



Naugatuck Valley Community College Foundation 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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HELPING OUR STUDENTS

Welcome to Naugatuck Valley Community College

Dear Friends,

First, and most importantly, thank you for supporting the Naugatuck Valley Community College Foundation. Whether you do so by generously donating financially, volunteering your time, advocating on behalf of a student, or simply visiting our website – we are truly grateful.

As Chair of the NVCC Foundation Board of Directors, I am honored to work with a dedicated group of Foundation board members who are committed to making higher education more accessible to all members of our community. With a sole mission of supporting NVCC and its students, we are fortunate to have generous community partners and individual donors who have been champions of our efforts.

The stress and strain of these past few years fell disproportionately on many NVCC students. Many of our students find themselves lacking basic necessities, without reliable access to the internet and computers, experiencing loss of income, childcare issues, and facing food insecurities. However, our donors continue to stand in the gap for our students allowing us to increase student scholarships, emergency funds, food pantry services, and more.

I feel fortunate to be a part of the NVCC Foundation Board of Directors, helping students to see their dreams become a reality and helping our community to thrive. Thank you for joining in our efforts to transform lives through the power of higher education. Together we can and will make a difference!

Sincerely,

Charles E. Pagano, Jr.
Chair, NVCC Foundation



S REACH THEIR GOALS.

Dear Friends of NVCC,

"I did it!" We hear the pride, the delight, and sometimes even the relief when students say (or shout!) that three-word phrase. The fact that they are able to reach their goals and claim their achievements is in large part because of your generous support.

Students are at the heart of our vision, mission, and values, and at Naugatuck Valley Community College we believe that every student, regardless of economic or social barriers, should have the opportunity to pursue their dreams of a college degree or certificate. Yet we all know how the complexities of life and often unimaginable obstacles can chip away at those dreams.

Your commitment to our students and to the College helps us to create a learning environment and expand our resources so that our students don't simply survive; instead, they thrive.

Your donations provide opportunities that transform our students' lives and the lives of their families and, in so doing, strengthen our local communities.

Our students arrive at NVCC full of dreams. Your support helps to turn those dreams into reality. Thank you for all you do.

Warmly,

Lisa Dresdner, Ph.D.

CEO, Naugatuck Valley Community College



Dear Friends of NVCC,

With great pleasure, I welcome you to the NVCC Foundation's 2021-2022 Annual Report. Your kindness resulted in yet another great year for the Foundation and our effectiveness can only be attributed to your generosity. In total, the Foundation secured \$645,305 in gifts, directly impacting Naugatuck Valley Community College students! Thank you!

With your generosity, we continued to respond to the needs of our students through the Student Emergency Fund, Student Book Fund, Student Jobs on Campus program, Student Food Pantry, scholarships, and various college programs. Your gifts continue to make a significant impact on the lives of our students, their families, and our community.

We sincerely appreciate you for believing in our students, and most importantly, giving them the courage to believe in themselves.

Angela Chapman

Associate Dean of Development

Naugatuck Valley Community College

Our mission and vision

Naugatuck Valley Community College Foundation Mission Statement

The mission of the NVCC Foundation is to raise funds and promote awareness to support the mission of Naugatuck Valley Community College.



NVCC Foundation Board of Directors, 2021/2022

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Naugatuck Valley Community College Mission Statement

Naugatuck Valley Community College offers quality, affordable education and training in response to evolving community needs by providing opportunities to individuals and organizations to develop their potential.

Naugatuck Valley Community College Vision Statement

At NVCC, the word "community" is central and our students are considered our most sacred trust and finest asset. Collaboration within and outside the confines of our immediate surroundings defines our actions and is the base for the rich intellectual, educational, cultural and civic-minded experiences we provide our students.

NVCC HIGHLIGHTS 2021-22

NVCC hosted NViSiON's Summer Program

August 2021



The NVCC Foundation Scott Lawrence Pond Endowment fund supported a three-week summer bridge program for seventeen new scholars of NVCC's NViSiON program. The NVCC NViSiON program supports low-income STEM students with the ultimate goal of increasing the diversity of the future STEM workforce. The summer bridge program was designed to help the new first-year students succeed in their STEM majors and create a strong cohort of friends and future colleagues. During the summer bridge, NViSiON scholars successfully completed math, English, and science coursework, as well as many cohort building activities and workshops to prepare them for the fall semester.

