

Annual Report

FOOTHILL-DE ANZA FOUNDATION

2019



CHANGING LIVES, ONE STUDENT AT A TIME



The mission of the Foothill-De Anza Foundation is to change student lives by raising and investing funds to support the educational excellence of Foothill and De Anza colleges. Together, this important work is achieved by our Board of Directors and the Foothill and De Anza College Commissions, which are dedicated to promoting our colleges within the community and engaging in projects, activities and fundraising in direct support of student success.

Executive Director's Welcome

We are pleased to share this year's annual report, which includes the incredible stories of Foothill and De Anza college students and the generous individuals and organizations that support them along their journeys. Thank you for your interest in our work and the students and programs that we proudly support through the contributions of our donors as well as the dedication of our district's faculty and staff.

Our colleges are top academic institutions for degrees, workforce certification, university transfer and community education. The Foothill-De Anza Foundation remains committed to supporting these incredible institutions, improving the lives of all of our students and advancing quality public higher education in Silicon Valley and beyond.

As you read this report, I hope that you find the stories are eye opening, fun and inspiring. I am confident that you will see just how hard our students are working – many in the face of overwhelming obstacles – to achieve their higher education, career and personal goals.

To our donors: **Thank you!** Your commitment to our students, their families and their shared success is inspiring. You are, indeed, making a difference every day!

Finally, it is an honor and a privilege to serve as the new executive director of the Foothill-De Anza Foundation. I look forward to working alongside our dedicated foundation team and board of directors to achieve our mission of changing the lives of students.



Dennis Cima
Executive Director, Foothill-De Anza Foundation



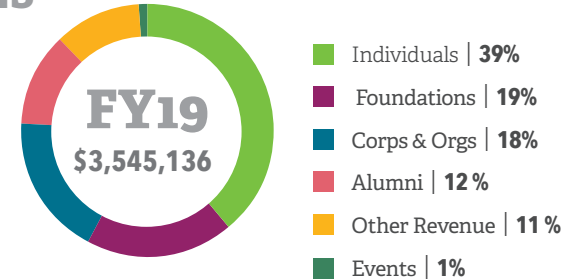
Financials

Each year, supporters contribute not only to our students but to the programs that make Foothill and De Anza colleges distinctive. The Foothill-De Anza Foundation is committed to transparency and accountability, and we work to ensure the greatest educational impact of every donor investment.

The Foundation invests its resources with TIAA Kaspick, a company with more than 25 years experience managing endowments for nonprofit clients. TIAA Kaspick manages over \$5.8 billion and is recognized nationally for the quality of its services.



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AUDITED FINANCIALS



Total Assets: **\$44,449,041**

Educational Program & Scholarship Expenses: **\$5,158,064**

Foothill-De Anza Foundation's FY18 tax return and financial statements are available upon request. Please email us at foundation@fhda.edu to obtain copies.

EOPS Scholars Project Makes Big Impact

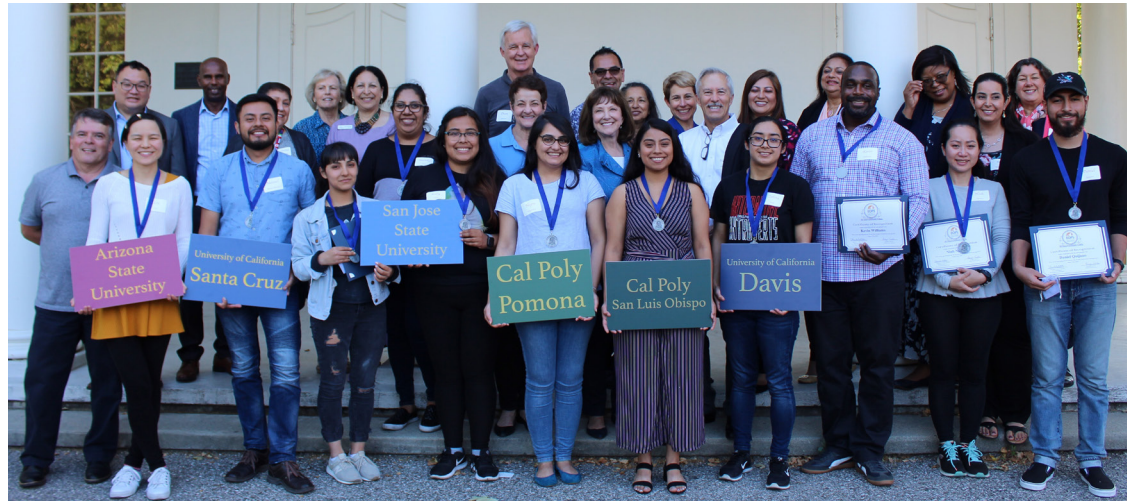
Made possible by the vision of donors Mark and Kathleen Santora, along with many other generous supporters, the EOPS Scholars project at De Anza College provides supplemental academic and financial support to students served by the college's Extended Opportunities Programs and Services (EOPS) office. This unique program has now completed two years and served more than 40 students who have graduated and transferred to four-year universities.



