

# SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE

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*Land O’Frost and the VanEkeren family recently awarded six new scholarships to South Suburban College students at the SSC Foundation’s 2019 Academic Achievement Reception on May 7<sup>th</sup> (Peggy Szumski, Land O’Frost Director of Human Resources, pictured at middle with recipients Marie Padonu, Robert Williams, Qiana Clay and Sanquelle Sanders at SSC).*

## SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE AWARDS OVER \$100,000 IN STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL –The South Suburban College Foundation (SSCF) once again awarded over \$100,000 in scholarship funds for Academic Year 2020 to local students at the college’s annual Academic Achievement Reception in May. In doing so, the SSC Foundation surpassed the \$2.1 million in total scholarships since it began awarding them in 1989.

“It is an honor to serve on this board and to be able to assist so many deserving students to begin and continue their college dreams,” said Tim Woloszyn of Fifth Third Bank, and SSC Foundation President. “Thank you to all of the donors – SSC employees, alumni, members of our community and Foundation directors – who have generously supported these scholarship programs so that we can help residents in our community to improve their lives through higher education.” Woloszyn and his wife Christy themselves established the Delainey Belle Memorial Fund during the Foundation’s donor drive last fall in honor of their daughter, which raised over \$6,000 in total for SSC students pursuing a Nursing Degree or related field.

Whether the recipient is a high school graduate, an unemployed resident looking for a career change, or a single parent pursuing their college degree for the first time, the SSCF offers scholarship assistance to all students in need. Many are struggling to balance family, employment, and school responsibilities while they are often unable to receive Financial Aid.

Scholarship money is raised primarily through the annual spring Showcase Gala and fall Scholarship Donor Drive providing both a charitable gift opportunity and tax-deduction for all donors.

Woloszyn added that the SSC Foundation has further assisted the college with nearly \$1 million in other special student projects, facility and technology improvements that are otherwise not in the college budget.

Making a donation can be an easy and affordable way to leave a lasting legacy—the SSCF staff works cooperatively with individuals and organizations to develop a donor plan of any level. New scholarships may also be established with naming rights or in memorial for a minimum of just \$1,000. Donations may be made online from [www.ssc.edu/foundation](http://www.ssc.edu/foundation), via PayPal to [foundation@ssc.edu](mailto:foundation@ssc.edu), or via cash, credit card, check or bequest.

At SSC, 90% of students fall under the low income, first generation or disabled criteria. Established in 1973, the SSCF is a philanthropic, not-for-profit organization chartered in the State of Illinois and is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization (EIN: 237191738). For more information, please contact the Foundation Office at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2463 or [foundation@ssc.edu](mailto:foundation@ssc.edu).

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