NVCC welcomed the Women of Color Empowerment Collective (WCEC)

November 2021



The Naugatuck Valley Community College Foundation was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Women's Giving Circle at the Connecticut Community Foundation in support of the NVCC Women of Color Empowerment Collective (WCEC). The grant allowed the college to enroll 15 women of color in a program focusing on empowerment, personal growth, retention, and graduation.

Linde awarded NVCC Foundation \$175,000 to support AMTC students

November 2021



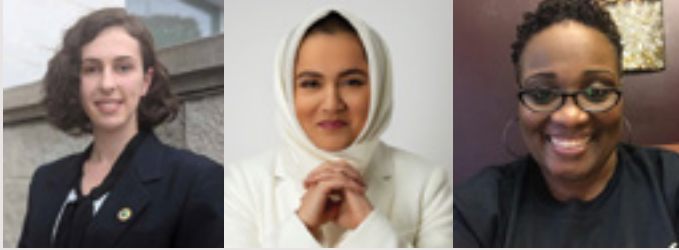
For the fourth year in a row, Linde has invested in Naugatuck Valley Community College's Advanced Manufacturing Technology (AMTC) Program. The generous donation of \$175,000 to NVCC's Foundation is part of the Linde Skills Pipeline Workforce Development program that provides funding to train new technicians in a 10-month curriculum. In addition to full scholarships, the award also provided funds for books, materials, technical equipment, and support for certificate testing fees. Linde has donated a total of \$500,000 since the inception of the program in 2018.



NVCC HIGHLIGHTS 2021-22

NVCC hosted Fourth Annual Alumni Speakers Panel

November 2021



Naugatuck Valley Community College hosted its fourth annual alumni speakers' panel featuring three speakers and a moderator, all graduates of NVCC. This annual event is a chance for the NVCC community to hear from some of our most distinguished alumni and showcase the value of education.

The 2021 Alumni Speakers' Panel included a recent NVCC graduate, Irisa Hoxha, Corporate Accountant, RBC Bearings and a full-time student at WCSU; Sohair Omar, MPP, Interim Director of Institutional Research, Naugatuck Valley Community College; and Raenette G. Riddick, MSW, Social Work Supervisor, CT Dept. of Children and Families. Mari-jean Morelli, RN, BS., Patient Navigator, Alexion, AstraZeneca and Vice Chair, NVCC Foundation, served as the panel moderator. Ms. Morelli previously served as an Alumni Speaker and was enthusiastic about an opportunity to participate in this inspiring event once again. The speakers shared their stories from their days at NVCC and all agreed it was the support they received at NVCC that helped them to achieve their goals.

NVCC Food Pantry Continues to Serve Students with Community Support

March 2022



The Naugatuck Valley Community College Student Food Pantry continues to receive generous support from local agencies and individuals to help students experiencing food insecurity. Students can pick up groceries at the pantry or have them delivered to their home once a month. In addition, the pantry provides a grab and go opportunity for students to pick up healthy snacks during pantry hours.

In response to the increased need, the NVCC Student Food Pantry received a generous donation in the amount of \$3,000 from the Elisha Leavenworth Foundation. The pantry also received an award in the amount of \$16,120 from New Haven County's Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP).

Fourth Annual NVCC Food Pantry Run/Walk Was a Success

March 2022



NVCC held its fourth annual Food Pantry Run/Walk to support the NVCC Student Food Pantry. More than 75 people participated in this year's event and more than \$1,700 was raised. The annual run was established in 2018 when the pantry opened.

The NVCC Student Food Pantry continues to evolve into a model pantry providing services to students experiencing food insecurity on the Waterbury and Danbury campuses.



"This scholarship has offered me learning opportunities that I would otherwise never have been able to afford. I am filled with gratitude. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

*Ryan P. Marquis
NVCC Class of 2022*

NVCC hosted the Women of Color Empowerment Conference (WCEC)

May 2022



The Naugatuck Valley Community College (NVCC) Women of Color Empowerment Collective (WCEC) hosted its first Women of Color Empowerment Conference. Congresswoman Jahana Hayes, a Waterbury native and NVCC alumna, and Seila Mosquera-Bruno, Connecticut Commissioner of Housing, were the event's keynote speakers.