Manny Barrios, De Anza's 2019 commencement speaker, was an EOPS Scholar. A first-generation college student, Barrios plans to become a dentist and one day open a community clinic and resource center for underserved and immigrant families. During his commencement speech, Manny said, "It's the drive to pursue a dream and all the support you get from people who say, 'don't give up,' that makes all the difference."

Because of donors and caring faculty and staff, EOPS Scholars will expand to serve 35 students in the next year. At this year's EOPS Scholars' year-end celebration, Kathleen Santora said, "I have come to realize that when our students have the support, encouragement and resources to succeed, educational dreams can be achieved." To learn more about De Anza's EOPS Scholars project click here: deanza.edu/eops/scholars.

Manny Barrios, De Anza 2019 commencement speaker and EOPS Scholar, transferred to UC Santa Cruz.



Transferring Scholars, donors and campus leaders celebrate student success at end-of-year celebration.

Foothill Service Leadership: Learning Through Helping Others

Foothill College faculty and staff have dedicated themselves throughout the college's history to promoting education developed through leadership in service to the community. Today, under the direction of President Thuy Nguyen, these efforts have evolved into a growing and vibrant Service Leadership program.

Service Leadership educates students inside and outside the classroom with the aim of developing civically active members of our local and global communities. Service Leadership helps students feel more engaged in the college community, give back to their neighbors and experience success at Foothill and beyond. While primarily locally focused, the program incorporates study abroad opportunities that expand students' understanding of the world and allows them to pursue interests and passions with lasting impact—from sustainable agriculture practices, to improving health in developing counties, to climate change research.

Eman Magzoub (pictured left), Foothill's first Presidential Service Leadership Award recipient, transferred to UCLA in fall 2019 and is a prime example of how Service Leadership can enrich a student's journey. "If I were to meet my 16-year-old self, she would not recognize the woman that I am today. I never pictured myself as a leader, but at the end of the day knowing my goal and purpose has paid off," said Eman. To learn more about Foothill's Service Leadership click here: foothill.edu/service-leadership.



25 Students Awarded \$1,000 Scholarships

Celebrating 25 Years of Support

In June 2019, De Anza College celebrated its 25th annual Latinx Graduation & Recognition Ceremony. Members of the De Anza Latinx Association (DALA) organize this special ceremony at the end of every academic year and have awarded hundreds of students thousands of dollars in scholarships from a fund established by ADELA (Amigos de Educación Las Americas). DALA was founded to support and recognize talented members of the Latinx community on campus. What began as a simple recognition ceremony has evolved into a community celebration due in large part to the association's committed volunteers. In honor of the 25th anniversary, DALA raised enough funds this year to award scholarships of \$1,000 each to 25 deserving students.



College Food Pantries Provide Relief to Students

College students at Foothill and De Anza and across the nation report high levels of housing, food and transportation insecurity. According to a recent study of our campuses conducted in fall 2018 as part of the Wisconsin HOPE Lab at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, 52% of Foothill and De Anza students who answered the survey have experienced food and housing insecurity and 16% have experienced homelessness.

Fortunately, both Foothill and De Anza offer access to food pantries on campus thanks to a combination of local partners such as Second Harvest Food Bank and West Valley Community Services, state grants, and private donations from the community. This collaboration has provided students in need with access to nutritional groceries at no cost to them.

Private donations help pay for staff to keep the pantries accessible and the purchase of perishable items such as bread and toiletries including shampoo, soap and detergent. Food pantries are another way that the colleges can help financially struggling students stay in school and succeed while they are here.



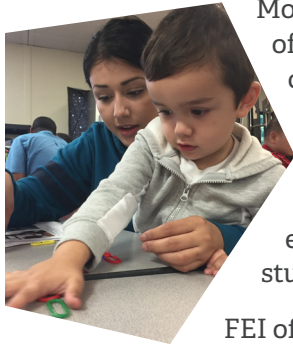
Catalina Rodriguez with the Office of Student Affairs & Activities and student employee Aprille Cabilan run Foothill College's Food Pantry.



