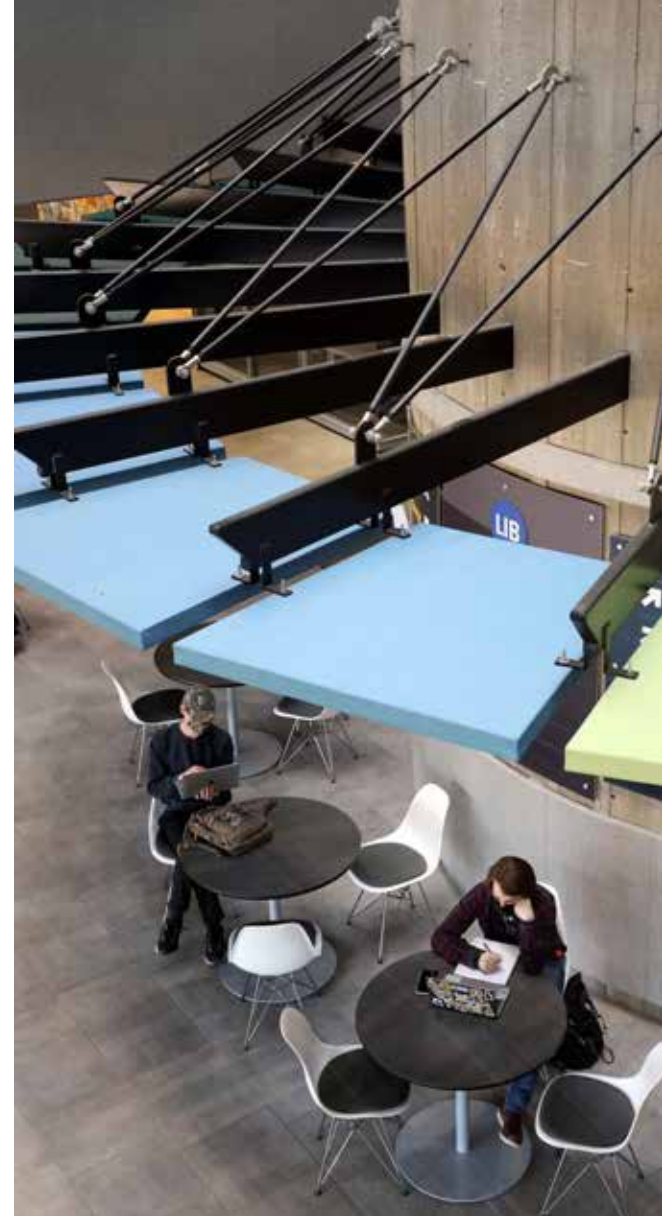
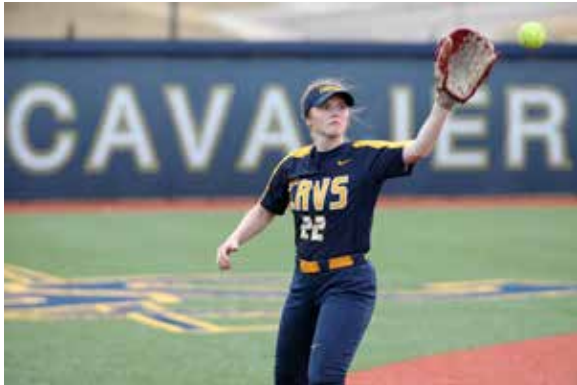




*Coming Together as a Community
to Support JCCC Students*

2022 Annual Impact Report





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Message from JCCC Foundation Executive Director

I am thrilled to have joined the team at JCCC Foundation July 1 and look forward to helping our organization reach new heights. As the new Executive Director, I will always focus on how the Foundation can support JCCC students, programs, and the priorities of the College. JCCC is such a unique establishment. Our ability to engage the community in so many ways allows the JCCC Foundation to be creative in helping donors navigate their biggest impact.

This was a year of changes for JCCC Foundation. We are excited to roll-out an updated logo to help the organization better identify as a separate 501(c)(3) and we have worked to enhance our social and web presence to engage the community and donors more effectively.

JCCC Foundation continues to lead the way on raising private funds to support students and programs across campus. We are committed to bringing the **community and the college together** to help support our students and this year we did just that!

In 2022, nearly \$1.4 million was provided to students for scholarships and direct student assistance including:

- ★ Merit and financial need tuition and textbook scholarships
- ★ Student emergency assistance funds
- ★ Melissa Wells Counseling Center Hardship Grant
- ★ Cavalier MealSHARE program
- ★ International and Immigrant Student Services scholarships
- ★ Veteran and military-affiliated scholarships

The Foundation also raised funds to support programs and partnerships across the college. Most notable this year was a partnership with JCCC Workforce Development & Continuing Education to raise private funds to support a new commercial driver's license facility. The Foundation is grateful to the **Sunderland Foundation** for donating \$2 million to help complete that priority project.

Financial assistance from the JCCC Foundation has a tremendous impact on fulfilling dreams of our current students. I look forward to working with you to continue to help build the local workforce and make dreams of a successful future come true.

This book highlights JCCC Foundation fiscal year financial results, recognizes 2022 JCCC Foundation major donors and recaps the annual scholarship campaign and its black-tie gala, Some Enchanted Evening. We feature some of those students impacted by your generosity. We also recognize community leader and mentor Steve Wilkinson, former Chief Executive Officer of Menorah Medical Center, as 2022 Johnson Countian of the Year.

I welcome you to reach out if you are interested in learning more about JCCC Foundation and ways you can get involved in our mission. We very much appreciate your support for our Community College.

Best Regards,

Joy Ginsburg



Message from JCCC President

Since relocating to Johnson County in 2020, my wife, Ruth, and I have felt the passion and generosity of this community.

The Some Enchanted Evening gala experience last fall was a true testament to that. Gathering with many of you—our dedicated JCCC supporters of student success—was inspiring, as was recognition of Steve Wilkinson, 2022 Johnson Countian of the Year, who embodies the goodwill and hard work entrenched in this community.

Community is what makes our College strong. Community helps JCCC foster a sense of belonging and empower our students to build relationships and form lifelong connections. Your support helps students reimagine their places in the world and can inspire them to become future leaders in our community.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our students.

Andy Bowne, EdD

JCCC Foundation 2021-2022 Year in Review

July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022

Total Revenue: **\$2,305,977***

Total Assets: **\$41,102,883**

Total Endowment: **\$27,436,687**



**From Operations (Contributions, Events, Other)
Does not include investment income gain/loss*

Through philanthropic partnerships with generous donors, the JCCC Foundation supports scholarships and student basic needs, academic and educational programs, and cultural arts at the College. This year's highlights include:

New Scholarships

During the 2021-2022 fiscal year, donors established 16 new scholarships for JCCC students. These include:

- ★ A Johnson County couple who believe in the value of education established the **Karen and Stephen Clegg Scholarship** in their name to support students in JCCC Industrial Technology certificate programs, including Construction Management, Electrical Technology, Electronics Technology, HVAC, Plumbing, Automation Engineer Technology, and Welding/Metal Fabrication.
- ★ The legacy of Dennis Moore, former U.S. Representative for Kansas 3rd District and former member of JCCC Board of Trustees, lives on through the newly established **Dennis and Stephene Moore Scholarship**. Matching Dennis' passion, demonstration of leadership and community service are among the criteria listed for the new award.
- ★ For the next five years, students seeking a degree or certificate in Electronics Technology, Electrical Technology, Automation Engineer Technology, Engineering, Computer Programming or Software Development benefit from a new scholarship. With a sizable gift from the Kao Foundation, the JCCC Foundation created the **Garmin Technology Scholarship**.

