

Thursday, November 12, 2020
7 pm, Virtual Event Broadcast
Live from SCCC Campus

**FUNDING
THEIR FUTURE**
VIRTUAL EVENT

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STUDENT SUCCESS



Student Success

While students do have access to the Community College Opportunity Grant and other publicly funded programs, 394 SCCC students still needed to take out student loans last year to attend SCCC, totaling \$1,895,001 in debt, or an average amount of \$4,810 per student.

In 2020 the SCCC Foundation gave \$106,000 in scholarships to 100 recipients, for an average of \$1,019 per recipient. This was made possible by charitable donations from the extended SCCC community through initiatives such as the 100 Women Project and Funding Their Future, as well as annual and endowed scholarships.

FACULTY/STAFF SUPPORT



Faculty & Staff Support

Student success depends on having dedicated and accomplished faculty and staff. Faculty must be trained, not only in their field of study, but also in academic advising and technology. We also need specialized staff in our Writing Center and Disability Office to meet the diverse needs of our students.

We want to recruit and retain passionate educators who understand their role in a community college environment. Strategic hiring of faculty and staff also contributes to campus diversity, and makes us a competitive employer in the academic marketplace.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

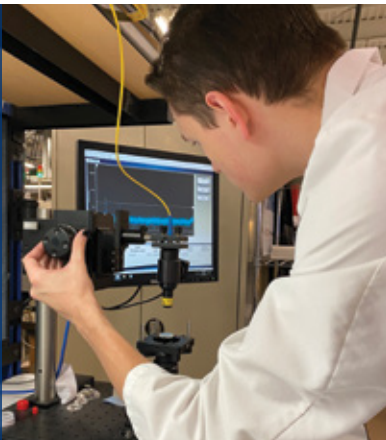


Academic Support

“We must continually replenish the countless perishable materials that are fundamental to curriculum,” says Sherry Fitzgerald, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs & Dean of Arts and Humanities. So, every year, she signs off on purchase orders for an unending variety of necessities for teaching and learning the arts and sciences, technology, and professions.

Keeping equipment and supplies up to date is essential in preparing our students for careers in cutting-edge job markets.

INNOVATION FUND



Innovation Fund

In recent years, SCCC has found special funding for initiatives like the McGuire Technical Education Center. We must ensure that Sussex has the resources to continue innovating and sustain future projects for years to come. We have established the Innovation Fund to support future efforts that give our students, graduates, and community what they need to succeed.

Event Program

6:30 pm

Virtual Networking

7-8:00 pm

The *Funding Their Future, From Afar* program will include:

Message from the President

Foundation Welcome

Farm-to-Table Cooking Demonstration
Featuring SCCC Agriculture and
Culinary Programs

Athletics Video

Student Musical Performance

Student Stories

Door Prize Drawings and Silent Auction



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Message from SCCC President, Jon H. Connolly

Dear Friends of Sussex County Community College:

Thank you for attending the fourth annual Sussex County Community College Foundation Funding Their Future event. While the method of academic delivery during these unprecedented times has changed for most students, our mission remains strong. We continue to change people's lives for the better through higher education attainment and skills for the modern workforce.


Community colleges play a crucial role in American higher education. The pandemic has not changed the fact that those with a college degree have a much better chance of getting a job, at a higher salary, than those who do not. This is true regardless of the discipline or vocation. SCCC offers a vital pathway to a four-year degree, as well as career and technical training. Not only do we educate our students and change lives, we also serve as an engine of opportunity that supports social mobility, and contributes to economic prosperity.

Despite our vital role, community colleges receive \$8,800 less in education revenue per student enrolled than four-year institutions, according to a new analysis from the Center for American Progress. That translates into a total gap of \$78 billion between the two sectors. The work of the SCCC Foundation provides essential support for the students we serve, allowing them to start and finish school. Your participation in Funding Their Future, and your on-going contributions to foundation scholarships, will be the most important tool that SCCC has to defeat the rising cost of higher education, and the challenges we are all facing today. We, at SCCC, are truly grateful for your show of support by attending this event, and by your on-going support of this mission.

