THE EDMONDS COLLEGE FOUNDATION

A YEAR IN REVIEW

2021-2022





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A NOTE FROM 2019-2022 CHAIR, MARIA MONTALVO



Serving as the Chair of the Edmonds College Foundation for the past three years has been both a joy and a challenge. Facilitating the board's work during a pandemic was not easy, but helping students, faculty, and staff remained our priority.

The Edmonds College Foundation Board understands that the ways we need to show our commitment are as varied as the needs of the College's diverse student body. From scholarships to emergency grants to help build the STEM building, we want to make sure that as many students as possible can benefit from higher education.

When my husband and I attended the grand opening of Hazel Miller Hall, the state-of-the-art STEM educational facility on campus, it was the realization of several years of work by the College Foundation Board. I was proud to walk through the foyer named in recognition of the Foundation Board, knowing the hard work that went into raising more than \$2 million for the cause.

I have served on the Board of Edmonds College for more than six years alongside community leaders and professionals of the highest caliber. We all share a drive to provide more opportunities for our neighbors to pursue their individual dreams and contribute to society. We look forward to the growth of the Foundation and all we are able to do to partner with Edmonds College as it serves more students and creates new futures.

- Maria

2021-2022 RETROSPECTIVE

Take a look at some of the amazing things the Foundation accomplished because of donors and supporters like you.







PROGRAMS FUNDED BY YOUR GENEROSITY

- SCHOLARSHIPS
- STUDENT & EMPLOYEE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
- FOOD PANTRY
- COUNSELING & RESOURCE CENTER
- THE LIBRARY

- CENTER FOR FAMILIES
- VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER
- BOOK VOUCHERS
- LEARNING SUPPORT CENTER
- UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
- FACULTY & STAFF AWARDS

HEAR DIRECTLY FROM STUDENTS



Aileen
2022-2023 Scholarship Recipient

"When I was told that I was awarded this scholarship, I could finally breathe again and was no longer afraid of how I was going to afford the next few quarters of the program. I am deeply appreciative of your support and your help has made it so I can finish this program. Thank you for your time, generosity and support. I will not forget your investment in me."

"You have no idea how much this scholarship means to me. I have not been in school for over 20 years and receiving this scholarship makes me feel that all my hard work has paid off. It is also the lifeline I need to continue my education."



2022-2023 Scholarship Recipient



Macy 2022-2023 Scholarship Recipient

"Your support will assist me in being the first in my family to attend and graduate college. I am able to pursue what I truly want and eventually get to a place where I can better help my family troubles and finance, more than I would have working fresh out of secondary education. With your investment in me, there is no doubt I will go far. Thank you for believing in my dreams and wishing for me to succeed."

EDMONDS COLLEGE FOUNDATION DONOR PROFILE

Libby Lewis and Dave Traugott:

A Lasting Legacy Of Giving

Giving is second nature to Libby Lewis and her husband, Dave Traugott. Whether donating time or their money, the couple generously contributes to many causes that hit home for them.

For Libby and Dave, one of their favorite recipients is Edmonds College. As nearby Edmonds residents, they particularly like to donate to causes in the community where they can see their contributions make a difference.

Libby and Dave's involvement with Edmonds College started when Libby was in program management at The Boeing Company. An executive asked Libby to serve as a liaison between the aerospace giant and the college, setting the stage for a long-lasting relationship that has flourished well beyond her two years as a company liaison.

When she retired in 2008, she joined the Edmonds College Foundation Board of Directors as a volunteer. She has served on the board since and is currently the Board Secretary, the Co-Chair of the Program Committee, a member of the INSPIRE benefit committee, a member of the Board Operations Committee, and a regular scholarship application reviewer.

Libby and Dave remain active participants in Edmonds College's annual INSPIRE benefit. They proudly hold their bid cards high each year and utilize The Boeing Company's matching funds program. "It's great fun," Dave said about the college's largest fundraiser each year.

Through the years, the couple has utilized traditional and innovative ways to spread their generosity throughout the campus. Via their latest venture, Libby and Dave ensure their support lives on at Edmonds College. They set up the Lewis Traugott Endowed Scholarship, which will pay tuition for one student each year.