Student Experiences

The JCCC Department of Fine Art, Photo & Film and the JCCC Art History Department joined forces to lead a **student study of art and culture tour of New York City** at the end of the spring semester. The trip gave JCCC students the opportunity to see, some for the first time, major works of art and culture that they have studied in slide form. The JCCC Foundation supported the trip with fundraising efforts including a crowdfunding campaign.

Source: JCCC Foundation Treasurer's Report Executive Summary June 30, 2022
JCCC Foundation Audited Financial Statements June 30, 2022

Events

Fall of 2021 featured a virtual celebration of the annual Some Enchanted Evening campaign. The Foundation recognized **Clay Blair** as the **2021 Johnson Countian of the Year**. Thank you to the more than **425 donors** who supported scholarships and student basic needs programs to the tune of **more than \$1.3 million** in 2021.

The Cohen Community Series concert, which annually raises money for student scholarships and program support, returned after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. **Scotty McCreery**, one of country music's most popular artists with a strong catalog of fan favorites, performed at JCCC on April 30.

JCCC welcomed the community back to our table for the **Harvest Dinner** in August. The **annual farm-to-table event** raises money for Sustainable Agriculture scholarships and features three courses using harvest-ready produce from JCCC's Open Petal Farm and other nearby producers.

Performing and Visual Arts

Brad and Libby Bergman, longtime supporters of our College, provided a **\$1 million donation** to establish an ongoing **endowment to support JCCC performing arts**. The funds also **provide scholarships for students studying creative arts** at JCCC. As a feature of the donation, **Midwest Trust Center** became the new name of the venue for performing arts. Midwest Trust Company is a local business founded by Brad Bergman.

Our campus is home to a new permanent installation of five 30-foot-tall, colorfully finished totems called **Spirit Totems**. These works of art are one of the largest outdoor sculptural displays in the Kansas City region.

The artist, Doug Coffin, is an American Indian who was born and raised in Kansas. The Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art acquired Spirit Totems with the generous support of local community members and longtime art patrons **Ron and Phyllis Nolan**.

Legacy Gifts Increase Impact

JCCC Foundation worked with generous donors to complete new **legacy gift intent agreements**. These JCCC supporters join other individuals who are part of our **Society for Excellence**. This group recognizes those who have made planned gifts to JCCC or made us aware of their intentions to include JCCC in their estate plans.

Supporting Students When They Need It Most

In the 2021-2022 academic year, the JCCC Foundation provided nearly **\$1.4 MILLION** to JCCC students through Foundation scholarships and other direct student assistance.

Nearly **1,400 STUDENTS** benefited from donor-funded JCCC Foundation scholarships and basic needs programs.



DONATE | JOIN | PURCHASE

While celebrating our successes, we remain mindful that needs continue to outpace our awards. Your continued support and the support of those who join you will help the Foundation close this gap to benefit even more students. Consider renewing or increasing your donation, joining one of the gift societies or purchasing tickets to a performance, event or exhibition. Thank you! **Learn more at jccc.edu/Foundation.**

Thank You 2022 JCCC Foundation Donors

\$1,000+ annual cumulative giving

\$1,000,000+

The Sunderland Foundation*

\$100,000+

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\$15,000+

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2022 JCCC Foundation Donors continued

\$1,000+

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Message from President of the JCCC Foundation Board of Directors

Thank you for joining our mission to provide access to the College for ALL students.

At the Some Enchanted Evening Gala in November, we celebrated our achievements, and we do so again in this year-end book. I extend a heartfelt thank you to my friends Tracey Osborne Oltjen and Tom Oltjen for bringing back the gala—LIVE and IN-PERSON—after a two-year pause due to pandemic restrictions. I also express my appreciation to the JCCC students who helped us at the gala—photography, hospitality and culinary, and floral design. We were so proud of their talent and skills, and the part JCCC plays in training our future workforce.

More importantly, though, we look to the future at this time. How can we:

- * Continue to fill the gaps our students face?
- * Engage the community and businesses in the important work of the College?
- * Support JCCC so that it continues to be an innovative and impactful educational resource?

Together, we can answer those questions. We need our entire community to help us support students where they need it the most.

I am proud to be a part of an amazing group of community leaders on the JCCC Foundation Board of Directors.

Marshaun Butler



Some Enchanted ... Evening

Excitement Happens When the Stars Align

Each year, JCCC students arrive on campus full of hope tied to the possibilities that come with a college education. **Dreams, some dating back to childhood, are within reach** thanks to your support of scholarships and student basic needs programs.

Your support encourages our students. Your belief in them keeps them focused and determined. Good things happen when your passions align with student needs.

Some Enchanted Evening is JCCC Foundation's largest annual fundraising campaign. The gala in the fall connects generous community members like you with aspiring and inspirational JCCC students. Tracey Osborne Oltjen and Tom Oltjen served as co-chairs of the 2022 Some Enchanted Evening campaign. A committee of stellar community volunteers supported those efforts.

Our campaign focused on key elements—RECOGNITION, INSPIRATION and PARTICIPATION/CELEBRATION—that serve as mainstays each year and fuel our efforts to open doors to possibilities for our students. Student stories in this section demonstrate the impact of your participation is life-changing, far-reaching and priceless.

You help JCCC student wish, dream and do!

Leadership

**Special thanks to our
2022 Some Enchanted Evening
campaign committee:**

2022 Committee Co-chairs

Tracey Osborne Oltjen
Tom Oltjen



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Recognition

2022 Johnson Countian of the Year **Steven D. Wilkinson**

It was wonderful to honor our 2022 Johnson Countian of the Year, Steve Wilkinson, at the annual celebration gala. Steve joins a long list of individuals who have made an enormous impact in our community. Steve has always had a drive to serve others in ways that positively impact their lives.

For more than 30 years, Steve led hospitals and healthcare organizations across the state of Kansas. He is most widely known for his more than 18-year tenure as CEO of Menorah Medical Center. He was able to lead that organization through expansions and helped the hospital become a nationally ranked medical facility. He continued his work in healthcare by expanding his role and joining the Health Midwest team where he was responsible for the leadership and direction of Menorah Medical Center and Overland Park Regional Medical Center.

We are very proud of the leadership Steve provided to the JCCC Foundation in committee assignments and leadership roles. Serving as President of the Foundation from 2011 to 2013, his guidance and leadership helped make the organization what it is today.

“Steve’s strong desire to help others is the epitome of JCCC’s mission of inspiring learning to transform lives and strengthen communities,” said Marshaun Butler, President of the JCCC Foundation. “His compassionate concern for others and his involvement in community causes make him the perfect honoree as Johnson Countian of the Year.”



Past Johnson Countyans of the Year

We proudly honor those who have made significant contributions to the Johnson County Community



Rev. Robert H. Meneilly—1987

As founding pastor of the Village Presbyterian Church, Dr. Meneilly witnessed its development into one of the largest Presbyterian congregations

in America. During his vigorous half-century of service, Dr. Meneilly and his congregation became renowned throughout the nation for their charitable works, prompt response to societal needs, strong humanitarian stands and steadfast support of education in Johnson County.



Ben Craig—1988

President of Metcalf State Bank for more than 30 years, Ben Craig helped Overland Park grow from a small town to a dynamic city by serving on virtually

every planning committee and working countless hours for nearly every civic and social welfare organization. Craig was the first president of the JCCC Foundation and was instrumental in the passage of the original \$12.9 million bond issue to establish the College.