Erika Flores with the Office of Outreach & Relations with Schools runs the Food Pantry at De Anza College.

Foothill's Family Engagement Institute Celebrates 10 Years of Building College Readiness

Since 2010, the Family Engagement Institute (FEI) at Foothill College has been a leader in developing and delivering affordable, accessible programs to address the needs and elevate the voices of our underserved communities. At the heart of all FEI programs is the belief that school readiness begins at birth.



More than 40 years of steadily accumulating evidence shows that family engagement is one of the strongest predictors of children's school success. Working together with schools and families, FEI provides opportunities that promote college-going aspirations for underrepresented, primarily first-generation students and their families to collectively ensure thriving and inclusive communities.

"When you include families in the process of accessing and engaging with education, you get better outcomes from students," says FEI's Director Betsy Nikolchev.

FEI offers a variety of effective programs including tuition-free Stretch to Kindergarten classes in the spring and summer to prepare children and their families for a successful transition to kindergarten. FEI also offers parenting courses, professional development for educators and Child Development Summer Academies that give high school students and adults the chance to learn principles of child development and earn college credit while working in partnership with FEI's Stretch to Kindergarten program.

Primarily funded through private grants, FEI's relationship with Foothill has enhanced the college's ability to serve the most vulnerable students in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties.

Since its founding in 2010, FEI has enrolled more than 8,000 parents/caregivers in college bridge courses; provided professional development to over 1,700 educators; prepared more than 950 children to be school-ready; and mentored more than 400 first generation college-bound youth in Silicon Valley. To learn more about FEI click here: foothill.edu/fei.



Donor Spotlight: Paul and Melonie Brophy

Sense of Responsibility to Serve Inspires Support

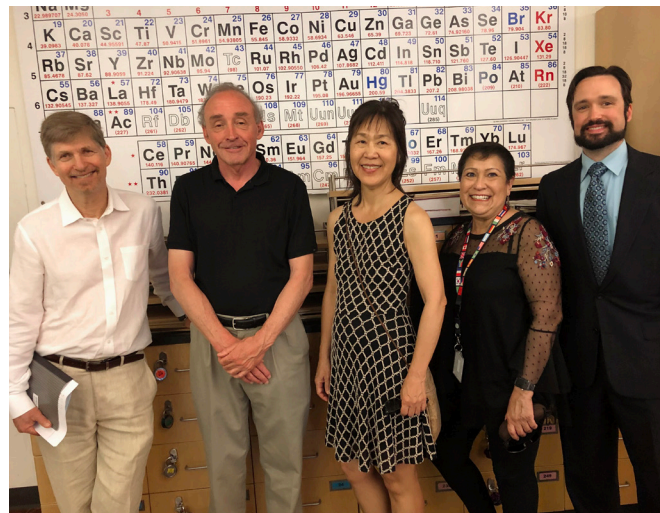
With a smile and sense of pride, donors Paul and Melonie Brophy like to share a story about Paul's mother and the importance of education. Near the end of the Great Depression, Paul's mother wanted to enroll in a state teaching college in New York, which was free at the time. She understood the value of post-secondary education and wanted to be the first in her family to attend college. However, Paul's grandfather would not allow her to go. "So she forged her father's signature," Paul said, clearly proud of his mother's initiative. "She was determined to attend."

Both Paul and Melonie Brophy's parents were active community members, public educators and advocates for giving back, and they passed along their belief in community service to their children. As longtime annual donors to the Foothill-De Anza Foundation, Paul and Melonie know the powerful role our colleges play in shaping students' lives, whether their goal is transferring to a four-year university or entering the workforce. Being able to offer support in a bigger way when they could was a natural step in their philanthropy.

When the time came, the Brophys made a generous multi-year commitment to De Anza College, focusing their support on the chemistry department and the campus food pantry. The Brophys' donation helped De Anza offer six additional chemistry class sections – a 10% increase over the prior year. As a result, more than 140 students were able to take chemistry who would have otherwise been excluded. Their gift also gave the chemistry department greater flexibility in class and lab scheduling in the afternoons so that students with morning and evening classes could better utilize the space and maintain an efficient academic schedule.