For their capstone project, WCEC students planned a conference for NVCC students and Waterbury Public School students participating in the college's Upward Bound programs. Students identified and invited Congresswoman Hayes and Commissioner Mosquera-Bruno to be the keynote speakers at the event.

"We rise by lifting others! I am retracing my steps at Naugatuck Valley Community College Women of Color Empowerment Conference. I was every one of these women at some point in my journey," noted Congresswoman Hayes at the conference. "I am happy to play a small part in supporting these future leaders on their journey."

"It was an honor to speak at the first Women of Color Empowerment Conference. It is great to see women, who share my reflection, work to achieve their goals while inspiring and motivating other younger women," shared Commissioner Mosquera-Bruno.

It was a day of connection where young women and girls of color from our community felt safe expressing themselves and offered the students an opportunity to build confidence in their abilities to become their best and greatest selves.



Community Leaders Join NVCC at the Third Annual Leadership Breakfast

May 2022



(NVCC photo, left to right) Angela Chapman, Associate Dean of Development at NVCC; Charles Pagano, Chair, NVCC Foundation; Jennifer Jones, NVCC alumna '20, WCSU graduate '22; Bob Ley, Emmy Award Winning ESPN host; Dr. Lisa Dresdner, CEO, NVCC

The Naugatuck Valley Community College (NVCC) Foundation hosted its third annual Leadership Breakfast on Thursday, May 5, at La Bella Vista, Waterbury. More than 260 registered guests raised over \$50,000 to support the educational needs of NVCC students, including scholarships, emergency services, and the NVCC Student Food Pantry.

This program featured Jennifer Jones, a 2020 alumna of NVCC, who shared her story of hardship, determination, and triumph with the audience. Jennifer majored in Human Services at NVCC, was the class Valedictorian, and received the college's President to President Scholarship for Western Connecticut State University (WCSU) in 2020. She graduated from WCSU in May of 2022 with her bachelor's degree in Social Work and is currently a student in the University of Connecticut's Master's in Social Work Advanced Standing program.



"Your donations are changing lives every single day and I am a living witness of this."

*Jennifer Jones
Valedictorian
NVCC Class of 2020*

NVCC HIGHLIGHTS 2021-22



(NVCC photo, left to right) David Lepore, Advisor to the Mayor, City of Waterbury; Charles Pagano, Chair, NVCC Foundation; Fernando C. Spagnolo, Chief of Police, City of Waterbury; Bob Ley, Emmy Award Winning ESPN host; Neil M. O'Leary, Mayor, City of Waterbury.

The keynote guest, Bob Ley, Emmy Award Winning ESPN host of "Outside the Lines" and "E:60", engaged in an insightful and spirited dialogue with NVCC student Natalie Rivera-Dominguez and NVCC Professor of English Christopher Rempfer. Conducted as a fireside chat, Ley shared his experiences as an innovator and a leader at ESPN from its early days through his retirement.

"The personal stories of success, and the professional dedication of the NVCC faculty, staff, and administration are so very evident and inspiring," said Mr. Ley. "I had a thoroughly enjoyable visit with the school's many supporters, who enable vital work."

In its third year, the Leadership Breakfast was developed by Charles Pagano, the current chair of the NVCC Foundation and a Signature Sponsor of the event. The event has grown each year since its inception in 2018, with a two-year pause due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

NVCC Nursing Alumni 50th Anniversary Celebration and Reunion

May 2022



Naugatuck Valley Community College (NVCC)'s Alumni Association hosted a 50th Anniversary Celebration of the college's nursing program with dinner and wine on Friday, May 6 at the Mattatuck Museum.

Nursing Alumni included graduates from Mattatuck Community College, Waterbury State Technical College, and Naugatuck Valley Community College

It was an elegant evening of reconnecting, reminiscing and creating new memories. Alumni of various years were in attendance, including a graduate of the first nursing class in 1974. Graduates traveled from as far away as Texas to attend the event.

Foundation Fundraising Efforts Exceed Expectations

June 2022

Fundraising efforts through the NVCC Foundation have resulted in an increase of scholarships and awards to students from approximately 68 in 2017 to 299 in 2022. One of the outcomes of this increase is the creation of new endowment and scholarship funds.



"With this scholarship, I will be able to afford the classes towards my accounting degree and pursue a career that will help me give back to the community."

