As we close the books on another fiscal year at the Foundation, we reflect back on the support the Foundation was fortunate enough to provide to students at Kishwaukee College. The support would not be possible without the vision of the Board, the help of faculty and staff, and most importantly, the generosity of our donors. We extend a heartfelt thank you!

COVID-19 Student Relief Fund Update

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, the Foundation stepped in without hesitation with $50,000 to support COVID-19 Student Relief Scholarships. The Fund quickly grew to over $75,000 through the generosity of many. Student Ahmed Elkaki is one of the scholarship recipients.

"I would like to express my gratitude for being a recipient of the COVID-19 Student Relief Fund. Through this scholarship, I will be able to continue to pursue my dream of becoming an engineer. Kishwaukee College has continued to offer great support, financially and emotionally, throughout this pandemic. Moreover, during my first year at Kish I have been able to get a high level of assistance from all the staff and faculty members. Opportunities like these that are, offered at Kishwaukee College, is what makes us unique!"

- Ahmed Elfaki, Major: Associate in Science with an emphasis in Engineering.
New Scholarship Funds

Over the last several months, the Kishwaukee College Foundation has secured fund agreements that have resulted in two new scholarships to support Kishwaukee College students.

The Law Enforcement Emergency Medical Services Scholarship is designated for the EMS program, with preference given to a current police officer enrolled in the Emergency Medical Technician course. Donor Joe Przybyla, is an instructor in the Criminal Justice and EMS programs and current police officer.

The Forging Foundation Scholarship supports students in manufacturing and industrial programs and is a result of a newly formed partnership with the Forging Industry Foundation. According to the Forging Industry Association, “Forging is a manufacturing process where metal is pressed, pounded or squeezed under great pressure into high strength parts known as forgings.” Forgings are commonly found in airplanes, tractors, and automobiles.

Learn more.

eSports added to Kish Sports
This Fall Kish will add a co-ed eSports team to its Intercollegiate Athletic Programs. eSports is a form of sport competition using video games and often takes the form of organized, multiplayer competitions. Kish will be one of the seven community colleges in the State offering this athletic program. The Foundation is pleased to provide financial support for the renovation and outfitting of the new competition space.

Student Thank You

“When I applied for this scholarship, I remember feeling very overwhelmed with school and life and hoping some motivation would come back to me. This scholarship gives me that boost, that reassurance that this is for me and I am more than capable of making my goal a reality.”

- Glorie O’Connell, Spring 2020 Rollan Bonneau Memorial Endowment award recipient. Major: Diesel Power Technology

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