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Montcalm Community College Foundation (MCCF) works cooperatively with the college to envision brighter futures and develop funding to create enhanced opportunities for all in the surrounding area.

MCCF is pleased to offer a variety of scholarships for students across a wide curricular area. As of fall 2019, more than \$360,000 in scholarships and aid were offered through the foundations. These endowed scholarships are awarded and celebrated at the Annual Scholarship Celebration held in the fall.

MCCF assists with funding much needed equipment and equipment updates for many programs across both the Sidney and Greenville campuses. Some recent purchases include a robotics trailer that can visit local schools for students to get a hands-on idea of what robotics are, as well as specialized microscopes and animal models for the biology program.

In addition, MCCF promotes and supports cultural activities for all in our area. Some examples of recently supported cultural events include the Ash Lectureship Series, the Stratford Shakespearian bus trip, the Art Prize Bus Trip, the Chicago Art Bus Trip, and the One Book One County Program. MCCF also promotes global and cultural education programming opportunities through overseas student and faculty trips. Building on the success of past trips to China and India, in 2020, students and community members will have the opportunity to travel to England and France.

Montcalm Community College Foundation is proud to be a partner with Montcalm Community College in continuing to look forward to creating the best tomorrows for all—students, staff and community members.

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Children and adults face hunger in every community across the country. Your neighbor, child's classmate or even coworker may be struggling to get enough to eat. MCC staff reported hearing more stories from students and staff about their lack of food resources. MCC Dean of Student and Enrollment Services Debra Alexander worked collaboratively with MCC staff to create an in-house food pantry called the MCC Food Source (or "The Source") for MCC students. The Source opened in spring 2019 with the goal of providing current MCC students

with nutritious food items while classes are in session. Its usage is increasing. As of early October, The Source has had 61 uses by 34 students total, with 52 uses by 26 students taking place this fall semester alone. When students order from The Source, staff package food items to meet short-term food needs. Staff also provide 2-1-1 referral service information. This fall, the MCC Foundation agreed to be the nonprofit sponsoring organization, enabling the college to access low cost products through Feeding America West

Michigan. The Source is one of four such community college urgent food provision services in Michigan. Future plans include expanding offerings to non-food items.



