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### President's Message

Dear Friends,

We are starting the academic year at Coconino Community College with grateful hearts and with excitement for our new Vision, Mission, Values, and Guiding Principles designed to convey our passion for learning, focus our purpose, and strengthen the College. These statements, approved by the District Governing Board on August 21, 2019, are a culmination of the many wonderful ideas and thoughtful input shared over the past year by our internal college community (including students, faculty, and staff), as well as many external friends of the college. This process has led to clear communication of who we are and how we will serve Coconino County going forward. I invite you to come join us over the next year as we develop our new strategic plan, "Coconino Community College: Strength in Numbers 2020-2025." We are counting on you to share your ideas as you continue to support "your" Community College along the path to an even brighter future!

Onward! Náás! Adelante!

With sincere gratitude for your support and friendship,



**Colleen A. Smith, PhD**CCC President

#### **VISION**

Shaping the future of Coconino County. Empowering Individuals. Inspiring Communities. Education with Purpose!

#### MISSION

Coconino Community College is committed to providing accessible and affordable educational programs that prepare students for the future. Deeply engaged with the communities we serve, we promote student success through a welcoming and inclusive learning environment designed for innovative programing, career and workforce development, university transfer education, and continued life-long learning opportunities.

#### **VALUING PEOPLE: DIVERSITY STATEMENT**

Coconino Community College recognizes and respects diversity and the value it brings to our communities. We appreciate and welcome cultures, identities, beliefs, experiences and all that makes us unique. CCC champions and takes action to build an inclusive work and learning environment. We are allies and advocates, navigating a respectful dialogue about our shared humanity.

#### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

These principles guide the way we work and learn together at Coconino Community College through our commitment to:

- Put Students First
- · Listen, Learn, and Collaborate
- Act and Respond with Integrity and Resilience
- Communicate with Honesty, Dignity, and Respect
- Demonstrate Exceptional Stewardship of Public Resources
- Continually Strive for Excellence as a Community of Learners
- Provide a Safe Environment that Reinforces Learning and Innovation

### Foundation Current President & Director's Message

s I wrap up six years as the CCC Foundation President and nine years on the board, I am pleased to hand the gavel over to Christina Caldwell. As many of you know, in addition to her work accomplishments, she has a full resume of volunteering for many local non-profits and, in fact, was the recipient of the coveted Athena Award this year. To say the least, I am leaving the CCC Foundation presidency in good hands.

I want to thank the Foundation board members who I have worked with over the years. We could not have grown the Foundation to the level it is today without their hard work and time commitment.

During the last 10 years, the Foundation has doubled its scholarship endowments from approximately \$300,000 to more than \$600,000. Our assets have increased from about \$750,000 to over \$ 2.6 million, and we have provided countless scholarships and funds for college programs and services.

Some examples include a state-of-the-art simulation lab for training our nurses and first responders thanks to the Northern Arizona Health Care Foundation and the Arizona Community Foundation of Flagstaff and its collaborators.

A \$1 million grant from the Del E. Webb Foundation will give us the dollars needed to remodel the Construction and Sustainability program space, which will enable the College to create a Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning program and enhance certification programs for the College. Both programs will help CCC fill workforce gaps and provide career training that can offer sustainable wages for our Coconino County citizens. In addition to the efforts of the Foundation Board, none of this would be possible without the hard work of the CCC staff, faculty, District Governing Board and of course the generosity of our donors.

*In closing, serving as the Foundation President has* been an honor and a privilege, and I know that, thanks to the leadership in place, the Foundation will continue to benefit CCC and the students the college serves for generations.

**Andy Phillips CCC Foundation President** 



I would be here for 10 years. After being here for several years "retirement" was not really something that I thought about, but it is here and I bid all of you farewell. This is my last Foundation Annual Meeting and I will be officially retiring and reinventing on October 1, 2019.

It has been an amazing experience, and I am so honored to have worked with so many remarkable people including staff, faculty, students, and of course our donors, volunteers and the Foundation and District Governing Boards.

I started out as the Marketing and Public Relations Director, but in 2011, the position soon morphed into the Executive Director of Institutional Advancement, which included managing marketing, advertising, public relations and the CCC Foundation. I did not think that I would ever in my wildest dreams be the director of a community college foundation, but it was an experience I

would not trade for anything. Where else can you get paid to make a positive change in people's lives through the power of education?

