

Achieving the Vision



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Monroe County Community College is a mission-driven institution. Our mission is our statement of organizational scope, purposes and operation that distinguishes us from other colleges, universities and organizations.

Specifically, the MCCC mission is to “enrich lives” in our community by being student-focused and offering quality programs and services at an affordable price. Each day, we work very hard to ensure that we are doing just that.

But we are also very much driven by our vision, which is a picture of the future we are working to create – what we want MCCC to become. The college’s vision is the following:

To be recognized for our student-focused service, academic excellence, affordability, innovation, community responsiveness and student success.

As our current strategic plan moves into its fifth and final year and we begin crafting a new one, we wanted to share with you a number of stories from the past fiscal year that exemplify how the college has begun to achieve our vision and, in turn, how we have enriched the lives of our students and our community.



I invite you to turn the page to learn about success stories, such as how our dedicated faculty and staff developed a wide variety of new academic programs to meet student and community needs, secured nearly \$11 million in state funding for a combined health and public safety facility, reduced transportation barriers for students, offered free programming to help students prepare for college, earned initial accreditation of the Practical Nursing program for achievement of quality and excellence, launched a new readiness program to prepare future apprentices – and so much more!


Kojo A. Quartey, Ph.D.

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Innovation and Community Responsiveness

MCCC is innovative and responsive to the needs of our community. We strongly value outreach, engagement and collaboration.



10 New Academic Programs Introduced to Meet Regional Employment Needs

In May, MCCC introduced 10 new academic programs – six degree programs and four certificate programs – in areas including construction management/virtual design, data analytics, digital media, emergency medical technology, health sciences, mechatronics and paralegal.

Development of the new programs followed a comprehensive assessment of the college's academic programming offerings to ensure MCCC continues to specifically meet the needs of regional employers and our students.

The new associate degree programs include Data Analytics, Digital Media Marketing and Communications, Health Sciences, Health Sciences-Psychology Track, Health Sciences-Sociology Track and Paralegal. The new certificate programs are Construction Management Technology-Virtual Design and Construction, Digital Media Marketing and Communication, Emergency Medical Technician and Mechatronics.

MCCC Secures \$10.9 Million in State Funding for Future Welch Center for Health and Public Safety

In fall 2023, MCCC officials hosted a roundtable discussion with state legislators and regional leaders in healthcare and law enforcement to present plans on a future renovation and expansion of the college's Welch Health Education Building for which the college was seeking funding support from the state of Michigan. After several years and substantial effort, \$10.9 million was included for MCCC in the state of Michigan's conference committee budget report released in June.

This project, estimated at \$22 - 25 million, will add critically needed classroom and laboratory spaces for MCCC's Registered Nursing, Practical Nursing, Emergency Medical Technician and Respiratory Therapy programs, as well as

add classroom and laboratory space to allow for the creation of new programs and the forging of new partnerships with area healthcare providers. The college's Criminal Justice program will also be relocated into the building, with dedicated space to ultimately expand the college's public safety offerings. The building will be renamed as the Welch Center for Health and Public Safety.

For projects approved through the state's capital outlay process, colleges and universities must dedicate a cost-share to receive the funding. Community colleges must provide at least 50 percent of the approved project costs, while universities have a lower threshold of 30 percent up to a maximum of \$30 million. Community colleges are required to contribute a higher match rate due to their ability to levy local tax millages.

Area healthcare and law enforcement representatives in attendance at the fall roundtable included Alicia Wafer, director of critical care support services, Henry Ford Hospital; Nicholas Prush, Respiratory Therapy program director, University of Michigan – Flint; Lt. Stephen Borello, post commander, Michigan State Police - Monroe Post; Kelley McMillan, interim assistant chief nursing officer, Corewell Health East; Allie Meyer, director of regional government relations, ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital; Bob Van Klingerren, Bedford Township fire chief; Beyonka Swain-Mills, senior executive director for professional development, Michigan State Police; Kevin Pooley, retired Sylvania, Ohio police officer and adjunct criminal justice instructor at MCCC; Ken Laird, Monroe County Firefighters Association; Frank Nagle, director of community impact, ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital; First Lt. Brian Buege, commander, recruiting and selection, Michigan State Police; and Ken Piaga, recruiting manager, Michigan State Police.

Four legislators participated in the meeting, including Sen. Joe Bellino (R-Monroe), Rep. Will Bruck (R-Erie), Rep. Reggie Miller (D-Belleville) and Rep. Jamie Thompson (R-Brownstown Township).

Helping the Community Learn About Vehicle Electrification

In Fall 2023 and then again in the spring, MCCC's Applied Science and Engineering Division hosted events specifically for people who might be thinking about buying an electric vehicle but are still hesitant. The electric vehicle shows were free and open to the public and took place in front of the Career Technology Center. The shows featured the latest electric vehicles, and attendees were able to drive some of them and learn from the owners about their experiences buying and owning an EV. Visitors also checked out charging equipment currently on the market and learned about the current and emerging EV charging infrastructure, as well as met with automotive dealership and manufacturing representatives, network providers, DTE Energy officials, charging company representatives, MCCC faculty and staff, and government officials to learn about the present and future of electric vehicles.

