2015 Annual Report

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To Family and Friends of Big Bend Community College:

Big Bend Community College continues to serve as an important resource for your community. Our faculty and staff members ensure excellence in teaching and learning, employers partner with us to provide high-quality educational experiences, and donors invest in students’ futures. In the pages that follow, you will see evidence of the value that BBCC adds to communities and individuals within its service district and beyond like these selected examples:

- Two new and innovative programs in Medical Simulation Technology and Unmanned Aerial Systems, both of which are unique within our state.
- BBCC’s return to Achieving the Dream, which will support our institutional efforts to improve student success rates.
- Our return to the top of the state standings as measured by the Student Achievement Initiative.
- Community engagement activities that have led to campus improvements.
- Stories about the transformative value of BBCC on students and those individuals who helped students transform their lives.
- The many charitable gifts of equipment and cash donations in support of our programs and students.

Big Bend Community College enjoys generous backing from our employees, students, and supporters because they understand the positive value BBCC adds to local lives. This annual report describes many of the past year’s achievements that distinguish BBCC for excellence in teaching, learning, and in service to others. Thank you for your continued interest and investment in public higher education!

Sincerely,

Dr. Terrence Leas
President, Big Bend Community College.

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About Big Bend Community College

Big Bend Community College was founded in 1962 and serves a 4,600-square-mile service district, including all of Grant and Adams counties and a portion of Lincoln County. The campus is on 154 acres adjacent to Grant County International Airport north of Moses Lake. The service district population of 110,000 lives in 15 primary communities. BBCC has FTE enrollment of approximately 2,100 and an annual student head count of approximately 4,000. BBCC is a comprehensive community college with programs for academic transfer, professional/technical, and developmental education. More than 70 percent of BBCC students receive need-based financial aid. The College is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Schools and Colleges and is a Hispanic Serving Institution as defined by Title V.

Service District No. 18

Mission
Big Bend Community College
delivers lifelong learning through
commitment to student success,
excellence in teaching and learning,
and community engagement.

Vision
Big Bend Community College
inspires every student to be
successful.

Values
• Student Success
• Excellence in Teaching & Learning
• Inclusion
• Community Engagement
• Integrity & Stewardship
439 graduates

- Oldest is 62, youngest is 17

2015 Graduates by Gender:
Female - 60%
Male - 40%

2015 Degrees Awarded
- General Studies: 24
- Business Transfer: 16
- Pre-Nursing Transfer: 7
- Associate in Science: 8

2015 Graduates:
- Transfer to another college
- Professional / Technical in workforce

- From 54 towns and cities in Washington State
- From 8 states outside Washington State and Japan
- 73 Running Start students earned a high school diploma and associate degree at BBCC in two years.

*Some graduates earn more than one degree

Student Success
Seven college students who overcame barriers and transformed their lives through education were honored February 25 at Big Bend Community College.

“The students’ life stories are a testament to the power of education,” said Trustee Stephen McFadden. “Trustees think recognizing all of them is right.”

In recent years trustees have had difficulty naming a “winner” for the Transforming Lives Award. The personal stories of the nominees are so compelling that trustees struggled to pick one over the rest to represent BBCC at a recognition event in Olympia.

Trustees decided last year to host a dinner to recognize all the BBCC nominees in front of their family, friends, and BBCC faculty.

Some of the nominees are the first in their family to graduate from high school and to attend college. Others overcame a troubled past and used education and the support they received at BBCC to transform their lives.

The students were honored in front of BBCC’s highest ranking officials, including trustees, president, vice presidents, and deans. The college produced poster-size photos of each recipient to post in buildings on campus.

“College seemed like a dream,” said Lupe Campos, who graduated from BBCC and is now attending Central Washington University. “Coming from a migrant family, we moved a lot.”