*In closing, I want to borrow some excerpts from the* great baseball player Lou Gehrig's famous speech as he retired from baseball; "today, I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth." His closing sentence said, "I have an awful lot to live for." I could not have said it any better...

I am certainly no Lou Gehriq, but I feel the same immense gratitude as he did when he closed out his career. I thank you all for your support over the past decade, and I am sure that our paths will cross again.

Scott Talboom **Executive Director of** Institutional Advancement



### Foundation Entering President & Director's Message

A s I assume the president's chair of the Coconino Community College Foundation Board of Directors, I do so in deep gratitude to both Andy Phillips and Scott Talboom. They have done an excellent job of positioning the Foundation for the future.

Andy has been a dedicated board member and president who has contributed his time, expertise and resources in furthering the impact of the Foundation. He also has gently nudged, the board when it needed to be nudged. Andy will be missed, but please know that the good work we will be doing in the future would not be possible without the Foundation he helped strengthen.

Scott, who will be retiring after 10 years of dedicated service to the Foundation, has been instrumental in expanding all that has made the Foundation successful – scholarships created, donor gifts, and most importantly, students served and successes achieved. Scott's passion for creating opportunities for student success has always been the driving force in leading the Foundation. For this and many other reasons, we are deeply grateful and wish Scott all the best.

**Christina Caldwell**CCC Foundation President



It is an honor and privilege to join the Coconino Community College Foundation. While I've had the opportunity to work with Scott Talboom and the Foundation board for the past few months, I still have much more to learn! The commitment, passion and drive of the Board of Directors, Scott, President Smith and the District Governing Board have collectively positioned the Foundation for continued impact, effectiveness and community support. As a Community College alum, I've been able to experience, first-hand, the important missions and roles Community Colleges have in the lives of many individuals and families. My commitment is to build on the accomplishments of the past and create opportunities for the future to support the Coconino Community College Foundation in serving the community.

**Steve Peru**Chief External Affairs Officer &
Executive Director of CCC Foundation



#### Raymond Educational Foundation Scholarship Recipients

Rashid Awik
Erin Clark
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Eaonnes Douros
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CCC2NAU Raymond Scholarship\*

### **Antelope Point Marina continues to grow scholarships at CCC**

A ntelope Point Marina has donated another \$20,000 to the Coconino Community College Foundation to support scholarships for CCC students.

"Our workforce is primarily from the Navajo Nation, and Coconino Community College is beneficial to help creating opportunities for that workforce," said Michael Anderson, Antelope Point Marina general manager. "Antelope Point Marina is dedicated to higher education and enhancing opportunities and skills for people in our area."

The Antelope Point Marina scholarship is awarded to students who are residents of northern Coconino County. Preference is given to current or past employees of Antelope Point Marina. Preference is also given to members of the Navajo Nation, and particularly, residents of the LeChee Chapter of the Navajo Nation, which is near the city of Page.

Antelope Point Marina has donated \$20,000 each year for the last six years, and last year, enough funds were set aside to create a permanently endowed fund for students, available in perpetuity.

Over the years, the scholarship offers opportunities for up to eight students annually, Anderson added.

According to Scott Talboom, Executive Director of the CCC Foundation, that number has grown. This academic year, the Antelope Point Marina scholarship will be able to provide eleven \$1,000 scholarships.



Joey Smith (left), Assistant General Manager of Antelope Point Marina and Michael Anderson (right), General Manager of Antelope Point Marina, hand over a check for \$20,000 to Scott Talboom, Executive Director of the CCC Foundation.

### Foundation Scholarship Recipients 2019-2020

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#### **CCC receives \$1 million grant to upgrade Construction program**



Ken Myers, left, and David Cain, Construction Technology Management faculty, stand in the shop at the Fourth Street campus that will be receiving a makeover, thanks to a grant from the Del E. Webb Foundation.

Thanks to a \$1 million grant from the Del E. Webb Foundation, Coconino Community College's Construction Technology Management program will be getting a makeover to help the College meet construction industry demands in the county for skilled trade workers.