Paul H. Henson—1989

Through his leadership of United Telecom/U.S. Sprint, Paul Henson helped create one of the largest employers in the Greater Kansas City area.

Henson contributed countless hours and funds to such organizations as the Kansas City Symphony, Nelson-Atkins Museum, Heart of America United Way, Kansas City Art Institute and the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.



John H. (Jack) Robinson—1990

Under Jack Robinson's tenure as president and managing partner of Black & Veatch, the company grew to become one of Kansas City's largest

and most successful companies, achieving worldwide prominence. Robinson exemplified civic leadership as he served as one of the original members of JCCC's Board of Trustees and also worked long hours for the Heart of America Boy Scouts, United Way, Saint Luke's Hospital and Midwest Research Institute.



Stan and Shirley Rose—1991

Stan and Shirley Rose grew Sun Publications from a newspaper published in their basement in 1950 to a Johnson County institution that

was a leader in the uniquely positive, can-do spirit that has profoundly influenced the development of Johnson County. The Roses devoted countless hours to civic and charitable activities throughout Johnson County including major roles in establishing two successful fundraising events—the American Cancer Society Gala and JCCC's Some Enchanted Evening.



James P. Sunderland—1992

As president and chairman of Ash Grove Cement Company, one of the nation's leading manufacturers of cement products, Jim Sunderland oversaw an unprecedented

expansion of the business. He served as a director or trustee of many organizations, such as the Chamber City, the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation and Midwest Research Institute. He also was officer and trustee of the Lester T. Sunderland Foundation to support education, the arts, social welfare and health throughout the Midwest.



SuEllen Fried—1993

One of the best-loved volunteers in the Kansas City area, SuEllen Fried exemplifies the power of volunteerism and personal commitment in changing people's lives

for the better. Fried has a long and distinguished career in advocating for mental health patients, prison inmates and victims of child abuse. She founded or presided over the Johnson County Mental Health Association, Kansas Mental Health Association, Kansas Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse, and Metropolitan Kansas City STOP Violence Coalition. In 1992, Fried was named President George Bush's 900th Point of Light.



Adele Hall—1994

Through her tireless advocacy for the area's youth, Adele Hall demonstrated how personal commitment to society's children will enrich the future for us all.

During her life as a community volunteer and activist, she chaired the Partnership for Children and served as leader for the United Negro College Fund, Salvation Army, Menninger Foundation, the Shawnee Mission Education Foundation, Children's Mercy Hospital, Youth Volunteer Corps of America, Rose Brooks Center and United Community Services.



William H. Dunn Sr.—1995

As chairman of JE Dunn Construction Company, William H. Dunn Sr. built his family's business into one of the largest commercial construction companies

in the nation. As a community leader he served on the boards of numerous charitable organizations, including the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, Midwest Research Institute, the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and the Heart of America United Way.



Charles J. Carlsen—1998

Under Charles Carlsen's leadership, JCCC was first recognized as one of the nation's most respected two-year schools. Carlsen served as JCCC's president from 1981

to 2006. During that time, the College's enrollment nearly tripled, seven new buildings were constructed, and new programs were developed to meet the changing needs of the county. He and his wife, Linda, have provided dynamic leadership for numerous charitable causes, chambers of commerce, hospital boards and community services.



Drue Jennings—2001

A longtime resident of Johnson County, Drue Jennings has always been an active member of our community. His leadership has benefited numerous organizations,

including the Community Foundation of Johnson County, the Kansas University Endowment Association and the University of Kansas Edwards Campus. His contributions to such civic programs as Junior Achievement of Middle America, Heart of America United Way and Kansas City's Harmony in a World of Difference program have helped build a stronger community.



Richard L. Bond—1996

Representing the 8th senatorial district in Johnson County for 14 years and serving in Congress for 25 years as an administrative assistant to three different

members of Congress, former Senator Dick Bond was one of the county's strongest and most vocal advocates for education. He enthusiastically served in leadership positions with many civic and charitable organizations and characterized outstanding stewardship in his community.



Steve Rose—1999

As editor and chairman of former Sun Publications, Steve Rose was a voice of progress for Johnson County. The Kansas City metropolitan community

has benefited from his leadership and involvement with numerous organizations on both sides of the state line, but he may be most recognized for his commitment as co-chairman of the successful and historic bi-state effort to restore Union Station and create Science City.



Mary Birch—2002

Serving as president of the Overland Park Chamber from 1978 through 2002, Mary Birch demonstrated her passion for excellence in education

at all levels, identified and motivated leadership in the community, and contributed tremendously to the economic development of Johnson County. Besides the Chamber, her service includes many community groups, such as Safehome, Johnson County Health Partnership and the Community Foundation of Johnson County.



George and Floriene Lieberman—1997

The Liebermans made a significant difference in the lives of countless people in the community. Floriene,

who has received numerous honors for her work in the fight against cancer, and George, active in real estate and humanitarian organizations for more than 40 years, proved to be tireless leaders whose commitment to serve has improved our community's quality of life.



Betty Keim—2000

Mayor of Mission Hills from 1993 to 2001 and longtime resident of Johnson County, Betty Keim has served our community as a committed volunteer.

Her leadership and vision have benefited dozens of organizations. Keim has championed the causes of children, seniors, education and healthcare. An active member of the JCCC Foundation, she served as president as well as co-chair of Some Enchanted Evening.



Walter Hiersteiner—2003

Serving Johnson County with infinite energy and dedication, Walter Hiersteiner was a lifelong advocate for education and healthcare. As

volunteer, board member and philanthropist for numerous organizations, he was a role model of values, courage and generosity. The Shawnee Mission School District board of education, the Kansas Board of Regents, University of Kansas Law School, Menorah Medical Center, Truman Medical Center, University of Kansas School of Allied Health, UMKC School of Medicine and JCCC all benefited from his commitment to our community.



Robert Regnier—2004

Recognized for his support of education, Bob Regnier has been a member and president of the Blue Valley School District board, the Blue Valley Educational

Foundation, the University of Kansas' Edwards Campus Board of Advisors, University of Missouri-Kansas City banking advisory panel, and the JCCC Foundation Board and its Executive Committee. He epitomizes the unparalleled volunteer leadership that occurs in Johnson County, yet his civic involvement is not limited to education. Regnier serves on boards and committees of nearly 20 organizations in the social services, hospitals and business fields.



Richard G. and Barbara Shull—2007

Recognized for their volunteerism and generous support of many organizations in Johnson County, Dick and Barbara

Shull have worked as a team throughout their lives and both are truly representative of the honor of Johnson Countians of the Year. Serving as volunteers, board members and contributors to many organizations, including Shawnee Mission Medical Center and Johnson County Community College, they have shared their tremendous leadership abilities as well as time and resources to make the College and our community a better place.



David Wysong—2010

Serving in the Kansas State Senate from 2005-2009, David Wysong was elected to the City Council of Mission Hills in 1996 and later to the Board of

County Commissioners of Johnson County, for which he became chairman in 1998. Wysong has used his leadership skills, time and resources to support his interest in education, journalism and the culinary arts. He has achieved so much for this community, positively affecting education, the arts, business and public services.