The keynote speaker was Diana Villafana, Student Success Coordinator at BBCC. She grew up in Royal City and came from a household that spoke only Spanish. After marriage and children, she “went against not only my family, but my culture” when she decided to pursue a college degree. She completed a bachelor’s degree in social work in 2012 and was recently promoted to Coordinator of the Student Success Center.

“My biggest accomplishment is breaking the typical education cycle that most Latinas fall into,” said Villafana. Her oldest daughter earned a bachelor’s degree last year, and her second daughter is a Running Start student at BBCC who will graduate this year.

“Now I can truly say education has transformed my life,” she said.
Stories of success

Student Success
Big Bend Community College student Gabriela Oliva received the 2015 Heroes for Life award from the Inland Northwest Blood Center.

Oliva spearheaded the Cesar E. Chavez Blood Drive at BBCC for two years as President of BBCC’s M.E.Ch.A. Club. The project increased awareness in the Hispanic/Latino community about donating blood and participating in the bone marrow registry.

The blood drive resulted in blood donations of 46 pints in 2014 and 44 pints in 2015. In 2014, 60 percent of the blood donors were Hispanic/Latino. In 2015, 75 percent of the donors were Hispanic/Latino.

“The number of Hispanics on the bone marrow registry is smaller relative to other ethnic groups,” Oliva said. “The registry is used to find matches for patients who need bone marrow transplants.”

Oliva graduated from BBCC in 2015 and transferred to Washington State University. She was accepted to universities as an honor graduate from Lind/Ritzville High School, but she enrolled at BBCC because she was undecided about her major.

“I am thinking about studying pharmacy, or a related medical or health care field,” she said. “The TRiO Program at BBCC has helped me put together a plan for transferring to a university.”

Among her five siblings is a sister, Griselda Valencia, who this spring was accepted to BBCC’s Associate Degree Nursing Program.

They are both on track to be the first in their family to earn a college degree.

“Education will be our way out of poverty,” Oliva said.

“The TRiO Program at BBCC has helped me put together a plan for transferring to a university.”
Tabatha DeLong didn’t like school, didn’t do well in school, and seemed to fall into college by accident. Today she is working with cutting-edge technology in a career field she didn’t know existed a few years ago.

“School was something I legally had to do,” said DeLong. “I graduated from high school with no idea of what I wanted to do with the rest of my life.”

After spending the summer of 2011 applying for jobs with no success, she enrolled in business classes at Big Bend Community College.

“I was a year into my degree when I learned Big Bend was restarting its computer science program,” she said. “In high school I had always been the person people called to fix their computers. I had never thought much of it.”

By the end of her first quarter in computer science she was hooked. The teachers were engaging. The opportunities were overwhelming.

“Before I knew it, graduation was right around the corner.” She graduated with honors, earning an Associate’s Degree in Systems Administration in 2014.

One of the graduation requirements was to complete an internship. She found one with the BBCC Nursing Department that set her on a career path.

DeLong has helped the nursing program implement simulation technology within the program’s curriculum. The nursing department already possessed some advanced patient simulators, but lacked a person who could maintain, program, and repair them.

A one-quarter internship turned into three quarters. DeLong was asked to continue working for the nursing department after she graduated from BBCC. The college sent her to a Simulation User Networking conference to help her better understand the technology she worked with every day.

DeLong is working on her bachelor’s degree at Central Washington University. She remains indispensable in helping BBCC instructors use simulation technology to prepare students for clinical settings.

BBCC plans to start a simulator technician training program. DeLong hopes to earn a bachelor’s degree and be in position to help the college organize and manage the new program.

Recognized by community college trustees, DeLong was honored in Olympia in January of 2015 as BBCC’s Transforming Lives Award nominee.

Tabatha DeLong was honored in Olympia in January of 2015 as BBCC’s Transforming Lives Award nominee recognized by community college trustees.
A Japanese graduate of Big Bend Community College’s Aviation Maintenance Program has returned to the Pacific Northwest with his family to take on a new job with NIPPI Corp.