Tonight you are contributing to the educational enrichment of our workforce and to the economic sustainability of our county, state, and country.

I would like to thank our sponsors and donors, students and volunteers, and the planning committee for this wonderful virtual event.

Sincerely,



Jon H. Connolly, Ph.D.
President
Sussex County Community College



Message from Foundation Executive Director, Stan Kula

I want to take a moment to thank you for the generous support to the Sussex County Community College Foundation by attending Funding Their Future. Even through a global pandemic “the show must go on” and we gather (remotely) to celebrate our students and programs.

Throughout my 20 years living in Sussex County, I have seen how SCCC is leading us into the future. I have the honor of working alongside our president, Dr. Jon Connolly, and our leadership team to realize our shared vision of SCCC as a leader in NJ Higher Education, and as a premier provider of 21st-century learning opportunities, professional training, and skills development to meet the needs of the people of our community in a globally competitive environment.

The SCCC Foundation is ready to seize this moment. All it takes is for the extended SCCC community to mobilize with us and invest in this institution that is intent on improving lives and building a vibrant community.

An affordable path to a valuable degree or career is just the beginning of what we provide to our students at SCCC. We understand the value of keeping our local residents here in the county and attracting new people to our community. Through our 72 degree and certificate programs we provide local businesses with a prepared workforce, new beginnings for career-changers, and exciting offerings for lifetime learners. Simply put, it is about helping our communities to excel by meeting the needs and opportunities of today and tomorrow.

Reaching our full potential is possible as the Foundation connects with alumni, community stakeholders, and business leaders to strengthen our relationship. I strongly believe that through relationship building and communication, we will together find the needs of the College that will bring out the passions of our community.

Under the leadership of Dr. Connolly, we have developed partnerships with local businesses that do just this. Examples of these partnerships are the new Optics Technology Program developed with Thorlabs and our enhanced Automotive Technology Programs offered at the McGuire Technical Education Center.

It's time to build on these successes and bring our vision for SCCC into sharper focus. Whether this event is your introduction to SCCC, or you have been involved for many years, may tonight be a step toward an ongoing conversation that leads to a greater commitment.

I look forward to working with the SCCC community as we fulfill our mission and reach our potential together.

