

# AN INVESTMENT IN THE CHARTER OAK STATE COLLEGE FOUNDATION MISSION MAKES AN IMPACT! GRATITUDE, APPRECIATION, RELIEF, TECHNOLOGY, EQUITY & HOPE

### Tiffany, a Scholarship Recipient, explains why donors make a difference!

"I appreciate you believing in and investing in me, a Charter Oak State College Student. Individuals (like you) who believe in others and provide financial assistance, pave the way for student success. You make a difference, as you are helping create our future workforce, and you are creating a chain of giving that will never end! "I too, one day will be able to give back! Even though I try to in small ways currently; I plan to be a generous donor and help students like myself achieve their goals."

## Ledia, a Technology Grant Recipient, is profoundly grateful, thankful, and appreciative!

"I would like to thank the Charter Oak State College Foundation for giving me a technology award! I have not had a new computer since 2011. I now have a brand-new 2022 HP computer to help me on my educational journey. "I am beyond thankful to the COSC Foundation and the donors!"

# Alyssa is incredibly grateful as she explains her second chance!



"I can now pay for fall semester without the anxiety of not knowing where to find the money. Charter Oak has given me a second chance at fulfilling my dream of earning my degree. To me, receiving this (scholarship) helps prove that it does not matter how many times one falls down, but instead, how many times one gets up."

# Prior Learning assessment validates learning!

Jeanette exclaims, "thank you for offering such an invaluable program to provide credit for prior learning and experience! This award validates the work and commitment that I have to the healthcare industry and community. I feel confident that I will be able to demonstrate learning in the waters I have chartered as a healthcare manager for the last 11 years and use the credit to finish my degree."

#### Wait ...there is more.

The Foundation Board under their new bold and brave initiative, **awarded 10 additional** scholarships for the Fall of 2022.

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Silvia was one of the ten ... "I am honored to be one of the recipients of the Foundation General

Scholarship (2). Thank you for your charitable support! I am a first-generation college student, the first in my family to attend college. Growing up in a less advantaged neighborhood I encountered economic and academic challenges, but this has helped me recognize the significance of higher education."

"Your scholarship will help me continue to earn my BA in Health Information Management and further my career in healthcare. This scholarship will aid in my degree completion and fuel my passion for

assisting clinical staff and customers with quality and efficient medical records."

Louis really appreciates the financial assistance! He shared,



"I am so happy to be a student at Charter Oak. Thank you for your generosity as this will help me continue my path towards my education degree. I am now in junior level courses as I recently achieved my associates degree, and this scholarship will help me pay for my courses."

"I look forward towards earning a bachelor's degree in Education and I look forward to teaching fundamental educational skills to students."

BUT in just this fall, 42 other students applied to the Foundation and did not receive assistance due to limited resources. One such student, is a single mom working full-time earning \$15 an hour is determined to finish her degree. She used to work two or three jobs but decided in order to take care of her children, her home responsibilities, and continue her education, she would only work one job.

She explained, "It is not easy to find the funds to pay for college courses, materials and other fees in today's ever-changing times, prices are going up for food, gas, and rent. Making it nearly impossible to be successful as a student let alone a person in general. However, I am proud to be the first in my family to attend college." "To graduate would set an example for the generations to follow. As a mother in my 30's, I want to set the example that late is better than never, and you can do anything you truly put the work in for!"

"Pursuing my COSC degree and receiving a scholarship will help me reach my dream of one day opening my own children's center." . . . Help us GIVE more with your gift of any size today!

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