"The shortage and demand for the skilled building trades is the highest it has been in 10 years in our community," said Ken Myers, CTM faculty at CCC. "With this funding, CCC intends to build a training facility geared specifically toward improving the skilled workforce and providing our students with a space and skills to fill the demand."

The funding, to be received by the CCC Foundation, will serve several purposes: Renovate the current Construction Technology Management facility at CCC's Fourth Street campus; expand existing CTM classes; and add in-demand programs like Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVACR) Technology, Welding Technology, Electrical Technology, Solar and Wind Technology and Electronic Drafting.

CCC President Colleen Smith said, "The news about the grant to enhance our construction program will mean so much to our students and employers in our region. Our communities have been sharing with us the need for a trained workforce in various areas, and the construction industry is at the top of the list."

Smith said that CCC will continue to support educational opportunities for all our communities in northern Arizona, including Williams, Page, Tusayan and Flagstaff.

"The Del E. Webb Foundation was honored to give this award to the Coconino Community College construction and mechanical trades program," said Dr. John B. Lees, president of the Del E. Webb Foundation board. "We feel this project will provide long-term benefit by meeting a critical need, not only in the community but in all of northern Arizona as well."

The total project budget is \$1,058,500, with \$997,500 coming from the Del E. Webb Foundation, and \$60,950 coming from CCC.

The Del E. Webb Foundation was created in 1960 with the mission to "invest in productivity that results in long-term benefits" and the vision to invest in "results-based programs that will impact the future of our society by allowing it to reach its maximum potential." The Foundation distributes millions of dollars annually to institutions throughout Arizona, California and Nevada.

### Foundation endowments surpass \$600,000

The Coconino Community College has grown endowed scholarships beyond half a million dollars.

According to CCC Foundation records, as of July 25, 2019, the unofficial number for endowed scholarships with the foundation now are at approximately \$637,142. "Endowed scholarships are so important to the

Foundation because of the fact that they provide a sustainable source of scholarships for our students," said Scott Talboom, Executive Director of the CCC Foundation. "It is always exciting when a donor commits to funding an endowment because I know that money will be available in perpetuity for our students, making a difference not only for the scholarship recipients but for their families for generations."

#### Isaac's Ant scholarship dedicated to equal access

The scholarship was endowed in honor of Isaac Calley, a young man who passed away April 18, 2017. Isaac had learning disabilities, and he was fascinated with ants. The more he learned about ants, the more he realized how truly amazing they were, and he wanted to share his knowledge about ants with others.

"People overlook and underappreciate ants because they are small," said Charlie Bynar, Isaac's mother. "Isaac likened the ants to himself and his learning disability, but what he saw in the ants was what they could accomplish - even though they were so small. He realized that some individuals may be overlooked and underappreciated, but they are significant in their own ways."

With the endowment, Ms. Bynar wanted to help other students with interest in the sciences like Isaac and who have had learning disabilities throughout their lives but still have much to contribute.



Isaac Calley

### JKC creates scholarship for CCC construction students

Flagstaff-basedJKCInc.GeneralContractor has established a \$1,000 scholarship at Coconino Community College for students wanting a career in the construction trades.

"I think CCC is an integral part to the community," said Jeff Knorr, president of JKC Inc. General Contractor. "I would like to support anything to get high school graduates to see the construction trades as not only a viable job, but a career."

The JKC Inc. General Contractor Scholarship goes to one student for the coming academic year.

"We have a lack of workforce in the community for the construction industry," said Kenneth Myers, CCC Construction Technology Management faculty. "... it shows that the industry is actually taking a look at what we do here at CCC."

Myers added that the scholarship would be valuable for a beginning student or an older student wanting to retrain for the construction trades. Knorr said that the construction trades pay well and are available to men and women. A student has already been selected to receive the scholarship for the coming academic year, and Knorr, a CCC alum himself, said he also hired a CCC

student to serve as an intern this summer.

JKC Inc. General Contractor provides exceptional service in the building, remodeling, expansion, design, structural drafting and commercial tenant improvements for residences in Flagstaff and surrounding areas of northern Arizona.



Jeff Knorr (left), president of Flagstaff-based JKC Inc. General Contractor, presents Scott Talboom, executive director of the CCC Foundation, with a check to support a scholarship at CCC.