With gratitude,

Stan Kula
Executive Director of the SCCC Foundation



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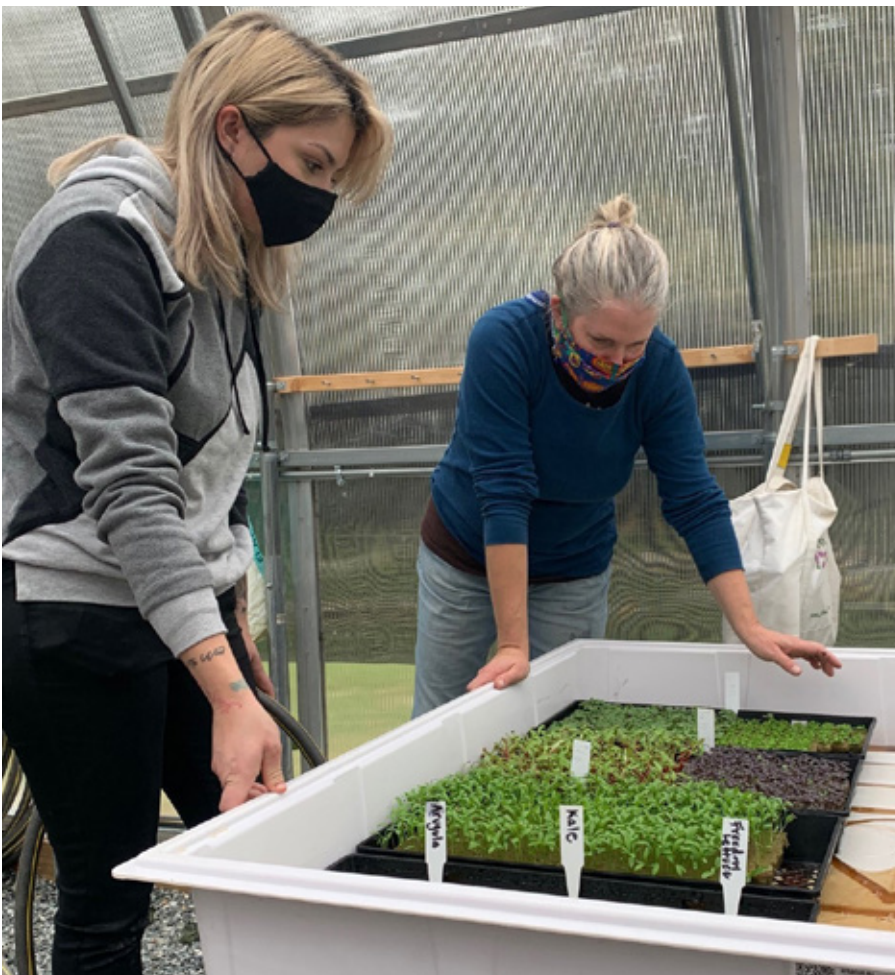
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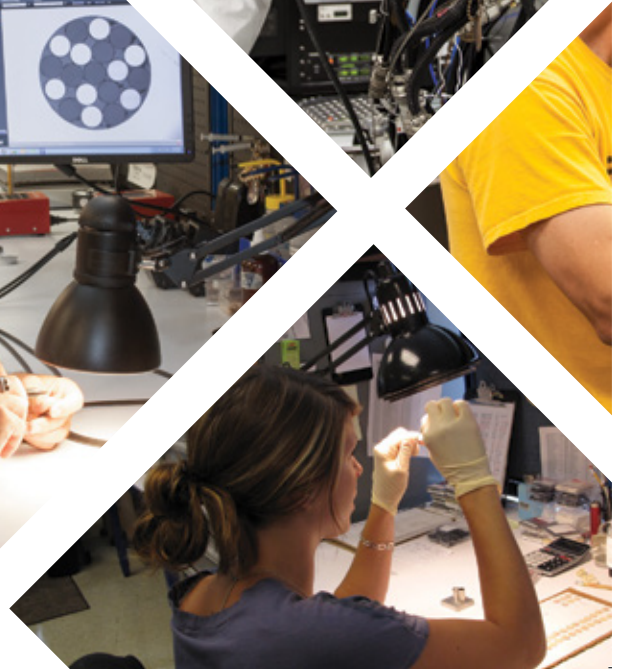


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The **100 Women Project** at Sussex County Community College is a diverse network of women leaders in our community. Its mission is to raise funds for scholarships for non-traditional women students attending SCCC. The project brings together women to support one another through networking, professional development, discussion of essential topics, volunteerism, and local philanthropy.

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Scholarship Student Profiles



Tara Nestinger

“I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to receive a scholarship from the 100 Women Project. As a single mom, struggling financially, I am trying to ensure the best future for my children and myself by receiving a higher education. In my journey to obtain my degree, this endowment means literally the world to me in helping me achieve that goal.”



Brianna Inglima

“I knew Sussex would give me the foundation I needed to build up from and lead me towards the decision of my future career. I had also learned about the NJ Stars program and worked hard to qualify for it to make SCCC an even better choice for me financially. I’ve learned so much at Sussex and it has helped me better understand what career path I truly felt fit my personality and skill sets.”



Tyler Simpson

“Coming to Sussex was an easy transition. Both my siblings came here and I thought it would be a better start. I am in a perfect learning environment and I can still work while staying close to home. Everyone here is amazing, from the professors to the staff.”



Christine O'Brien

“I decided to use the GI Bill to get my education; it was a perfect opportunity for me. The veterans services coordinator is amazing and very supportive. I was able to utilize the Veterans Resource Center which was a great place to go and get away to study. I think the College is wonderful and encourage anyone to make this their first stop for their education. It’s a great place to start.”