifts are made in honor of those who have made a lasting impact on the lives of our donors.

HONOR IN MEMORIAM
Our team is sorry to have lost those beloved friends and supporters of the Chemeketa Foundation in 2016. Their legacy of kindness and generosity lives on in our hearts.

The late Dick O’Brien pictured here with wife Betty, Vice President of the Chemeketa Foundation Board of Directors.
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"I have dreamed about graduating for years now and to be on my way and this close to that dream makes me so happy. I will use all of my time, money and energy to have a successful career to support my family. Thank you so much for helping me on this journey."

Josh G., Child Care Scholarship recipient