The couple recognized that students also have struggles outside of the classroom and directed some of their gift to expand the food pantry's evening hours and its growing number of satellite sites across the campus. With the Brophys' generous support, the college has been able to increase "in-reach" to students in order to build awareness about the pantry's services, and outreach to community partners and grocery stores in the region to improve the pantry's food offerings. The Brophys believe in opening doors for students and know that our colleges are great places for sharing optimism and opportunity.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our students, Paul and Melonie!



Jerry Rosenberg, De Anza Dean of Physical Sciences, Mathematics & Engineering;
Paul & Melonie Brophy; Christina Espinosa-Pieb, De Anza Interim President;
Erik Woodbury, De Anza Chemistry Instructor & Department Chair

Stanford Graduate Comes to Foothill College to Find Her Passion



Dr. Ann Wimmer is an acupuncturist and chiropractor in the Bay Area, but her regular clients are not quite who one might imagine. As a specialized veterinarian, Wimmer tends specifically to horses and their many needs. “I make nice horses feel better for nice people,” she explains. As so often happens in life, Wimmer’s career trajectory was hardly ever linear or predictable.

Wimmer was born in Michigan, and her family settled in Los Gatos when she was 10 years old. She went on to graduate from Stanford University with a degree in linguistics. After a couple of jobs in various industries, Wimmer decided that it was time to pursue the career of her dreams.

Consequently, Wimmer attended Foothill College in 2000 to obtain the prerequisite credits for veterinary school. Four years later, she went off to attend the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California, Davis.

For the next 10 years, Wimmer worked as a “large practice” vet treating horses, sheep, pigs, goats, llamas, and alpacas. A decade of getting kicked around by large animals convinced her to transition into a calmer practice.

By 2017, Wimmer was working as a specialized veterinarian, mainly with horses, providing acupuncture and chiropractic services. These specialized services aim to alleviate soreness and discomfort for growing young horses as well as horses tired out by riding lessons. They also serve to keep old horses comfortable beyond their working years.

Wimmer says she couldn’t have reached the career of her dreams without the help of Foothill College. Today, she not only remembers the excellent teaching at Foothill but says that for students who take their classes seriously and do the required work, it is comparable to a private school education. *(Continued on next page)*

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Among the instructors and classes at Foothill that had the greatest impact on Wimmer are Dr. Kathleen Armstrong and her organic chemistry class, a rigorous subject that many students dread. It was in this class that Wimmer learned to “stay in the middle of the problem,” which means to stay focused and not give up. Years later, she still applies this problem-solving technique in the field when she struggles to help an animal. The technique helps her stay calm in critical times until she can determine the best method of care.

“There is something truly satisfying about being able to assess a problem and know what to do about it and have the equipment and skills to actually do it,” Wimmer says.

Wimmer is most proud of how well she communicates with her clients and manages challenging cases.

Her advice to students wanting to follow a similar career path is to simply start now even though it might seem daunting at first. She wholeheartedly encourages everyone to take a leap of faith.

When asked what she would do if she had \$100,000 to donate to Foothill, Wimmer replies she would pay it forward by funding scholarships for students in Dr. Armstrong’s chemistry classes. She also would donate money directly to professors to support great teaching and encourage them to keep inspiring generations of Foothill College students.

“Education is for improving the lives of others and leaving your community and world better than you found it.”

~Marian Wright Edelman

Kathleen Armstrong wins Teacher-Scholar Award

Wimmer’s mentor, Foothill College chemistry instructor Kathleen Armstrong, was recently awarded the Teacher-Scholar Award by the Silicon Valley Chapter of the American Chemical Society. This prestigious honor recognizes outstanding contributions by community college chemistry faculty.

Check out the full article on Dr. Armstrong and her award [here](#).



Former San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzales Is Thankful for His Experience at De Anza College

Ron Gonzales is a proud De Anza College alum who credits the college with giving him a high-quality and affordable education in an environment where he felt supported and challenged.

His experiences at De Anza College, both in and out of the classroom, convinced Ron that he had what it took to be successful and transfer to UC Santa Cruz, where he earned a bachelor's degree. Before leaving De Anza, Ron was awarded the district's prestigious Trustees Scholarship funded by current and past members of the district's governing board.

Ron fondly remembers his involvement in student government at De Anza and the many friends he made on campus. His De Anza experience helped lay the foundation for his work in the private sector at companies like Hewlett-Packard and for his distinguished career in the public sector, which included service on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, the Sunnyvale City Council and, most notably, as mayor of the city of San Jose.