Ed Eilert—2005

Serving Overland Park as mayor from 1981 to 2005 and recently retired as chairman of the Johnson County Commissioners, Ed Eilert played a

key role in projects that helped shape Johnson County. Construction of Sprint's headquarters, the University of Kansas Edwards Campus and the BNSF Railway training facility as well as the Overland Park Convention Center and the Corporate Woods office park all came to fruition under his watch. Eilert's legacy of service, his pursuit of excellence and his compassionate style of leadership helped make Johnson County the community it is today.



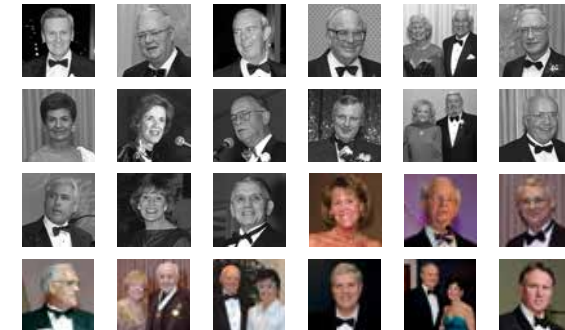
Fred Logan—2008

Regarded as one of the most passionate community leaders in Johnson County, Fred Logan's unwavering support of education changed this community for the

better. A former member and chairman of the JCCC Board of Trustees, Logan also served as co-chairman of the Shawnee Mission School District Committee for Excellence, on the University of Kansas Edwards Campus Advisory Board, and on the Kansas Board of Regents. Future generations will benefit from the positive impact of his contributions.

25th Anniversary—2011

(all past Johnson Countians of the Year recognized)



Norman and Elaine Polsky—2006

Renowned for their philanthropy, which included gifts of both time and money, Norman and Elaine Polsky shared a lifetime of involvement as tireless advocates for

the arts, education, human services and entrepreneurship. Their vast list of honors, awards and achievements is both admirable and inspiring. In 1999, they launched the Polsky Practical Personal Enrichment Seminar on subjects such as insurance, health and investing. The series, held in the Polsky Theatre, is permanently endowed by the Norman and Elaine Polsky Family Supporting Foundation within the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation in partnership with JCCC.



Terry and Peggy Dunn—2009

Twin pillars of our community, Terry and Peggy Dunn have left a permanent imprint on the quality of life in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Both

influence the growth and development of our community, and many civic and charitable causes benefit from their leadership and philanthropy. Peggy is mayor of Leawood, Kansas, and Terry served as president and chief executive officer of JE Dunn Construction Group, Inc.



Audrey Langworthy—2012

Audrey Langworthy enjoys being involved and making a difference. The former Shawnee Mission School District teacher served in the Kansas

State Senate from 1984 through 2001. From her tenure as Senator, Langworthy is most renowned for her role as chairman of the assessment and taxation committee from 1992 through 2000. Nationally, she served on the board of the Youth Volunteer Corps of America, and she was a crucial member of the National Board of Governors of the American Red Cross when the HIV (AIDS) crisis made it necessary to reorganize the nation's blood centers.



Lynn Mitchelson—2013

Lynn Mitchelson served on JCCC's Board of Trustees from 1996 to 2011, serving as treasurer, vice chair and chair, and as an executive board member of the Kansas

Association of Community College Trustees. In the community, Mitchelson has served as a director of the Johnson County Education Research Triangle Authority, a community adviser of the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, chairman of the Learning Exchange, member of the executive committee of the K-10 SmartCorridor, chairman of the Kansas State Affairs Committee of the Greater K.C. Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce.



Dr. Gary Morsch—2014

Trained as a physician, Dr. Gary Morsch spent 21 years in the United States Army and Army Reserve, retiring with the rank of colonel. His commitment to volunteerism

and passion to serve led him to found Heart to Heart International in Johnson County, a nonprofit humanitarian medical aid, training and disaster relief non-governmental organization (NGO) that is committed to connecting people and resources to a world in need. He continues to practice family and emergency medicine through Docs Who Care, a medical staffing company he founded in 1993 to serve rural clinics and hospitals throughout the Midwest.



Mary Davidson Cohen—2015

A leader in education and a longtime community volunteer, Dr. Mary Davidson Cohen was appointed by U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige in 2002 as the

secretary's regional representative (SRR) for Region VII. With headquarters in Kansas City, Region VII includes the states of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. In addition, Cohen served as assistant director of the William T. Kemper Foundation from 1993 to 1997, and she was assistant vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Kansas Regents Center from 1976 to 1992. Numerous organizations benefited from her time as a volunteer.



Adam Hamilton—2016

Adam Hamilton is the founding pastor of The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood. He grew up in Johnson County and went

on to earn a Master of Divinity degree from Southern Methodist University, where he was awarded the B'nai B'rith Award in Social Ethics. Hamilton launched The Church of the Resurrection in 1990 with his wife, LaVon. It has since grown to more than 20,000 members under his leadership. A focal point of Hamilton's leadership has been service to the greater Kansas City community.



Mark Gilman—2017

A resident of Johnson County since 1945, Mark Gilman serves as chairman of the board of Gill Studios, Inc., a printing and promotional products company in

Lenexa. Gilman joined the company in 1962, progressing through the ranks to chairman. He has been an active supporter of the performing arts in Kansas City as well as local community health initiatives and has served on the Foundation Board for Shawnee Mission Health and the JCCC Foundation Board. He has been involved with the Kansas Arts Commission, Kansas City Repertory Theater, Midwest Trust Center and Quality Hill Playhouse.



Drs. David and Mary Zamierowski—2018

David and Mary Zamierowski have dedicated their lives to supporting healthcare and education on many levels.

Thousands of people—from our local neighborhoods to communities around the world—benefit from services and programs they support. Before retirement, the couple operated a plastic surgery practice and David founded the Wound Care Centers of Kansas City and developed several medical patents. Since retirement, though, they embarked on their "real careers," which includes promoting healthcare simulation education and support of those less fortunate.



Frank H. Devocelle—2019

Frank Devocelle, a longtime Olathe resident, retired as President/Chief Executive Officer of Olathe Health System, Inc., in 2018. While at Olathe

Health, Devocelle devoted nearly five decades of visionary leadership and a legacy of service to the local community. In the 1980s, Devocelle and the Olathe Health Board dreamed of an educational building that would provide training facilities for medical professionals. In 2008, Olathe Health collaborated with JCCC to build the Olathe Health Education Center. Devocelle sparked a regional passion for whole-person health.



Essential Workers with ties to JCCC—2020

Superheroes. Guardian angels. Lifesavers. These are some of the names used to describe essential

workers during the pandemic. The JCCC Foundation called them our 2020 Johnson Countians of the Year. Their acts of kindness, bravery, and commitment to service during an unprecedented year made them the obvious and unanimous choice for the 2020 honor.



Clay Blair—2021

As President of Clay Blair Services, LLC (which includes Prime Development Land Company, LLC) and President of the Clay Blair Family Foundation, Blair's dedication

to the Johnson County community and his generosity of supporting students in higher education is incredibly notable. He established the Family Foundation in 1987 and has made significant donations to educational programs throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area. Close to 300 students have benefited from Blair's passion for education since he set up a JCCC Foundation scholarship in 2013.



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Left to right: Scholarship recipients Mary Rowden, Andrew Roseburrough and Carrie Randolph spoke at the gala.