Also in the spring, MCCC joined forces with the Center for Automotive Research – an Ann Arbor-based independent, non-profit organization conducting industry-driven research and analysis focusing on critical areas like energy and sustainability, technology, and labor, economics and policy – and invited members of the community to participate in an Electric Vehicle Summit at the CTC. The goals of the summit were to promote awareness and convene discussion on the necessary resources for electrification.

The EV shows and summit were made possible with support from a federal Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Planning Grant from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments secured by MCCC, the City of Monroe and the City of Luna Pier to provide programmatic and advocacy support for electric vehicle planning and EV charging infrastructure in Monroe County.

MCCC Nationally Recognized for Communications to Community

At the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations National Conference held in March in Seattle, MCCC's Office of Marketing and Communications won two national Paragon Awards for outstanding achievement in community college marketing communications. The college took silver for its "Online MCCC Viewbook" and bronze for its "A Pathway for Every Dreamer Print Ad." In October, the office won six District 3 Medallion Awards for outstanding achievement in community college marketing communications at NCMPR's District 3 and 5 Conference in St. Louis, Mo., including three gold awards. The gold awards were for Television/Video Paid Advertisement (Single), Television/Video Paid Advertisement (Series) and Print Advertisement. These ads are all part of the college's "Every Passion has a Pathway" campaign. The college also won silver for Video Shorts, bronze for Interior Display and bronze for Brochure for The Foundation's at MCCC's Annual Appeal direct mail piece.

All of the award-winning executions featured MCCC students.

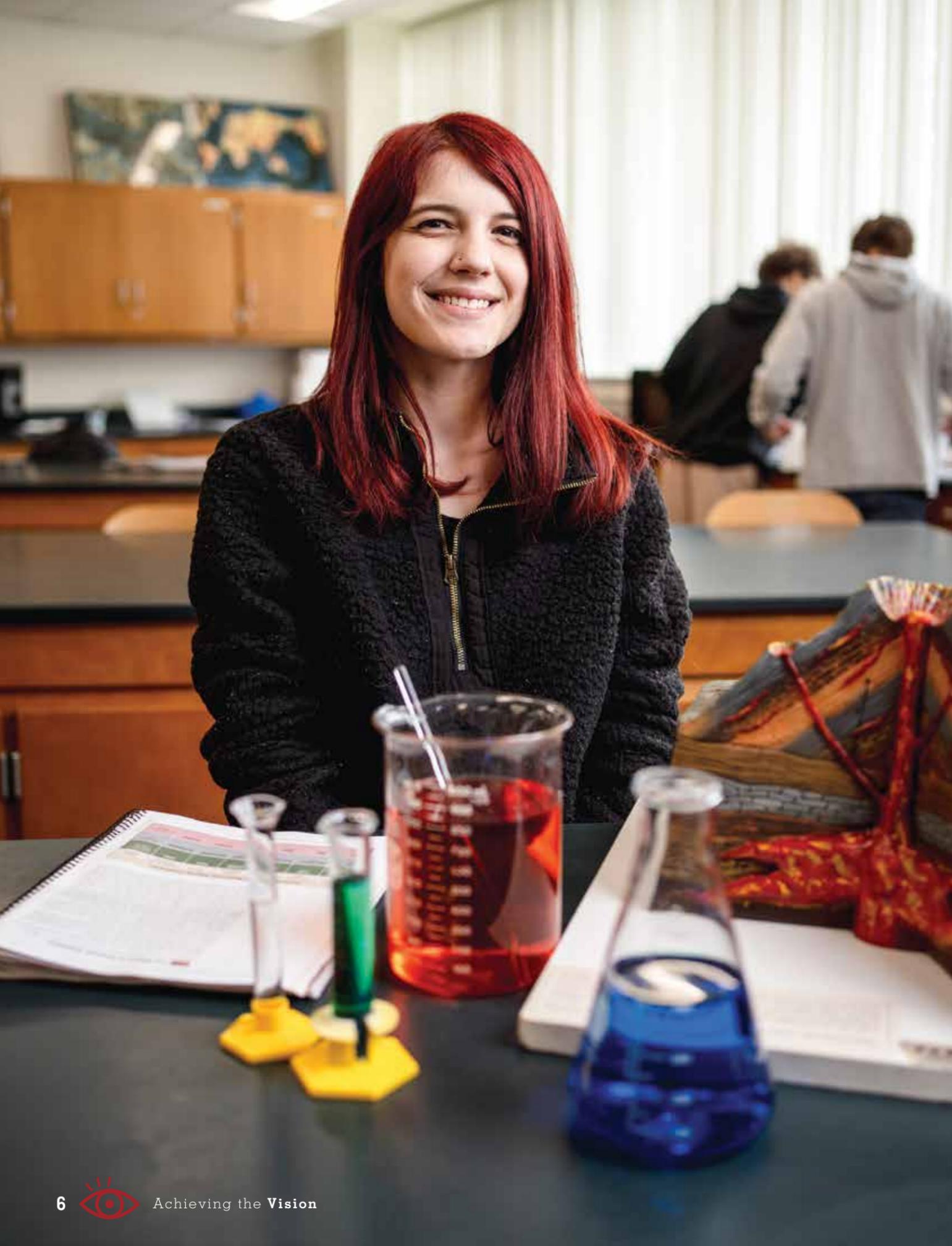
NCMPR is the only organization of its kind that exclusively represents marketing and public relations professionals at community and technical colleges, and its prestigious Paragon Awards recognize outstanding achievement in design and communication at community and technical colleges.