He currently serves as CEO of the Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley, where he continues to be a champion for students, families and public education.

If you would like to learn more about Ron Gonzales' De Anza College experience, click [here](#) to view our short video.



KCI Becomes District Program



Since 2000, the Krause Center for Innovation (KCI) has provided intensive professional learning opportunities for K-14 educators from around the Bay Area. At the KCI, teachers learn how to integrate technology into the classroom and teach in effective and engaging ways for any grade, including in specialized subjects such as math, science, computer science, and managing a “makerspace.”

KCI has built its reputation on immersive, interactive learning institutes for educators as well as programs and courses it

provides throughout the year. Since it began, more than 20,000 educators have come to the KCI at Foothill College to update their teaching skills and develop new ways to transform their classroom practices, particularly in STEM. KCI's new Makerspace is an incredible hands-on environment that is now open to the community. The KCI Makerspace provides resources for people of all ages to design, build and manufacture items using state-of-the-art computer-aided design and manufacturing tools.

Recently, the Krause Center for Innovation expanded its programming beyond Foothill College to include De Anza College and its surrounding communities, a natural progression for a regional asset. The KCI is developing new partnerships with De Anza Community Education and has expanded its youth offerings to reach high school students through the De Anza College Academy.

The program expansion is occurring with the support and encouragement of Judy C. Miner, chancellor of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District. “I deeply appreciate the collaboration between President Thuy Nguyen of Foothill College and Interim President Christina Espinosa-Pieb of De Anza College that led to De Anza’s interest in leveraging the expertise and energy of the KCI as part of its robust outreach plan,” Miner said. “An excellent rapport has already been established between the KCI and De Anza Community Education, so I predict that there will be exciting new programs flourishing in short order.”

Largely self-sustaining, KCI relies on funding from grants and donations and conducting customized professional development programs for school districts. The Krause Center for Innovation is a valuable asset to the K-14 community and unique in the community college system. To learn more about the KCI and its K-14 and community programs, click here: krauseinnovationcenter.org.

Bill & Gay Krause

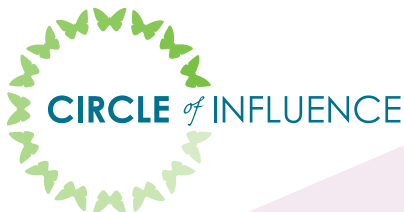
Long-time donors to the Foothill-De Anza Foundation, Bill and Gay Krause are leading Silicon Valley philanthropists and two of the district’s strongest allies. Gay Krause, a visionary leader with deep roots in the classroom and community, is founder and executive director of the Krause Center for Innovation at Foothill College. Gay understands that today’s teachers are molding the next generation of engineers, web designers and entrepreneurs who will become tomorrow’s leaders. Through her tireless leadership and devotion to teachers and students, KCI has become a premier research-based learning program for a large and growing community of educators. Gay’s involvement doesn’t stop with KCI. She also serves on the Foothill-De Anza Foundation Board of Directors and has been a long-standing member of the foundation’s Finance Committee. Because of the Krause family’s generosity, the KCI continues to evolve and expand professional learning opportunities for educators who in turn use the knowledge they gain to engage tens of thousands of Silicon Valley students in deeper learning.



Thanks for Your Support

The Foothill-De Anza Foundation proudly recognizes contributions from our community. The success of our students is made possible because of you, our most generous donors, and by our excellent educational programs, student support services, caring staff and outstanding faculty. This list recognizes our donors who have given \$100 or more between July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Great care has been taken in the preparation of this list, but if errors or omissions are found, please call us at 650.494.6230.



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~ Matthew, Foothill

"Because of your continued support, my family and I are able to persevere through this difficult time in our lives in order to achieve my goal to become a respiratory therapist to help children, like my daughter, who have breathing issues."

~Jesus, Foothill

"Your contributions have helped me purchase books, school supplies, food and gas that help me get through school. I really appreciate your generosity because it is people like you that help the future generation become the leaders of tomorrow."

~ Kelly, De Anza

"Thank you for your generosity. I will keep striving to be a better person, and I look forward to being able to give back to the community like you."

~ Ariana, Foothill

"I am the first in my family to attend college and also the first to become a nurse. My educational goals would not be possible without your kind and generous support."

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"With this scholarship, I am able to focus more on school and less on my financial hardships. I promise to do my best, and in the future, I hope to give back to the community, too."

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"I cannot express in words what it means to me that you would help support my dreams after so many challenges to get here."

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