"We like the idea that it will continue after we are gone," Libby said. "We wanted to do it now so we can watch it happen."

Libby and Dave implemented a lesser-utilized pathway to set up their endowment. They have funded their endowment as Qualified Charitable Distributions from an IRA. They found setting up the endowment through their IRA surprisingly hassle-free and straightforward.

"It was extraordinarily easy," said Dave. "We got great help from the College Foundation and our financial guy."

They intend for the endowment to support a local, second-year student in their field of study. It is vital to the couple that their scholarship helps someone in the community and that, in turn, the recipient helps enrich the community.

Endowments take time to build up funds, but Libby and Dave did not want to wait to start supporting a student. They decided to donate specific funds to the Foundation to pay the college tuition for a deserving student until the endowment fully matures.

Libby and Dave's charitable efforts extend beyond academics at Edmonds College. They also established an annual scholarship with the Center for Families to provide childcare tuition for one child of an Edmonds College student.

Since 2008, Libby has visited the childcare center and read to the children on Thursdays. Miss Libby, known throughout the hallways, would come adorned in one of her trademark extravagant hats and read stories to four or five different classrooms.

Libby was blown away by childcare costs and realized it would be a barrier for some students to pursue their degrees at Edmonds College. She decided to do something about that barrier, helping both a parent and child.

"It is an enriching experience for a young child to be able to go to the Center for Families in their formative years," Libby said. "They receive top-notch care in a wonderful environment. It was a natural fit for me to contribute there."

Libby and Dave have made an impact at Edmonds College that will be felt by generations of students, whether it is through the Lewis Traugott Endowed Scholarship, the Center for Families scholarship, or Miss Libby reading stories to children. But if you ask them, they will tell you they are the ones that have been blessed.

"We've worked hard, and we've saved our money. We feel fortunate," Libby said. "I think that Edmonds College deserves attention. It's hard for donors because there are so many good causes worldwide. I know it's something that people must consider carefully, but I think the return on human investment is high."

GET TO KNOW BOB TERWILLIGER BOARD CHAIR



Bob Terwilliger and his wife met in graduate school in Albany, NY. They moved out to Seattle in 1974 and have lived in Brier since 1984. Bob had an extensive career with roles as a deputy prosecuting attorney, a private law attorney, auditor, and retired as a superior court administrator in 2015. He is a passionate volunteer contributing his time to the United Way of Snohomish County, the Edmonds School District Foundation, and in 2016 he joined the Edmonds College Foundation Board of Directors.

What made you say yes to joining the Edmonds College Foundation board?

The Edmonds College Foundation is focused on the students. The scholarship process helps people make it through the reality of working, going to school, and planning for their futures.

What do you want the Foundation to accomplish?

We must continue strengthening our important partnership with the College and support the initiatives they drive for student success. I'm also looking to grow our donor base and get them excited to contribute to the support and enhancement of the students and faculty of the college.

What have you enjoyed doing since retiring?

We've traveled a lot and are starting to gear that up again.

Where is your favorite place to travel to?

Paris is the city I will go back to again and again.

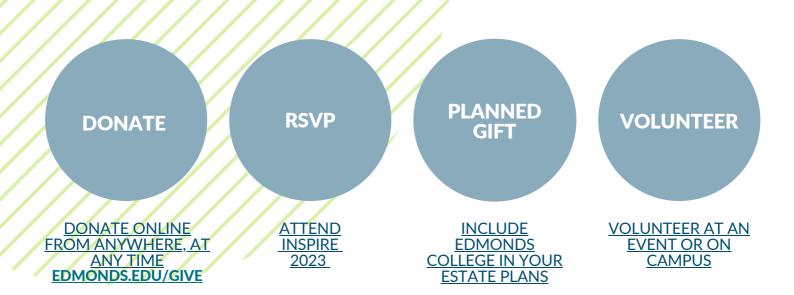
What is your favorite hobby?

My favorite hobby is gardening, both flowers and vegetables. We've also been fans of the Seattle Seahawks since they became a franchise and love going to games.

What is your favorite dessert from the INSPIRE dessert dash?

Anything chocolate!

4 EASY WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT EDMONDS COLLEGE STUDENTS



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