Rapid Climate Change Revealed

Iceland Study Abroad Trip 2022

A one-of-a-kind landscape opened an awe-inspiring window of opportunity and learning adventure to JCCC students who traveled to Iceland in July 2022. The 10-day Study Abroad trip exposed students to radical climate change that's rapidly transforming the Arctic and ways the country is attempting to reverse those trends. **The JCCC Foundation provided a partnership grant for all the students to earn college credit hours in Global and International Studies.**

Powerful Progress

The Earth's processes that constantly unfold in Iceland are dramatic and impressive to witness, but that is just "the tip of the iceberg" of what students learned while there. Noted geologists revere Iceland as one of the most geologically dynamic destinations on our planet. Students traversed a volcanic island that straddles the largest geological feature on Earth, the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, and learned how this divergent plate boundary delivers significant geothermal energy to the Earth's surface. Iceland has wisely implemented innovative technologies to harness that energy. Students also toured a geothermal power plant and now understand and appreciate how this impressive technology helps to mitigate global carbon dioxide emissions.

"National data suggests that only 20% of young Americans believe that the political system of the country is capable of solving real problems like climate change," said Jay Antle, Executive Director of Sustainability. "What we try to do at the Center for Sustainability is show students there is hope. There are ways they can be important contributors to making human civilization more sustainable."

Iceland's famous Ring Road was a hands-down highlight as students explored geological wonders such as volcanoes, waterfalls, glaciers, national parks, and geothermally heated/powered greenhouses while on the road trip of a lifetime. Many of their experiences intersected Norse heritage with modern themes and solidified Iceland as a global leader in sustainability.



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Millennia-old Glaciers Are Melting

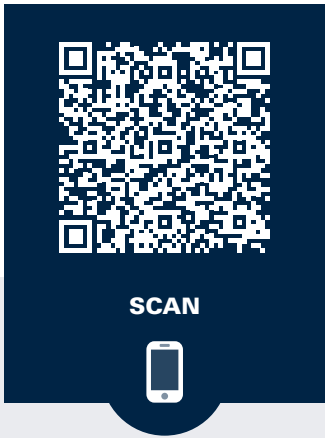
A firsthand look through the eyes of an Icelander showed students how this small and remote nation has become a global leader in sustainability and underscored why Iceland’s intense interest in conservation is important for all of us.

As they toured Iceland’s glaciers, students felt the majesty of ice bodies that have sculpted the island for millennia and witnessed the devastation of the melt. These glacial pillars of the “Land of Fire and Ice” are waning more year after year. Water locked in ice for thousands of years now runs into the Atlantic Ocean at unprecedented rates. Students also took away an observer’s understanding of what’s at stake with the disappearance of glaciers.

Norse Have a Knack

Iceland’s cultural heritage and Norse roots are recognized throughout communities. The ingenuity of the people who have sustained settlements on this rugged, isolated North Atlantic island for thousands of years is astonishing. Students say it was the experience of a lifetime to walk in these pioneers’ footsteps and the insight will raise passion for preserving this irreplaceable piece of our planet—and our corner too, in Johnson County, Kansas.

About the JCCC Center for Sustainability: Since its creation in 2008, the center has been committed to making campus more environmentally, socially and economically responsible. The center’s dedication to the environment inspires the JCCC community to make sustainable practices a priority. In addition, JCCC’s Center for Sustainability gives students a sense of hope for their futures by providing positive activities and initiatives to address and manage the ever-changing climate.



Scan the code or visit jccc.exposure.co/land-of-fire-and-ice to see more of the photo story by JCCC Marketing Photographer Susan McSpadden



Students in the Chef Apprentices program practice their skills



MelShonn Canada, Chef Apprenticeship

Hector Boiardi Scholarship

Championing Dreams

MelShonn Canada’s love of cooking has grown from a passion into a fulfilling future career. Growing up, she savored preparing delicious meals with her family. Now those happy times spent in the kitchen are driving her career goals.

She dreams of owning a diner in the heart of Kansas City one day and traveling the world as a private chef. Thanks to JCCC’s Chef Apprenticeship program and her scholarship funded by JCCC Foundation supporters, her degree and her dreams are within reach.

“ This scholarship has impacted me tremendously, not just financially, but also mentally. It’s allowed me to continue my education without worrying about how to pay for school. Thank you for your generosity. It doesn’t go unnoticed. ”

– MelShonn Canada

As part of her curriculum, MelShonn gained experience through a two-year apprenticeship at the Carriage Club in Kansas City, Missouri. Under the guidance of Executive Head Chef Rafael Cambron and Sous Chef Michael Iammarino, both JCCC program graduates, she learned how to perform tasks in a professional kitchen setting. That training has shaped the chef she has become.

Her skills were tested last summer when she competed at the American Culinary Federation’s National Convention in Las Vegas. “I wanted to give the judges a taste of my passion through my cooking,” she said. “It was overwhelming at times, but I kept pushing because I was representing JCCC, myself and my family.”

**JCCC was well-represented that night—
MelShonn won third place!**

On track to graduate in May 2023, MelShonn has built a strong foundation and prepared for future success through the Chef Apprenticeship program. She’s grateful for all the opportunities JCCC has provided.

BreeAna Allen, Liberal Arts*Ben and Evadean Craig Scholarship***A Family Tradition**

For BreeAna Allen, being a Cavalier runs in the family. She fondly recalls her childhood days when she accompanied her mother, who also attended JCCC, to campus. Those experiences made a favorable and lasting impression.

“I remember walking the halls as a little girl when my mom was getting her associate degree in Business,” she said.

“ I’m so grateful for this opportunity. As a single mom, I didn’t know how I was going to juggle school and work. Shortly after school began, my work hours went from full time to just eight hours a week. I no longer had the income, but I was able to continue my college education because of this scholarship. ”

– BreeAna Allen

When the time came for BreeAna to decide where to attend college, JCCC felt like home. She’s happy with her choice and says her experience has been nothing short of “amazing.”

Now in her second year, BreeAna’s working toward an associate degree in Liberal Arts and plans to transfer to the University of Kansas. She aspires to become a naturopathic doctor to practice medicine with a focus on holistic wellness and disease prevention. Receiving the Ben and Evadean Craig Scholarship has been a life-changer.

A student tries on graduation regalia at the JCCC Bookstore Grad Fair

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Students in Chemistry Lab learn with hands-on experiments

Alyson Fry, General Sciences JCCC Foundation Scholarship

Unlocking Potential

Alyson Fry wasn't sure what to expect. She had been out of school for nine years when she decided to go back to college. Guess what? She earned straight A's and was nominated for the Honors Program.

Alyson hopes her story encourages others to return to school. She firmly believes the personalized instruction she received at JCCC contributed to her success.

"The smaller class sizes allow professors to get to know their students and build a relationship filled with encouragement and individual attention," she said. "I've been blown away with how dedicated and caring all of my professors have been."

“ This scholarship will help me achieve my career goals by allowing me to put my studies first. I plan to pay it forward by encouraging others to return to school, no matter how long it's been. ”

— Alyson Fry

Comradery has made her even more determined to achieve her goal of being admitted to JCCC's Dental Hygiene program. She enjoys knowing other motivated students who support and encourage each other when they meet in the CoLab and Academic Resource Center.

Receiving a JCCC Foundation scholarship has changed Alyson's life in a profound way. She is married with an 8-year-old son, and the scholarship has enabled her to quit her job and focus on her education and her family's future.

Jessica McKay, Business Administration

JCCC Foundation scholarship

Securing a Bright Future

Jessica McKay, a proud mother of four, describes herself as a “nontraditional learner.” After taking a 20-year hiatus from college, she decided to return and fulfill a lifelong dream.