Culture and Community Affairs Series: Holocaust Survivor Shares Her Unique Story

MCCC's Culture and Current Affairs Speakers Series features speakers with expertise on a variety of cultural, political or social topics of importance and interest. Irene Miller, Holocaust survivor and author of "Into No Man's Land, A Historical Memoir," engaged with an audience of community members, students and college employees during an intimate discussion of her memoir in the La-Z-Boy Center, Meyer Theater. Miller's story is one of courage, determination, perseverance and the power of the human spirit.

Her memoir explores a less-often told story of survival during the Holocaust. As she and her family attempted to escape the atrocities, they ended up sleeping under a winter sky, freezing in a Siberian labor camp, seeking safety and refuge far from home in Uzbekistan, suffering from malaria and shuttling from one orphanage to another. And through it all, Miller came through her childhood experiences to become a positive, creative, accomplished educator, speaker, leader and author. Her book and presentations to groups all over the country serve her mission to promote tolerance and diversity.





Auto Tech Specialist Apprenticeship Program Now Offered by Monroe Dodge in Partnership with MCCC

In December 2023, the Monroe Dodge Chrysler Jeep RAM Superstore announced a registered apprenticeship program in partnership with MCCC. Through this new and innovative program, Monroe Dodge not only employs the apprentice, but also pays for tuition, fees and supplies needed for the student's classes, which are taken at MCCC. This two-year apprenticeship program includes 360 contact hours for classroom training and awards 17 college credit hours.

Registered apprenticeships are innovative work-based "earn and learn" models that meet national standards for registration with the U.S Department of Labor. MCCC partners with sponsoring companies to provide the classroom training portions of apprenticeship programs.

Community Conversations Steer Bright Future for Whitman Center in Temperance

MCCC hosted community conversations in the spring to elicit input from area residents as the college made plans for the future use of MCCC's Whitman Center in Temperance. The center, located at 7777 Lewis Ave., has long served as an important asset in South Monroe County; however, much has changed since its doors opened in 1991. Student preferences have shifted. Students who once would have filled credit classes at the Whitman Center now increasingly choose online sections.

Following the sessions, MCCC moved ahead on plans to offer a new Emergency Medical Technician certificate program at Whitman Center for the 2024-25 academic year. Other developments for 2024-25 at the Whitman Center include the return of regular Monday-Friday hours for counseling and advising purposes, the hiring of an on-site coordinator and the offering of many enrichment courses and career/workforce training sessions at the center.

MCCC, Monroe Family YMCA Announce Local Meal Distribution Partnership

In May, MCCC and the Monroe Family YMCA announced a partnership between the two organizations that allows the YMCA to use one of MCCC's culinary kitchens in the Warrick Student Center for food preparation as part of its meal distribution program. The partnership exemplifies the strong commitment of both organizations toward community welfare and aims to provide a platform for culinary initiatives that support local needs. Through the partnership, the college and the YMCA also provide food services for MCCC's summer Upward Bound and Husky Hype-Up programs. The Upward Bound program assists students in grades 9-12 in the successful completion of high school and preparation for post-secondary education. Students are enrolled from three target high schools: Monroe, Jefferson and Airport. Husky Hype-up is a free, 8-week, in-person summer program to help students prepare for college.





Student-focused Service and Affordability

At MCCC, we strive to make higher education accessible to everyone through our steadfast commitment to students and affordability.

Reducing Transportation Barriers for Students

Over the summer, MCCC started a new transportation service for MCCC students in partnership with Lake Erie Transit. The Husky Shuttle provides free “door-to-door” transportation on Mondays and Wednesdays during the academic year for students who apply for the service and reside in Frenchtown Township or the City of Monroe.

Transportation has been identified as a barrier to attending college for some students. When exploring the need and system capacity for a service like the Husky Shuttle, MCCC looked at the schedule of when the bulk of classes, especially required general education courses, are offered during the week, along with student demographics and input from students.

The Husky Shuttle is made possible in partnership with LET and through the generosity of donors to The Foundation at MCCC.