### **NAH Foundation surpasses \$1.7 million for CCC Nursing**

The Northern Arizona Healthcare Foundation has remained dedicated to supporting the Coconino Community College Nursing program for seven straight years.

In total, the NAH Foundation has, with table purchases at events and donations to the Nursing, EMS, Fire and Rescue programs, supported the college with more than \$1.7 million since the original donation in 2002.

"Nurses are expert clinicians, coordinators of complex care, comforters and patient advocates, and more of these health professionals are needed in northern Arizona," said Rick Smith, President of Northern Arizona Healthcare. "Our Foundation is proud to support the nursing students at Coconino Community College. Clinical professionals throughout the region praise CCC nursing graduates for their expertise and competence."



CCC nursing student Nicole Zygadlo is among the many students receiving a quality education thanks to the support of the Northern Arizona Healthcare Foundation.

#### Loven Contracting creates scholarship for CCC construction students

Flagstaff-based Loven Contracting has established a \$2,000 scholarship at Coconino Community College for students studying the construction trades.

"We at Loven Contracting are passionate supporters of Coconino Community College's mission to provide accessible and innovative educational opportunities within our community, and we are proud to sponsor the Building Relationships Scholarship in the



field of Construction Technology," said Michael Loven, President of Loven Contracting. "This is an exciting time in our industry, and we are eager to support a hardworking student's efforts to successfully complete a program and begin a career."

Two students will each receive \$1,000 for the academic year.

"The scholarship addresses an important need in our community for construction workers," said Scott Talboom, Director of the CCC Foundation. "There is a huge shortage, and it helps to encourage students to get into the construction trades."

Founded in 1985, Loven Contracting works across the Southwest, specializing in healthcare, education, commercial, hospitality and historic restoration sectors. Loven Contracting's goal is to deliver a project of superior quality while exceeding client expectations for excellence, customer service and best value.

Loven Contracting presents the CCC Foundation \$2,000 to support scholarships at the College. From left to right are Ian Fryer, Loven Intern and CCC alum, CCC President Colleen A. Smith, PhD, Jennifer Del Giorgio, Chief

Financial Officer for Loven Contracting, and Jed Westover, Construction Technologies Manager for Loven Contracting.

#### With scholarship help, mother of three returns to CCC to grow professionally

When she introduces herself, she does so in the Navajo way. She is of the Red Running into the Water Clan, born for Bitter Water Clan, and her maternal grandfather is of the Yucca Fruit Clan, and her paternal grandfather is of the Manygoats Clan.

Péarl Moore is the first generation of her family to go to college, and she's finishing her sophomore year at Coconino Community College. She wants to become an accountant. Originally from Black Mesa on the Navajo Nation, she now lives in Flagstaff.

"I decided to go back to college because the workforce pushed me to continue my education more," she said, adding that scholarship help made the return to school possible.

At CCC, she's working toward an associate degree in Accounting. Her future goal is to work for Indian Health Care for medical billing. If that doesn't work, there's plenty of need for accountants, she said and smiled.

Moore received a Raymond Educational Foundation scholarship, and the funds have helped her to focus on her studies full time, instead of taking one class at a time while she works a full-time job.

"The scholarship stepped in and paid for my classes, so it made it easy for me to go back to school and to continue with school," she said.

The funds help with books, food and gas for her vehicle, too.

"For me to go to school and struggle through hardship, it gives my children a chance to see what I am fighting for," Moore stated. "I am always fighting for a better life, and to me, that is through my tradition and education.

When her friends ask her if college might be a good choice for them, Moore said she prints out the scholarship list and sends it to them.

"I always tell them, 'You won't know until you try," she said.



The Raymond Educational Foundation is helping CCC student Pearl Moore train to become an accountant who focus will be on medical billing.

### **Raymond Educational Foundation**

Dr. R.O. Raymond founded the Flagstaff Education Foundation in 1952. A long-time supporter of residents in Coconino County, Dr. Raymond was known for generously helping with educational costs, providing free medical care and promoting health in the community. This two-year scholarship offers students \$1,650 per year, totaling \$3,300.