“Going back to school was a bit intimidating, and I didn’t know what to expect,” she said. But with all the helpful people and resources at JCCC, she has found her stride.

Jessica is working toward an associate degree in Business Administration, with plans to study cybersecurity and organizational leadership. Concerned about how to pay for her education, she reached out to JCCC’s Financial Aid Office and was encouraged to apply for scholarships funded by JCCC Foundation.

She experienced financial relief, as well as peace of mind, when she found out about her scholarship award. “It has changed my life because I won’t have to take on more student loan debt. It’s taken the stress away, knowing there’s less I will owe upon graduating,” she said.

Grateful for the opportunity she’s been given, Jessica has plans to “pay it forward.” She will choose a child with a single parent in her community and provide school clothes, supplies and ongoing support throughout the year.

“ This scholarship is helping me achieve my goal of becoming a college graduate. It will enable me to provide a better life and a more secure future for my family. Receiving it means others recognize my hard work, which motivates me to keep going, even when things get hard. ”

– Jessica McKay



Kirk Foundation

Regnier Family Foundations

Jessika Duggins, Early Childhood Education

Susan Duggins, Marketing Management

Heart of America Patriot Foundation Dependents' Educational Assistance Program Scholarship

Service Runs in the Family

A dynamic mother-daughter duo decided together that degrees were pivotal for their future.

After 20 years in social work, military veteran Susan Duggins was ready for a career change. Wanting to start her own business, she researched Marketing Management programs and learned JCCC's was top-notch.

Her daughter, Jessika Duggins, was interested in the College's Early Childhood Education program. She hopes to someday help children overcome speech challenges like she experienced as a child.

"Receiving this scholarship has given me an opportunity to grow as a person, focus on my education and fulfill a dream," Susan said.

When Jessika discovered the Veteran and Military Student Resource Center, she introduced her mom to the staff. They were invited to events with open arms, and the warm welcome made them feel connected to JCCC.

Jessika commutes from Lawrence and appreciates having a friendly home base on campus. "I use the study area and many of the resources there. JCCC really is my home away from home," she said.

“ I’m a first-time college student but have been out of school for seven years. Receiving this scholarship is helping me build confidence. I know I can complete my degree program and achieve so much more. I cannot describe in words how grateful I am. ”

– Jessika Duggins

“ As a veteran with a husband who was active duty for 31 years, it’s an honor to receive the Heart of America Patriot Foundation scholarship. It’s helping me to achieve a longtime goal of becoming an entrepreneur. Having a scholarship that represents what we have done for our country makes me even more determined to succeed. ”

– Susan Duggins

Steve and Wanda Wilkinson



Students gather at Campus Craze to enjoy activities and events at the end of the semester





A Cosmetology student practices techniques for facial treatment

Rosetta Dorsey, Business Administration

Adam and LaVon Hamilton Scholarship

Get Moving!

Rosetta Dorsey is excited to get her dream job—and her dream business—rolling. After graduation, she plans to open a mobile holistic esthetician business.

She has completed more than two-thirds of her degree program in Business Administration while earning an impressive 3.91 GPA at JCCC. As a single mom of three children, she is showing them that anything is possible with hard work and determination.

“I want to teach them to never give up on their dreams and aspirations,” she said.

Rosetta has always had a passion for serving others and giving back to her community. In addition to her degree program, she is working on becoming certified to practice Reiki, a form of energy healing and stress reduction through gentle touch. Along with her certifications in cosmetology and esthetics, it will enable her to offer a wide array of services to her clients.

“ I’m grateful for this scholarship, which has allowed me to continue with my education. I take it very seriously and will make sure I keep my grades up. Thank you providing the opportunity to achieve my goal and set a good example for my children. ”

– Rosetta Dorsey



***Dick and Barbara
Shull***

***Charlie and Angie
Sunderland***

**Adam and LaVon
Hamilton**



Nursing students practice CPR techniques in the Healthcare Simulation Center



Alaina Robinson, Practical Nursing
Olathe Health System Scholarship

Certified Success

Alaina Robinson has spent nearly 30 years tending to patients with care and compassion as a Certified Nursing Assistant.

It was a role she loved, and she found herself wanting to take on more challenges and responsibilities. Alaina knew it would mean returning to school, and despite a hectic schedule and four children to look after, she was ready for the challenge.

"I wanted to prove to myself and my family that I can do this," she said. "I'm glad I did because I have met a wonderful family in JCCC's PN program."

Through a JCCC Foundation-supported scholarship, Alaina's decades-long dream is now achievable. She can go after her goals at a school she loves without sacrificing time with her family.

“ I'm just so glad I can go on this journey and get my LPN. I love this school, the atmosphere and the people. It's a great experience being here. ”

— Alaina Robinson

Dana and Nancy Reel

Brittany Barcenas, Accounting*Hispanic Scholarship***Support Adds Up**

Brittany Barcenas recognizes the positive impact educators have had on her life. Her high school accounting teacher introduced her to accounting and inspired her to pursue a career in numbers.

Now a Cavalier, the support and guidance from Brittany's professors has been the highlight of her time at JCCC.

"The professors demonstrate that they care," she said. "They assist me in looking for career opportunities, help me stay on track and advise me on which path to take for my future."

This JCCC Foundation-supported scholarship lets Brittany focus on her schoolwork and pursue her eventual dream of starting her own accounting firm.

“ This scholarship has allowed me to complete my education within a reasonable time frame. It also reminds me that there are people who believe in me and the degree I'm pursuing. ”

— Brittany Barcenas



Students pose for a photo booth set up by Student Activities



John Alholm



Sue Bond
(in memory of
Dick Bond)

Bailey Boyd, Elementary Education

H. Ivan & Sylvia G. Lytle Scholarship

Teaching That Impacts the Future

When the pandemic hit, Bailey Boyd saw a need she knew her skill set could fill. She began offering tutoring services, using a “pay what you can” model that considered coronavirus circumstances.

“Many families were unable to afford tutoring sessions for their children, so I was offered a lot of home-cooked meals,” she said. “I loved the experience.”

While Bailey was thrilled to assist low-income families during uncertain times, it left her unable to afford her semester’s tuition. With assistance from the JCCC Foundation scholarship, Bailey can continue to offer tutoring services, focus on her classes and move toward her goal of earning a master’s degree in special needs education.

“My professors have taught me that being a teacher is more than teaching,” she said. “It’s about learning and accepting your students as they are and encouraging growth in every way.”

Through her experiences inside and outside the classroom, Bailey is excited to enter the education field and give back to her community.

“ This scholarship means everything to me. It’s nice knowing my school has my back when I need assistance. The education I have gained through JCCC will positively impact my future. ”

– Bailey Boyd



Students at Antioch Elementary participate in an Arts Education program

Christopher Perry, Automotive Technology*Ronald D. Deffenbaugh Foundation Scholarship***A Drive to Succeed**

Christopher “Chris” Perry found his return to civilian life challenging after eight years in the Marine Corps.

Experiencing homelessness, he was unsure of his next steps until a volunteer at Veterans Community Project told him about a school that would change his life. That school was JCCC.

He connected with JCCC’s Veteran and Military Student Resource Center. The comprehensive resources and care from friendly faces convinced him enrolling at JCCC was the right choice. Soon, he was a student in the Automotive Technology program after more than a decade outside the classroom.

“Veterans Services has been absolutely phenomenal since day one,” he said. “With their support, I have never felt lost or alone during my journey at JCCC. I was so apprehensive about starting school, but JCCC counselors and Veteran Services have propelled me forward.”