Free Program Helps Students Prepare for College

MCCC offered a free 8-week, in-person summer program to help students prepare for college. The program, Bridges to College – Husky Hype-Up, was open to recent high school graduates who were new or current MCCC students and placed into developmental courses for Summer or Fall semester. This student-focused program helped students via reading, writing and math skills support; a hybrid model of instruction that includes online and in-person learning, and activities to get them ready to become an MCCC Husky and build a sense of belonging at the college. MCCC provided all of the learning materials and supplies.

Highlighting Opportunity in Applied Technology and Apprenticeships

In fall 2023, prospective students visited MCCC’s Career Technology Center to learn about pathway options for gaining real world, hands-on experience using cutting edge technology for careers in scientific technology fields like manufacturing, automotive and nuclear energy or as a member of an engineering team.

The event, dubbed X-TECH - Applied Technology and Apprenticeships Pathway Exploration Day, was sponsored by the Applied Science and Engineering Technology Division.

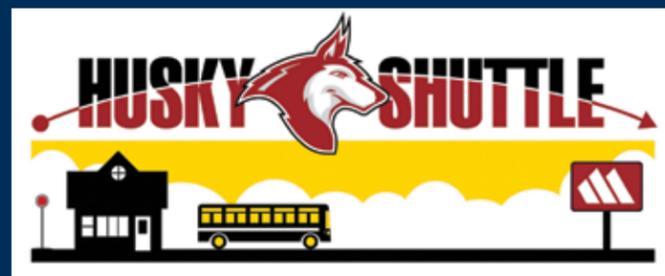
Areas of study highlighted at the event included:

- Registered Apprenticeships
- Automotive Service Technology
- Construction Management Technology
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- General Technology
- Manufacturing Technology
- Mechanical Design Technology
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Metrology and Quality Technology
- Nondestructive Testing
- Nuclear Engineering Technology
- Renewable Energy
- Welding Technology

Winter Enrollment Jumps 2 Percent; Younger and Out-of-County Demographics Grow Sharply

In 2024, MCCC’s credit enrollment rose by 2 percent over the previous Winter Semester. Nearly 2,400 students attended, up from 2,342 the previous year. In addition to the increase in headcount, MCCC also experienced a 2 percent increase in the number of contact hours taken. Students enrolled in 21,555.5 contact hours, up from 21,118.5 the previous winter.

MCCC also experienced growth in its younger student demographic, as well as from students of all ages coming to MCCC from outside Monroe County. The college’s dual enrollment population – students who earn college credit while still in high school – grew from 748 to 791 for winter 2024, an increase of 6 percent. The college enrolled 1,744 students under the age of 25, up 5 percent from 1,657 the previous year. The number of students attending MCCC from outside Monroe County increased by nearly 10 percent to 278 students, up from 255 last year.





Introducing Prospective Students to Nuclear Careers

In April, MCCC hosted an open house for its Nuclear Engineering Technology program that featured a keynote presentation by DTE Energy's senior vice president and chief nuclear officer, Peter Dietrich, who spoke about the future of the nuclear energy industry.

At the open house, prospective students and visitors learned about the Nuclear Engineering Technology program, careers in nuclear engineering technology and nuclear energy's role – now and in the future – in electricity production in the U.S. and the region. Other speakers included MCCC President Dr. Kojo Quartey, MCCC Dean of Applied Science and Engineering Technology Parmeshwar (Peter) Coomar, DTE Energy HR Client Relations Senior Consultant Kristi McMahon, and Martin Dubois, associate professor of mechanical engineering technology at MCCC and the instructional lead for the Nuclear Engineering Technology program.

MCCC and DTE Energy partnered to create MCCC's Nuclear Engineering Technology program 13 years ago. The program was established in response to increasing demand for highly skilled professionals in the nuclear power industry in the region, including DTE's Fermi 2 nuclear power plant.

Working with the State to 'Reconnect' Adults to College

MCCC hosted a special enrollment event in summer 2023, "Reconnect with MCCC," in conjunction with the state of Michigan, which organized and promoted events as part of a statewide campaign to connect working-age adults with postsecondary educational opportunities. MCCC and 26 other community and tribal colleges in Michigan simultaneously hosted a variety of events during "Reconnect on Campus," a coordinated, weeklong effort led by the Department of Labor and Economic Development and the colleges with support from other educational organizations, business leaders and former and current "Reconnectors." Reconnect with MCCC was an opportunity for new students and those who had previously enrolled but "stopped out" to explore enrolling at MCCC, with a special emphasis on those interested in the Michigan Reconnect program, which allows students who are age 21 and to apply to attend tuition-free.





Academic Excellence and Student Success

Our high-quality educational opportunities, programs and services prepare students well for the workforce or further studies.



Student Work Featured at Honors Symposium, Art and Literary Magazine Reveal

MCCC students had the opportunity to shine and share their research and artistry in April during the annual Student Honors Symposium and the Images Art and Literary Magazine Reveal celebration.

More than 40 students hosted presentations, discussions or demonstrations that were open to the public and evaluated by faculty teams.

