Giving That Works

Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, Inc. Annual Report July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

YOU Made It Happen!

In April 2012, taxpayers in the communities served by Fox Valley Technical College did a remarkable thing. YOU solidly endorsed the work and impact of FVTC by passing a \$66.5 million referendum with an extremely strong 2-to-1 vote.

As a result, heartbeats abound in our new Health Simulation and Technology Center; the expanded Service Motor Company Agriculture Center will become the first in our state to offer studies in precision agriculture and power agriculture; and the enlarged J. J. Keller Transportation Center is preparing more individuals to ensure that transporting people and product is done safely and on time. The Student Success Center is under construction and will provide space for innovative, collaborative, and team-based learning; and there is so much happening at the development site of the Public Safety Training Center, you really need to see it for yourself. Planning for the addition in Chilton is underway; and we continue to research land offerings in the Oshkosh area to meet the growing demand of students and employers there.



YOU made the difference! Now more people are turning to Fox Valley Technical College for education, training, and opportunities: students graduating from high school, veterans who are coming home, men and women of all ages wanting to earn their high school credential, people changing careers, individuals needing new job skills, businesses and manufacturers requiring leading-edge training for their employees. Because of YOU, FVTC is serving more people and meeting more needs.



2012-2013 Highlights

Scholarships 1,038 scholarships \$663,953 in assistance Over \$7.6 million since our inception in 1979

2012 Golf Outings \$101,745 for student scholarships FVTC Staff & Leadership Campaign \$138,926

Cost to Fundraise 0.89% Less than one cent of every dollar raised

Gifts & Contributions \$2,014,599

FVTC Program Support \$2,428,806 Almost \$27 million since 1990



We hope you appreciate this condensed annual report. For the expanded version, listing of benefactors and friends, and to give to our community scholarship campaign, everyONEhelpsONE, visit us online at www.fvtc.edu/givingthatworks.

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Where Are They Now?

Inspiring Stories from FVTC Scholarship Recipients

Rich Conrad

At age 43, Rich Conrad was laid off. As a single parent with two children, he realized it was time to seek a new career path. Today, Rich is proud to report that he received his technical diploma in Airframe and Powerplant Mechanics and is working toward his associate degree in Aeronautics-Pilot Training. He is employed in Chilton as an airframe and powerplant mechanic. Rich feels fortunate to have found a specialized program that led to employment.

Rich was the recipient of a **Chilton Regional Center Scholarship**. "The scholarship helped me afford travel back and forth each day. As a working single parent, it was a great help. I was able to take some classes in Chilton and then traveled to Oshkosh for my program classes," says Rich. "My future goals are to complete the associate degree, acquire my commercial pilot's license and pursue additional training in agriculture to include aerial crop duster application and agronomy."



Rich Conrad



Kierran Phillips (left)

Kierran Phillips

As a mother of four, Kierran Phillips knew she would need a career to supplement her spouse's income and pursue her dream. Kierran chose to enroll part-time in FVTC's associate degree Nursing program. "I was so impressed with the reputation of the program and I wanted hands-on experience," said Kierran.

Kierran was awarded an **FVTC Staff Giving Scholarship** (provided by employees of the college) and was also a **Salmon Scholarship** recipient. "I remember the first time I heard that I received a scholarship; I couldn't believe it. I knew then that I could work hard and finish!"

Kierran currently works for Agnesian Heath Care as a quality data specialist and lead registered nurse for women and infants. She is also pursuing a master's degree in nursing education. When asked if she has any further career goals, Kierran stated, "Once I finish my master's degree, I hope to teach at FVTC in the Nursing program. I want to give back!"

Larissa Salmon

Larissa Salmon originally enrolled in a four-year university, but when she received her first tuition bill, she decided to look into other options. She researched programs at Fox Valley Technical College and found the associate degree in Printing and Publishing. Larissa graduated in 2009 and says, "It was the right career choice for me. My degree landed me a job that makes me feel accomplished; and I didn't have to get over my head in debt to get there."

Larissa's family was not in a position to financially support her education. She commented, "I worked all through school, but it is tough to manage both. Scholarships helped alleviate some of the financial burden I faced. As a result, I have significantly smaller student loans to pay back, which makes life after college a lot less stressful." Larissa currently works for Bemis Graphics in New London as a graphic technician III.



Larissa Salmon



FVTC Foundation Mission

At Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, Inc., our mission is to be the college's partner in securing and providing various resources to promote lifelong learning and workforce development throughout the communities we serve.