Chris felt a strong sense of support from the JCCC community. In addition to providing much needed financial relief, the Ronald D. Deffenbaugh Foundation scholarship managed by JCCC Foundation continues to motivate him to succeed personally and academically.

“ This scholarship gave me confidence about my future here. I never would have dreamed I would enjoy attending school as much as I have at JCCC. ”

– Chris Perry



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Mary Rowden, Practical Nursing

Olathe Health System Scholarship

A Community That Cares

In September 2021, Mary Rowden was one month into the Practical Nursing program when her husband unexpectedly passed away. In the midst of her grief, the JCCC community, including Director of Practical Nursing Christina Rudacille, rallied around her.

“Director Rudacille had a heart-to-heart with me,” Mary said. “She supported me in making the right decision to take time for grieving, not only for myself but for my two-year-old son. I felt supported and cared for through the whole year off.”

When Mary decided to return, she knew she’d need help balancing her course load, career and life with her young son. The Olathe Health scholarship supported by the JCCC Foundation has made it possible for her to focus on her schoolwork while giving her toddler extra love and attention.

Excited for her future career, Mary plans to work as a Licensed Practical Nurse until bridging to JCCC’s Registered Nurse program. She is inspired by the passion she sees every day from her professors and cohort of fellow students.



“ JCCC set the bar extremely high. I could not imagine being part of any other nursing program. I hope to be at a hospital, clinic or correctional facility near you soon. ”

– Mary Rowden



*Students in the Automation Engineering program
work in the Robotics Lab*

Aidan Farmer, General Studies

Kansas CTE Scholars Scholarship

Following His Father's Footsteps

Aidan Farmer cites his father as his inspiration for pursuing higher education. When Aidan was born, his dad rolled up his sleeves and committed to earning his college degree, building a legacy Aidan is proud to continue.

Hired by Garmin out of high school to join their Product Support division, Aidan hopes to further advance in the company with his college education. In addition to his career ambitions, his motivation to earn a degree is driven by his strong family ties.

“With my degree, I can provide for my family as they did for me growing up,” he said. “One day, I want to be able to buy my dad his dream car and my mom a large greenhouse for her to grow her plants all year.”

Originally, Aidan hesitated to enroll in college due to the cost. Once he learned that JCCC Foundation offered many scholarship opportunities, a weight was lifted off his shoulders, and he could comfortably go after his educational goals.

“ Receiving this generous scholarship makes getting a college education so much easier, and I won't stop there. ”

— Aidan Farmer

Hugh L. Libby



Fashion students produced a runway show inside the Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art

Daniela Saenz-Quintana, Fashion Merchandising and Marketing

JCCC Sunflower Grant

Fashioning a Future

Daniela Saenz-Quintana spent countless hours making clothes for her Barbie dolls out of socks. That was then; this is now! She loves fashion and has a desire to enter the industry.

Wanting to stay close to home, Daniela began a search for fashion programs and discovered JCCC. It was an immediate fit.

“I’ve found my people,” she said. “This is such an amazing program, and I’m so glad I stumbled upon it.”

Eager to get involved, Daniela also serves as a Cav Leader and is a part of the JCCC organization Latinos United Now and Always. Through the help of the scholarship, Daniela can make the most of her college experience and forge a new path in her family.

“ I’m the first in my family to graduate from high school. My parents are immigrants, and a scholarship was crucial to funding my education. It has allowed me to follow both my dreams and my parents’ dreams. ”

– Daniela Saenz-Quintana



Laura Greb, Practical Nursing*Margaret F. and Maron J. Lorimer Scholarship***Pursuing a Lifelong Dream**

Laura Greb has always wanted to be a nurse. As a teenager, she witnessed the skilled care and compassion from nurses tending to her grandfather following a car accident. It solidified her career path—to provide care for others in their most-needed moments.

Originally studying at the University of Kansas, Laura transferred back home to look after her mom when she became ill. Looking for a way to continue her education while balancing her life outside the classroom, she found JCCC.

Earning the scholarship through JCCC Foundation gives Laura relief as she cares for her mom, her young daughter and herself.

“ The scholarship enabled me to focus on school without worrying how it was going to impact myself or my daughter. It really made this program feasible for me. ”

— Laura Greb

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Andrew Roseburrough, Electrical Technology

Ronald D. Deffenbaugh Foundation Scholarship

Freedom to Focus

Andrew Roseburrough describes his first year at JCCC in one word—incredible.

Having attended Olathe Advanced Technical Center, he knew he had a passion for construction, and he liked to work with his hands. His focus turned to becoming an electrician. Then he discovered a newfound love of JCCC’s Electrical Technology program.

The Deffenbaugh scholarship, managed by JCCC Foundation, is helping him focus on his education. He now has the freedom to put his studies and upcoming career first.

“ It’s my favorite thing ever! It’s everything I have ever wanted—construction AND going to college? It’s my dream come true! ”

— Andrew Roseburrough





Carrie Randolph, Business

Bessie Lee Neal Memorial Scholarship

Rough Road to Restoration

Carrie's route back to college was a curvy one. Some days she felt like she was straddling the white line with a mountainous cliff just inches away.

After leaving an abusive relationship, Carrie found refuge at Safehome in Johnson County. Safehome provided her the services she needed to restart her life, but it was only a temporary fix.

"I found myself with a lot of expenses and a lack of knowledge and resources to protect my safety to get back on my feet," she said.

She overcame homelessness and found a safe place to live. During that challenging journey, many thoughts raced through her head. She realized, "If I could just go back to school ...". Her goal shifted from herself into a plan to learn how to support people who have landed in similar situations.

"I could be THEIR advocate and I could make an impact on THEIR lives," she said. "I would love to pay it forward."



“ JCCC has been my lifeline. It has given me motivation and hope to take the next steps and be the success I know I can be ... to become the advocate for others who will come behind me. ”

— Carrie Randolph



Danica Gleason, Liberal Arts

Child Care Access Fund Scholarship

A Heart to Help

A deep empathy for patients in their darkest hours is driving Danica Gleason to pursue a nursing degree. As a mental health technician at an inpatient psychiatric hospital, she compassionately works with people suffering from psychosis, depression, suicidal thoughts and other debilitating conditions. She's working on prerequisites so she can apply to JCCC's highly sought-after nursing program.

Danica is also a single mother of four children under 9. Her youngest attends Hiersteiner Child Development Center, and the JCCC Foundation scholarship she received covers full-time care. Prior to receiving the funds, Danica was struggling to make ends meet with an \$800 monthly day care bill and the financial obligations that go with being a student and parent.

"Childcare costs being covered helps tremendously," she said. "I'm so thankful."

Holding down a job, being an effective parent and succeeding as a student is a lot to juggle. You can find her in the library directly after class, working diligently until it's time to pick up her children. She also wedges in study time at home.

With a heart to help those who feel hopeless—Danica wants to make a difference.

“ Seeing people who are so in need of care pushed me to want to pursue a career in healthcare. I’m ready to help as a professional. ”
— Danica Gleason



Kristin Boeckmann, General Sciences and Liberal Arts*JCCC International and Immigrant Student Services Scholarship***Belonging Makes It Better**

Feeling secure, supported and accepted catapulted Kristin's GPA from 1.8 in high school to 3.93 at JCCC.

"I feel like I have a place in this community, and now I'm able to excel in my classes," Kristin said. "These scholarships are helping me pursue my academic and career goals and giving me motivation."