Topics ranged from Explorations in Sciences (for example, “Benefits of Prescribed Burning” and “Relativity and Time”); Gender and Sexuality (for example “Diminishing Gender Discrimination in the Automotive Industry” and “The Gender Gap of Autism Diagnosis”); Experiential Learning at MCCC (for example, “SolidWorks Program” and “Summer Career Academy in Criminal Justice”); Black, Indigenous and Other People of Color Studies (for example, “A History of African American Literature” and “Mental Health Problems in Latino Communities”); and Technology and Society (for example, “Negative Outcomes of Social Media Usage” and “AI and Artist Copyright Laws”).

MCCC’s Images Art and Literary Magazine is an annual publication of student poetry, prose and art. The Images Reveal celebration gave students the opportunity to display their artwork featured in the magazine and share their writing creativity during the event. The creativity and artistry of 16 student artists and nine different student writers were featured in the publication in 2024.

Practical Nursing Program Granted Initial Accreditation for Achievement of Quality and Excellence

In May, MCCC received formal notification from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing that the college’s Practical Nursing program had been granted initial accreditation by the commission for achievement of quality and excellence in nursing education with an effective date of June 27, 2022. The commission commended the program for its consistently high licensure examination pass rates. The initial accreditation runs through fall 2028.

New Online “Issues and Trends in Health Care” Course Launched

The Health Sciences Division introduced a new “Issues and Trends in Health Care” course in fall 2023. The purpose of the course is to develop an awareness of the current trends and issues in health care. Students examine how legal, ethical, political and economic principles affect the health care professional and their ability to deliver high-quality patient care. They also explore the concepts of health, wellness and illness as they apply to the changing population. Contemporary issues – including social justice, advancements in technology, the COVID-19 pandemic, interprofessional collaboration and changes in the health care environment – are also discussed.

Respiratory Therapy Program: State Champs!

The MCCC Respiratory Program team won the 2024 state title in the annual Michigan Sputum Bowl, a timed quiz competition similar to the game show “Jeopardy.” The team, comprised of final year RT students Evan Kureth, Austin Kraatz and Joshua Wood, went undefeated against 16 other teams in April to take the Spittoon trophy. During the final

round, MCCC’s team took on Flint’s Mott Community College in a very close match that went to a tie-breaker. Nearly every RT program in the state was represented by one or more teams in this intense competition. The MCCC team is advised by Angela Prush, director of clinical education and instructor, and Kayla Ford, RT instructor.

Criminal Justice Explorer Program Begins

In fall 2023, MCCC’s Criminal Justice program and the Monroe State Police partnered with local fire and emergency medical services agencies to begin an Explorers Program for individuals aged 13-18. Participants meet bi-weekly to gain experience in all areas of public safety, including classroom instruction, lab work and field trips throughout the county. The program is designed to expose students to the criminal justice system, as well as law enforcement. This program is an experiential learning opportunity for young people interested in establishing a career path to law enforcement, public safety and criminal justice degrees. The initiative was led on campus by Dan Wood, associate professor of criminal justice, with assistance from Kristina Henry, experiential learning coordinator.

Preparing Future Apprentices

The Applied Science and Technology Division – in partnership with Southeast Michigan Community Alliance Michigan Works! – launched a new Apprenticeship Readiness Program in June for those who are interested in entering the skilled trades. The program helps prospective apprentices develop the skills, confidence and professional connections needed to be successful. They also get the opportunity to meet representatives from different trades to explore apprenticeships.



MCCC's Student Newspaper Receives National, Statewide Accolades

The Agora, MCCC's student newspaper earned 17 awards, including three first-place finishes, last academic year across four different nationwide and statewide contests. The collection of awards included three organizational or "best of" honors. Lexi Greenwood took third place as the state's Best Photographer in the Michigan Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest. Will Johnson earned an honorable mention as Best Writer in Division 3 for two-year schools or newspapers that publish less than weekly in the MPA contest. And the Agora earned an honorable mention as the Best College Media Group of the Year in the College Media Association's Pinnacle Awards competition. The Agora took first place for investigative reporting in the MPA contest: David Topolewski and Megan Kane shared this award. Layla Pavlick took first place in the College Media Association's Apple Awards for best crisis coverage. Finally, Chris Morgan took first place for headline writing in the Michigan Community College Press Association contest.

The Agora also collected the following awards in the CMA Pinnacle Awards contest:

- Third place: Best Feature Photo, Lexi Greenwood
- Third place: Best Breaking News Story, Will Johnson
- Third place: Best Video Entertainment Program, Agora staff
- HM: Best Magazine Cover, Tyler Pennington
- HM: Best Headline, Chris Morgan

The Agora also collected the following awards in the Michigan Community College Press Association contest:

- Second place: Personality Profile, Ashley Atkins
- Second place: Original Cartoon – Editorial, Ashley Atkins
- Third place: News Photo, Will Johnson
- Honorable Mention: Video Production/Online Audio Slideshow Production, Agora staff

The Agora also collected the following awards in the Apple Awards contest:

- Second place: Best Opinion Column, Mick Valentino
- Second place: Best News Website, Agora staff

Honoring Excellence

At Honors Night in April, MCCC honored students, organizations and faculty for their achievements during the 2023-24 academic year.

