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Dear friend of MCC,

Manchester Community College educates more than 4,000 students every year, including all traditional academic credit enrollees, early college students in local high schools, and our career credit students in our Corporate and Community Education Center.

There are two critical areas that we hope will resonate with you in support of these students. The first is the college's *Momentum Scholarship Program*, which supports students in full-time study (12 or more credits) to speed up successful completion before unforeseen life circumstances prevent them from earning an MCC credential. Gifts from Granite Edvance and from our 80th anniversary celebration have launched that initiative, and we are now working to replenish some of those targeted funds. I anticipate that our 2027 graduation metrics will bear witness to the value of this investment in student completion.

The second area relates to staffing in our Accessibility Office. At the present time, we have one counselor with a caseload of 200 students. I am seeking funds to hire a part-time person to assist her in meeting the learning needs of the increasing number of students who come to us seeking academic support as they, too, seek credential and dream attainment. The recent gift of a local corporation has "jump-started" that commitment.

A gift through the Foundation for NH Community College (MCC giving page) with a designation of either *Momentum Scholarships* or *Most Pressing Needs* at MCC will allow us to draw funds earmarked for either of these student success initiatives.

The amount of any gift to the college does not matter but serves as a testament from the Manchester community that our transformational work with students is valued by everyone in our region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Beaudin, PhD
President