Kayla Harris
NVCC Class of 2022

CT Community Foundation awarded the NVCC Foundation \$43,500

June 2022

The NVCC Foundation received a grant of \$43,500 from the Connecticut Community Foundation to support the NVCC Student Jobs on Campus program, academic scholarships, and the Advanced Manufacturing Technology program.

With the support of our generous donors, the NVCC Foundation exceeding fundraising goals, raising a total of \$645,305 in 2021-2022! These funds will continue to support NVCC students in need.

Naugatuck Valley Community College Foundation, Inc.

Statement of Activities

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT						
Contributions and Grants	\$ 14,183	\$ 451,067	\$ 465,250	\$ 9,744	\$ 351,195	\$ 360,939
Special Events and Programs	59,103	-	59,103	5,478	-	5,478
Investment Income, net of fees	-	86,284	86,284	-	51,517	51,517
Net Realized & Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	-	(407,367)	(407,367)	-	415,756	415,756
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	<u>195,012</u>	<u>(195,012)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>374,395</u>	<u>(374,395)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	268,298	(65,028)	203,270	389,617	444,073	833,690
EXPENSES						
Programs						
Support of NVCC	303,911	-	303,911	221,503	-	221,503
Supporting Services						
Management and General	22,559	-	22,559	19,413	-	19,413
Fundraising Expense	<u>21,417</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,417</u>	<u>3,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,539</u>
Total Expenses	<u>347,887</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>347,887</u>	<u>244,455</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>244,455</u>
Change in Net Assets	(79,589)	(65,028)	(144,617)	145,162	444,073	589,235
NET ASSETS:						
Beginning of Year	<u>349,106</u>	<u>2,310,319</u>	<u>2,659,425</u>	<u>203,944</u>	<u>1,866,246</u>	<u>2,070,190</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 269,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,245,291</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,514,808</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 349,106</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,310,319</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,659,425</u></u>



My family is low-income and I have been working two part-time jobs and going to school full-time to cover my expenses. All I knew is that I was going to get my degree no matter what! These scholarships have taken an IMMENSE amount of stress off my shoulders. Words cannot express heartfelt gratitude. NVCC will forever hold a place in my heart.

*Natalie Rivera-Dominguez
NVCC Class of 2022*

NVCC Foundation Funded Scholarships 2022

Access Rehab Centers Scholarship
Ann Jaynes Memorial Scholarship
Anna-Margaret Fabisiak Distinguished Endowment
Student Award
ASML Women in Manufacturing Scholarship
Automotive Technician Achievement Award
Barden Foundation
Behavioral and Social Sciences Scholarship
C. Rodney Kleinhans Business Law Award
Carolyn P. Zaza Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Center for Early Childhood Education Award
Charles E. Pagano, Jr. General Scholarship
Charles E. Pagano, Jr. Endowed Scholarship
Cocco De Filippis Family Endowed Scholarship
Colonel John G. Chiarella, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
Connecticut Association for Food Protection Scholarships
Connecticut Community Foundation
Connecticut Horticulture Society Scholarship
Connecticut Horticulture Society Richard Jaynes Scholarship”
CT Attorneys Title Insurance Company Real Estate
Paralegal Award
Dorothy Witmer Kinney Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Dr. Charles B. Kinney, Jr. Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Dr. Christopher Love Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Early Childhood Education Scholarship
Edith R. and Roland O. Fontaine Memorial Scholarship
Emerson Scholarship
Exchange Club of Waterbury Scholarship in Memory of
Mary C. Isleib
Faculty Award for Excellence in Science
Faculty Scholarship for Excellence in Hospitality Management
Gene Haas Foundation
Gerard Melito Arts and Humanities Scholarship
Henry J. Pronovost Memorial Scholarship Award
Human Biology Scholarship
Johanna Quint-DeMagistris Memorial Nursing Scholarship
John Garrity Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Karen G. Russo Excellence in Hospitality Events
Management Scholarship
Lemonade Scholarship
Linde Skills Pipeline Workforce Development
Program Scholarship
Mari-jean Morelli Nursing Endowed Scholarship
Mari-jean Morelli Nursing General Scholarship
Mari-jean Morelli Public Safety Scholarship
Marilyn Meltzer Eslami Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Max R. Taurig Endowed Future Library Workers Scholarship
Max R. Taurig Library Endowed Research Award
Melanie Ilene Rieger Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Naugatuck Valley Community College Nursing Faculty Award
in Memory of Charles B. Kinney
Naugatuck Valley Community College Nursing Faculty Award
in Memory of Mary C. Isleib