A few highlights included:

The Faculty Association Outstanding Student Award recipient was Hailey Grabowski and the President's Academic Achievement Award recipients included Sarah Ackerman, Nadia Angel, Kennedy Bowling, Christina Carling, Madison Cregar, Morgan Kay and Jayme Trantham. The Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award recipient was Kelly Colston, Business Division and the Outstanding Faculty Award recipient was Helen Stripling, dean of the Health Sciences Division and director of the Respiratory Therapy program.





Adapting to Change

"Change is the only constant in life."
– Heraclitus

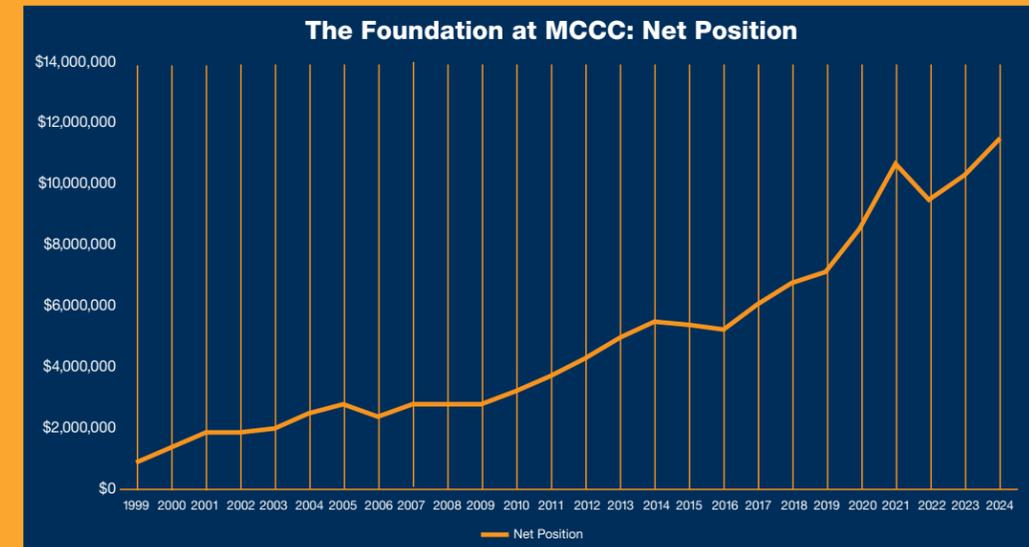
One of the greatest strengths of community colleges is their ability to adapt to the changing needs of our students and community. One notable change is the state of Michigan's ambitious Sixty by 30 goal to "increase the number of working-age adults with a skill certificate or college degree from 51.1 percent today to 60 percent by 2030." Monroe County Community College is proud to lead this charge in our community.

As the cost of a college continues to skyrocket at four-year institutions, MCCC remains a high-quality and affordable option for our students. The state has further enhanced accessibility through two flagship programs: Michigan Reconnect for residents 21 and older, and the Community College Guarantee for recent high school graduates. Both initiatives provide tuition-free access to an education for full-time students.

While these programs are significant investments in our students, "tuition and fee-free" doesn't fully address the financial challenges many face. That's where The Foundation steps in. Beyond assisting with academic expenses not covered by these programs — like books — The Foundation plays a crucial role in helping students navigate other financial barriers, such as transportation, housing, food and other basic necessities.

Moreover, direct student aid is just one facet of The Foundation's support for our students and the broader community. We also fund cultural enrichment programs, enhance educational experiences, support facility improvements and much more. All of this is made possible through the generosity of our donors. Thank you for your past, present and future contributions as we work together to foster generational change and improve the financial vitality of our community, one student at a time.

Joshua W. Myers, Ed.D.



The Puritan Bennett™ 980 series ventilator.

Stewarding Generosity

Investing in MCCC creates a powerful ripple effect, benefiting individuals, businesses and the entire region. It guarantees access to an educated workforce, fosters innovation, reduces inequality and strengthens economic and social resilience. As a cornerstone of the community, MCCC brings together education, opportunity and development, preparing students to meet the needs of today's workforce and tomorrow's challenges.

This past year, The Foundation at MCCC demonstrated the transformative power of philanthropy:

- Over \$300,000 in private donor scholarships empowered students to pursue their educational goals without financial hardship.
- Nearly \$200,000 in grants supported cultural programs and educational initiatives that enrich both the college and the broader community.
- Unrestricted gifts doubled, providing flexible funding to meet emerging needs and expand opportunities.
- The Foundation's net position grew by over \$1 million, bringing its total assets to more than \$11.5 million, ensuring long-term sustainability and continued support for MCCC students and programs.