Kristin came to the United States from Germany to be an au pair before the pandemic. As part of an exchange program, she took a few classes, loved it, and decided to go for a degree. Then financial hardship struck in 2020 when her mother lost her job. Her family "looked in every nook and cranny to gather the money needed," but along with savings from her job, it wasn't enough to finish her degree. So Kristin started looking for scholarships.

"The only reason I can study at JCCC is because of all the generous scholarship donors," she said. "I'm so thankful. This college has so many resources, and the community is amazing."

Kristin spends a lot of time in the Academic Resource Center.

"I'm grateful we have all these resources," she said. She also relies on Honors counselors to keep her on the right path.

Now the girl who earned dismal grades in high school is on track to graduate with Honors at JCCC.

Honors graduates pose outside Midwest Trust Center

“ I would not be able to have the same amazing experience in my home country. I don't want to burden my parents so I can accomplish my goal of studying in the United States...without these scholarships, I wouldn't be able to pursue my degrees at JCCC. I could not be more thankful. ”

– Kristin Boeckmann



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Emily Russell, Criminal Justice
Regnier Family Foundations Scholarship

Dispatching Hope

Emily Russell is determined to rise through the ranks, walk the front lines of Homeland Security and represent females as a Drug Enforcement Agency officer and border patrol agent in New Mexico. With plans to earn a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, her end goal is to have a career that contributes to overall community safety.

"I want to be there for people in the community when they are in their most vulnerable state or time of crisis," she said.

Members of Emily's family are also committed to supporting one another in trying times. Everyone, including Emily, pitched in when her grandmother was diagnosed with terminal cancer. Emily had planned to work full time to help pay bills, but thanks to the scholarship money, she is able to work less hours, focus on her studies and cherish more family time.

“ The scholarship has given my parents and me the chance to breathe and not have as much financial worry about sending me to college. My parents know I am getting the best education in a safe, stress-free environment. All my professors care about me and want to see me succeed. ”

– Emily Russell



Criminal Justice students in front of the JCCC Police Academy





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The JCCC Foundation and everyone at JCCC, especially our students, **THANK YOU**—each of you— for participating at any level in our 2022 annual giving campaign for scholarships and student basic needs.



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Nearly **400** sponsors and participants donated

Giving Options to Consider

Some Enchanted Evening, our 2022 giving campaign with our gala in November, was one way that donors supported JCCC students. Here are other ways to make a difference:

Contributions

The JCCC Foundation gratefully accepts gifts and contributions allocated across a wide variety of interests. Your gift may be passed on immediately to be used for student scholarships or to support a specific area of the College or placed in an endowment to work in perpetuity for the purpose you designate.

Personal Endowments

Endowments may be established in honor of your family or place of business with a significant first gift. As a part of the personalized endowment process, you may direct the annual proceeds to a designated need of the College, which best fits your personal interest.

Memorial and Tribute Gifts

Relatives and friends often choose to remember loved ones with contributions to memorial funds. Gifts also may be directed to the Foundation to commemorate a special event in one's life or the life of another. This act of giving is an extremely thoughtful way of noting a special occasion while remembering the needs of the College.

Sponsorships

The JCCC Foundation hosts a variety of special events and programs each year. Sponsorships provide an engaging way for you, your company or your organization to support JCCC while receiving a variety of exciting benefits. Each sponsorship provides unique opportunities for you to give back to JCCC and our students.

Leave a Legacy

Legacy gifts are an excellent way to ensure your values are perpetuated beyond your own lifetime. Remembering the JCCC Foundation in your estate plan allows you to take advantage of several beneficial opportunities. From bequests to life insurance gifts, making a legacy gift can help you accomplish your philanthropic goals now and in the future.

Participation

Please contact us to further discuss opportunities to make a charitable contribution.

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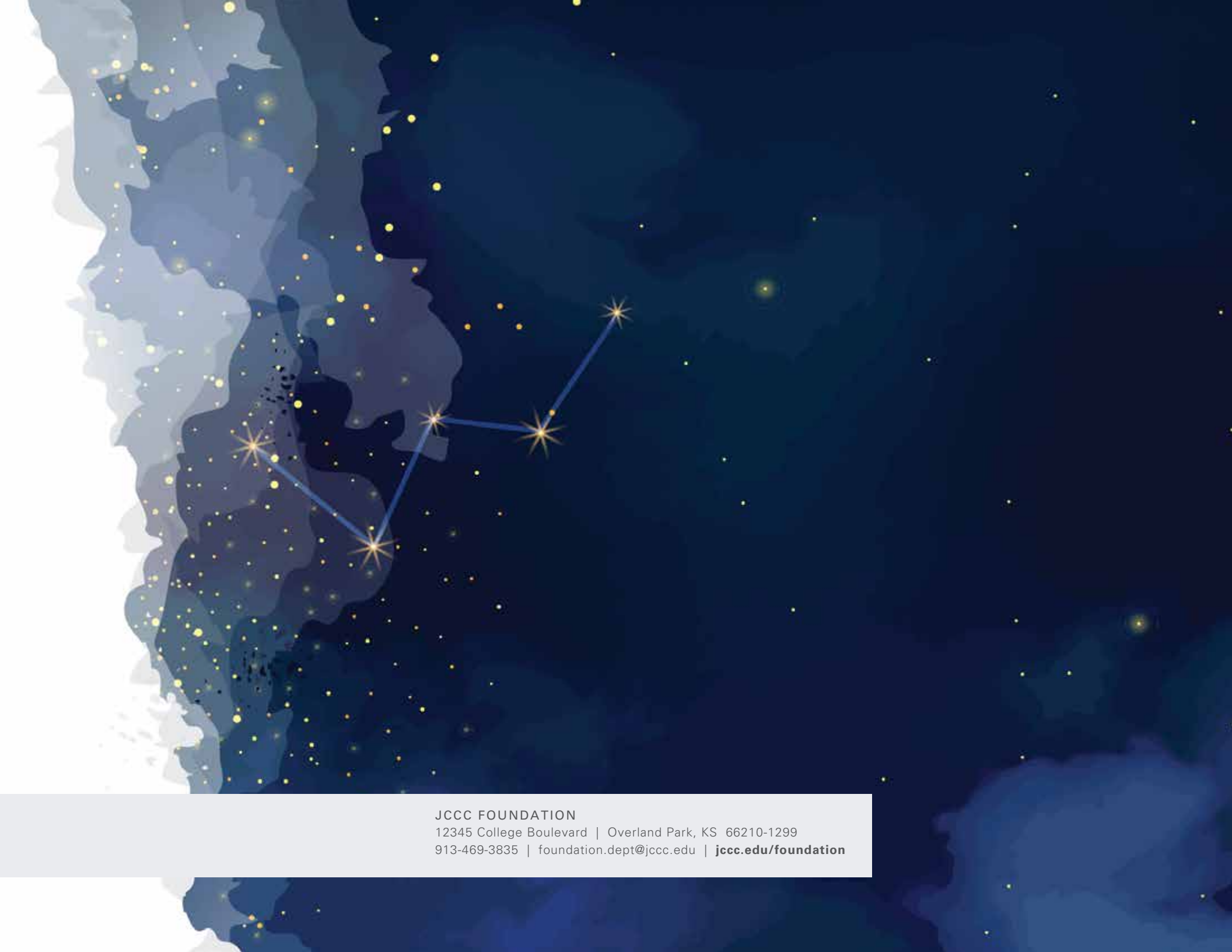
Save the Date

Some Enchanted Evening Gala
Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023



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