After Dr. Raymond's death, the Flagstaff

Education Foundation became the Raymond Educational Foundation in his honor. Since 1963, the Raymond Education Foundation has given more than \$5 million to organizations such as Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff Unified School District, Flagstaff Family Food Center, National Hospice, and Coconino Community College.

## Page student receives five scholarships to attend CCC



Lacey nez has plans to become a forensic psychologist thanks to the help from the CCC Foundation.

Page resident and CCC student Lacey Nez knew she wanted to go into a law enforcement career after a field trip to the Arizona Law Enforcement Academy in Phoenix.

"Growing up was a very tough environment for me," she said, adding that her young life was "difficult." At the academy, she listened to an officer explain the opportunities to becoming an officer and it became apparent she wanted to make a difference to people around her.

"It really changed the way I thought about law enforcement, because I met some really great people there," Nez said.

A mother of three, Nez is well on her way to her goal of being a forensic psychologist, and she has five scholarships this year to help her reach her goal. She received the following: CCC District Governing Board Scholarship; Antelope Point Marina Scholarship, CCC Foundation Scholarship, SRP Scrubber Scholarship, and the Raymond Educational Foundation Scholarship.

Currently, she's studying for an associate degree in Administration of Justice. A CCC2NAU student, she plans on completing her studies at Northern Arizona University. "I want to become a part of the law enforcement family," she said. "As of right now, I am aiming to becoming an officer which would help me in my future career of becoming a Psychologist. I would be able to help law enforcement officers because I'll have that background of their everyday duties."

Her journey wouldn't have been possible without the financial help of scholarships she's received from the CCC Foundation.

"Financially, they help me ensure that my classes were being held in advance and pay for bills I couldn't take care of before," Nez said. "Most importantly they help me to not worry about many of my financial needs when taking classes. I am able to concentrate on my college courses."

She's even inspired her husband to take Construction Technology Management classes this semester. She helped him with applying to CCC by getting his high school transcripts, and filling out financial aid documents.

To people who might be considering the leap to college, Nez said, "If your mind is set to accomplishments in education. Putting your education first is setting you up for a better future. CCC is a really great opportunity to getting into school and an education."

#### **Couple receives CCC Distinguished Service Award for 2019**

**F** lagstaff couple Gail and Norm Lowe have been selected as the 2019 recipients of the prestigious Distinguished Service Award at Coconino Community College.

The Lowes were selected for their outstanding contributions to the mission of CCC.

"Gail and Norm exemplify the term 'CCC Champions," said President Colleen A. Smith, PhD. "They dedicate countless hours to helping take the message of the College to the four corners of Coconino County and beyond and to let people know that, they too, can benefit from their community college – whether they're interested in transferring to a university, learning a new job skill, or expanding their horizons. I am truly grateful for their amazing service to the college and our students."

Gail Lowe, a local Certified Public Accountant, is the treasurer of the CCC Foundation, is a current member of CCC Champions, Supporters for a Thriving CCC, and was a founding member of a committee dedicated to launching a Summer Learning program this year. Norm Lowe is a natural resource management consultant. He received his Master's degree in Sustainable Communities from NAU in 2009. He is president of Diablo Trust, a land management forum, and volunteers at Willow Bend Environmental Center. He provided valuable

grant-writing expertise in submitting a grant to the Del E. Webb Foundation that secured a \$1 million grant to renovate the Construction Management shop and classrooms on the Fourth Street Campus. He also designed and helped build, with a crew of volunteers, the CCC Fourth of July Parade float.

Gail Lowe said, "Receiving this award is such a great honor! It has been so rewarding to take advantage of the opportunities presented to me to support CCC as the accessible, quality educational institution and community partner it is. I'm proud of CCC!"

Norm Lowe said, "It's a great reflection of the comradery and community spirit that I share with the CCC administration and other volunteers. I have long supported sustainable building and development in our community and was happy to give a boost to the Construction Management program, which plays a vital role in this effort."

The CCC Distinguished Service Award recognizes outstanding service, leadership and support to the College and to the educational enrichment of Coconino County. Nominees must be a resident of Coconino County at the time of the nomination, and they must have affected or substantially contributed a major accomplishment for the benefit of CCC and to the educational enrichment of district residents.



Gail Lowe left and Norm Lowe right accept the 2019 Distinguished Service Award from DGB Chair Patricia Garcia.