Through these strategic investments, The Foundation plays a crucial role in enhancing MCCC's impact, building a stronger, more vibrant community for generations to come.

MCCC Acquires New Ventilators to Support Respiratory Therapy Program

Last year, The Foundation provided a \$50,000 grant to acquire five state-of-the-art PB 980 mechanical ventilators for MCCC's Respiratory Therapy program. Students will have access to industry-standard equipment, aligning their training with what they will encounter in real-world healthcare settings.

The program upgrade comes at a crucial time, given the planned expansion of the Welch Health Education Building to support the increasing demand for skilled professionals in allied health fields. Securing the ventilators at a discounted price demonstrates a strategic use of the grant, maximizing donors' investment to benefit both current and future students.

This initiative not only enhances student preparedness but also strengthens the program's ties with local hospitals, creating a well-trained workforce ready to meet the needs of the community.

Supporting Students Facing Unexpected Emergencies or Obstacles

Project Persist is a vital initiative launched by The Foundation at MCCC designed to support vulnerable students facing unexpected emergencies or obstacles that could derail their education. Through a collection of targeted programs, Project Persist provides swift and essential aid to those experiencing crises such as homelessness, utility shutoffs, transportation challenges, food insecurity and more.



This critical safety net ensures that students can continue their education without disruption, offering a financial bridge at the moments they need it most. With Project Persist, MCCC reaffirms its commitment to student success, addressing not only academic needs but also the personal challenges that can stand in the way of achieving educational goals.

Student Spotlight, Rain's Story: Rain is one of many students thriving at MCCC, where she's found both opportunity and belonging. Through the state of Michigan's Reconnect Program, her tuition and books are fully covered, easing the financial burden and allowing her to focus on her studies. Beyond academics, Rain benefits from a network of support services funded by The Foundation that are tailored to ensure her success.

She utilizes the Husky Shuttle for transportation, accesses essential items from the Care Closet, and



Scan the QR Code to view a video detailing Rain's story.

receives guidance and encouragement from dedicated faculty and staff who make her feel welcome every step of the way. Rain's journey at MCCC reflects the college's commitment to removing barriers and fostering a community where every student can find their place and achieve their goals.

Heck's Market Food Pantry plays a crucial role in supporting hundreds of MCCC students and their families each year by providing essential access to nutritious food. In response to growing needs, The Foundation expanded its reach beyond the pantry, launching Grab+Go stations across campus to serve students facing immediate hunger.

These stations offer portable, high-protein snacks, ensuring students have quick access to nourishment between classes or when they don't have time for a full meal. This initiative has become a key component in addressing food insecurity on campus, helping students stay focused on their education without the distraction of hunger.

Endowed Scholarships

Endowed scholarships are not just financial gifts—they are investments made in perpetuity to support student success, institutional excellence, and the long-term health and prosperity of communities. Many endowed scholarships align with specific career paths or fields of study, helping to prepare skilled professionals to meet the needs of local communities. Graduates often "pay it forward" by giving back to their communities or supporting future students. Endowments also reflect the values and passions of donors, providing a meaningful way to honor their legacy while making a positive difference in students' lives.

The Foundation added five new endowed scholarships this year:

- Lynette LaVigne Dowler Scholarship
- Traci T. Calkins Miss Monroe County Pageant Scholarship
- Frances A. Maedel Scholarship
- Amy and Judge Joe Costello Scholarship
- William and Kathleen Bacarella Emergency Scholarship



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All gifts are recognized for this specific financial year in the appropriate giving level. Cumulative gifts – a total of all gifts given over time – are recognized separately according to giving level, beginning with the Trustee's Society.

We are pleased to recognize the support of each of our donors. We have made a great effort to ensure the accuracy of this list; therefore, we regret any omissions or errors. Please notify us in writing of any concerns.