Neil. M. Lindenman, M.D. Memorial Scholarship
Outstanding Student in Greenhouse Management
Phi Theta Kappa All-USA Community
Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship
Plant Identification Award
Professor Ruth M. Sasso Award
Rachel D’Avino Memorial Scholarship
Randy E. Bergin Mathematics Award
Robert and Paula DeZinno Hospitality
Professionals Scholarship
Ruth Ann Leever Memorial Scholarship
Sandi M. Stephens Memorial Award
Sandra Sharron Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Science Achievement Award
Scott Lawrence Pond Science Memorial Scholarship
Siemon Manufacturing John Brazee Scholarship
Siemon Manufacturing Robert Knickerbocker Scholarship
Simsbury Garden
Student Teacher Exceptional Effort & Dedication Award
Thirty-First Annual Connecticut Community College
State Mathematics Contest
Waterbury Garden Club Award for Excellence in Horticulture
Waterbury Institute of Management Accountants
Scholarship Fund
Waterbury Medical Association Scholarship
Westport Garden Club Scholarship
William and Mary Carew Scholarship Fund
Women of Color Empowerment

NVCC Foundation Fern Verriker Endowment

Award for Excellence in Computer Information Systems
Award for Excellence in Criminal Justice
Award of Musical Achievement
Commitment to Lifelong Learning Award
Excellence in Economics Award
Finance Award
Hospitality Management Golden Chef Award
Human Services Award Child and Family Services
Human Services Award Pre-Social Work
Italian Department Award of Excellence
Naugatuck Valley Community College Class
Salutatorian Award
Social Sciences Association Award
Spanish Department Award of Excellence
Stepping Stone Scholarship
Student Leadership Award
Theater Arts Student of the Year

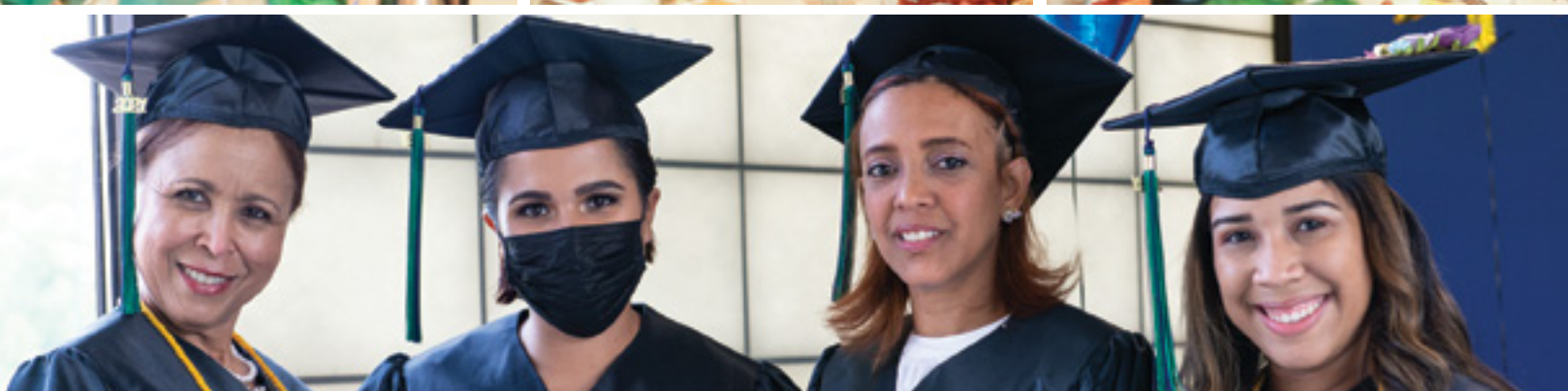
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*"This scholarship helped to lower the cost of college and the necessities needed to get me to complete my courses. I am beyond grateful and blessed. Thank you sincerely!
I feel honored."*

Kathylee Perez
NVCC Class of 2022



THANK YOU TO OUR 2021-22 DONORS!

Your support provides a gateway to success for thousands of hard-working students, many of whom are the first in their family to attend college. For more information visit our website at nv.edu/foundation.

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