### Wildland firefighter Derek Sausman, with help of Chance Couillard scholarship, works toward Fire Science degree at CCC

Derek Sausman, as a senior crew member wildland firefighter for the Flagstaff Fire Department, worked the lines during the Museum fire that burned just north of the city this summer. His crew fights fires all over the region during fire season.

With a little help from the Chance Couillard Scholarship, he'll attending classes this semester at Coconino Community College to attain a Fire Science Degree in the hope of working building fires instead of forest fires.

"It's just one of those things I've always wanted to do since I was a little kid," Sausman said. "I feel like it's in my blood to do it."

His aunt was a firefighter and paramedic, and she had a heavy influence on him. Additionally, his wife, Danielle, who is also a graduate of CCC, worked as a paramedic for Guardian Medical Transport and as a flight paramedic down in the Yuma area.

"Being able to give back to the community you live in is important," Sausman said. "Flagstaff is my home, and anything I can do to give back, it's something I'd like to do."

He started firefighting when he was 18, and now, at 34, he's looking to advance in his career and work for a municipal fire department fighting structure fires.

In his thank-you letter to the Couillard family for being selected for the scholarship, Sausman wrote, "This scholarship is not only a huge monetary help, but a great honor, as you have chosen me."

The scholarship was created in honor of Chance Couillard, who died by suicide. The family, in an effort to move forward with hope, envisioned the scholarship to help CCC students wishing to be first responders like firefighters and paramedics, who dedicate their lives to helping others. In Chance's last moments, the treatment and care he received by the first responders was a beacon of hope for the Couillard family.

Sausman's wife, Danielle, knew Chance when she was a soccer coach, and she was also a first responder to Chance's home that day.

In his letter, Sausman wrote, "I hope that I can make your family proud by carrying on Chance's spirit and finishing my degree with a 4.0 overall GPA. Knowing that Chance's memory will forever live on in the Flagstaff fire and first responder community through my service, I'll wear him on my heart daily."

The future will include, at some point, a bachelor's degree in Emergency Management, but not right away, Sausman said. He wants to be a firefighter as long as he can manage it.



CCC Fire Science student Derek Sausman is grateful he received the Chance Couillard scholarship to return to school.

# Coconino Community College Foundation **Statements of Financial Position**

as of June 30, 2019 and 2018

		2019 (Unaudited)	2018 (Restated)
ASSETS	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS RESTRICTED CASH	309,045 331,266	439,678
	PREPAID EXPENSES CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE, CURRENT	7,868 332,666	1,000
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	980,845	440,678
	CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE, NET INVESTMENTS, AT MARKET TOTAL ASSETS	330,080 1,476,179 2,787,104	1,224,249 1,664,927
		2,707,104	
LIABILITIES	CCC COLLEGE PAYABLE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEFERRED REVENUE	24,406 3,000	56,553 96,140
	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	27,406	152,693
NET ASSETS	NET ASSETS W/O DONOR RESTRICTIONS NET ASSETS W/ DONOR RESTRICTIONS	649,111	493,385
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	2,110,587 2,759,698	1,018,849
	TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	2,787,104	1,664,927

### Ways to Give

Making a gift to the Coconino Community College Foundation is far more than a simple contribution. Your generosity provides funding for key priorities that will shape the future of our institution and profoundly and positively impact future graduates and the communities and the professions they will serve.

There are many ways to give to the CCC Foundation. See the giving form for more details.

Leave A Legacy The Coconino Community College Foundation Plateau Society is for those who leave a gift through planned giving such as family trusts, wills, insurance policies and other financial instruments.

The mission of the Coconino Community College (CCC) Foundation is to promote the purpose and goals of CCC and to enhance the opportunities of Coconino County residents.

The vision of the CCC Foundation is to be a self-sustaining entity that provides support and leadership through community relations, advocacy and fundraising for CCC.

The CCC Foundation was founded in 1993 under Arizona law as a non-profit corporation. It is fiscally and organizationally separate from the College with its own Board of Directors. Its purpose is to receive private gifts, bequests and donations and to help secure funds or property submitted to the Foundation. The Foundation Board of Directors is composed of selected community leaders from Coconino County.

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