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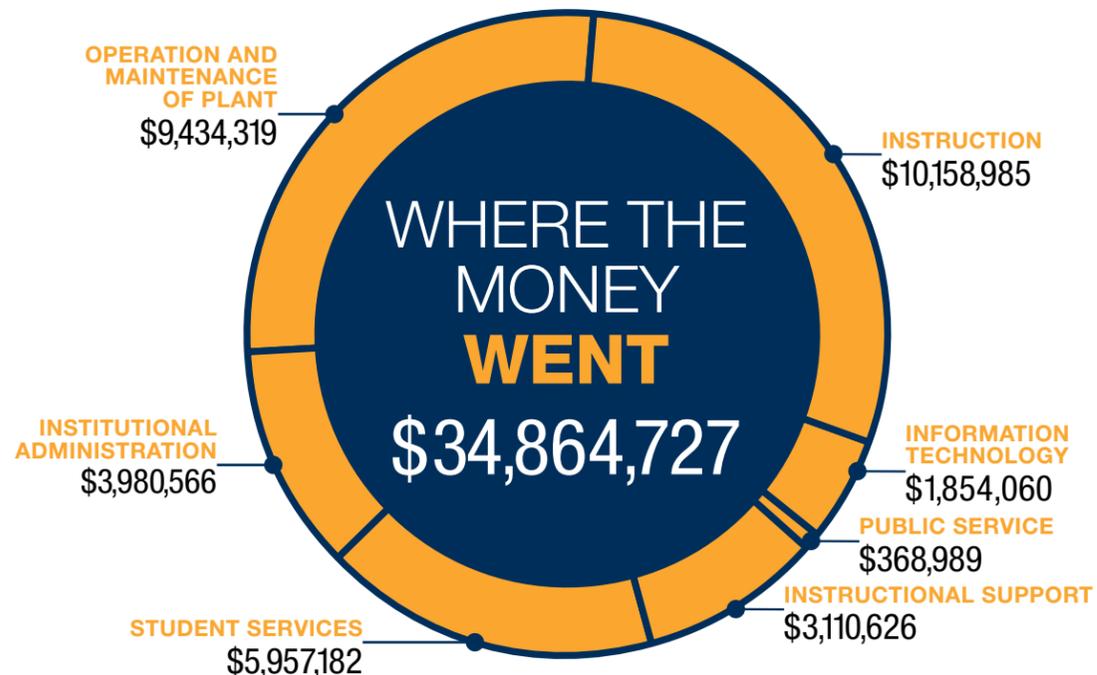
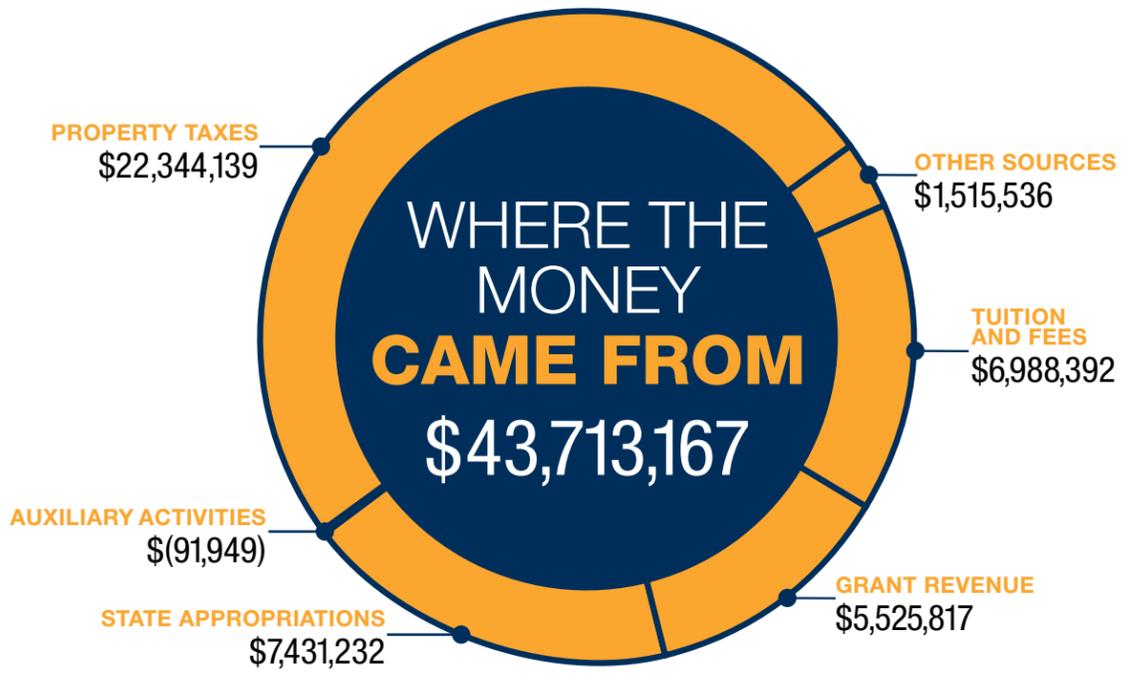
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Revenues and Expenditures*

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024



The Foundation at MCCC*

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

We received contributions totaling	\$351,134
Investment gains of	\$1,226,518
Special event revenues of	\$17,446
We received in-kind contributions for administrative services from MCCC and other in-kind support of	\$343,350
Which resulted in total revenues of	\$1,938,448

We distributed to MCCC for scholarships and program funds	(\$433,016)
And had administrative and fund raising expenses of	(\$343,350)
And had other expenses of	(\$7,314)
Which resulted in total expenditures of	(\$783,680)
Resulting in a total net asset increase of	\$1,154,768
When combined with our net assets at June 30, 2023 of	\$10,252,826
Resulted in new net assets at June 30, 2024	\$11,407,594

The June 30, 2024 net assets are represented by	
Cash of	\$1,084,666
Investments of	\$9,815,530
Accounts and pledges receivable of	\$603,445
Our total assets as of June 30, 2024 were	\$11,503,641
Our total liabilities as of June 30, 2024 were	(\$96,047)
Our net assets, therefore, as of June 30, 2024 were	\$11,407,594





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