Jun Saito’s business card reads “FAA Certified A&P Mechanic.” He earned the FAA certificates at BBCC in 2003, and the credentials have transformed his life. FAA certificates are an international standard that have taken Saito a long way in the aerospace industry.

Saito was recently promoted to General Manager of the International Contract Administration, Aerospace Division, for NIPPI Corp. He received letters of recommendation from Boeing officials in support of his work visa. He will have offices in Everett and Kirkland.

NIPPI manufactures components for Boeing planes, including wing ribs for the B767 and B777, main landing gear doors and outboard flaps for the B747, and nose landing gear doors for the B777.

Saito is responsible for emergency orders and change orders for NIPPI’s business with Boeing. He manages engineers, overseas contracts, and is the liaison between NIPPI and its U.S. customer base. He is “technically in sales.”

He has accomplished all this with the FAA certificates he earned at BBCC, and a BA in Sociology he earned in Japan.

“Many of my contacts in aerospace know I earned my certificates at Big Bend, and sometimes I meet other Big Bend graduates,” Saito said.

Saito’s Big Bend airframe and powerplant instructors remember having to tell Saito to “slow down” when he was a student. He was learning English and a new curriculum at the same time.

“He would stay up all night studying and had a hard time staying awake in class,” said Eric Borg, an instructor in BBCC’s Aviation Maintenance Technology Program.

He and his wife, Mariko, also a BBCC graduate, are excited about a four-year assignment in the U.S. They visited Moses Lake in April after house shopping in Redmond and checking out the elementary schools for their children.

Mariko Saito (Tsuruzoe) graduated from BBCC 10 years ago. She is now a stay-at-home mom with son Sho and daughter Akari.

When asked if they like their new Puget Sound surroundings, Mariko says “Yes, but we like Moses Lake better.” They enjoy the weather, the slower pace, the lake, and friends they have in Moses Lake.
Linda Schoonmaker was hired in 2015 as Vice President for Finance and Administration at Big Bend Community College. Schoonmaker was Vice President for Finance and Administration at Clover Park Technical College near Tacoma before accepting the position at Big Bend. She also has served as Director of Accounting Services for the Washington State Board of Community and Technical Colleges in Olympia.

Schoonmaker replaces Gail Hamburg, who retired in June after 16 years at BBCC.

Schoonmaker served as a state auditor in Washington and a tax auditor in Oregon. She also served as administrative services manager for the Washington Financial Services Administration. She is a Washington certified public accountant.

Schoonmaker holds a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration and Accounting from the University of North Carolina and a Master’s of Business Administration from the University of Washington.

“Linda understands the state’s community college system better than anyone we interviewed for the position,” said BBCC President Terry Leas. “She is an acknowledged expert in Washington two-year college finances, and we will need her expertise as we confront the challenges that lie ahead.”

One of Schoonmaker’s responsibilities will be to ensure the Professional Technical Education Center (PTEC) project moves forward. Big Bend is first on the capital projects list to receive pre-design money for a $35 million building that will be the largest capital project in BBCC’s history.

“Linda has familiarity with our state’s capital project system and processes that will be very beneficial to the college’s efforts to construct needed facilities for our professional/technical programs.”

Daneen Berry-Guerin was promoted in 2015 to Dean of Workforce Education at Big Bend Community College.

Berry-Guerin was a Business and Business Information Management instructor at BBCC since 2005. She replaces Clyde Rasmussen, who retired in June after nine years in the position.

The new dean has a leadership role in planning for a new $35 million Professional Technical Education Center (PTEC). Design funds for PTEC are included in the state’s budget for community college capital projects. It will be the largest capital project in the college’s history.

Berry-Guerin has 14 years of teaching experience in workforce education at the community college level. She earned a Bachelor’s in Accounting and Business Management from Eastern Washington University, a Bachelor’s in Business Education from EWU, and a Master’s in Business Administration (Business Management) from American InterContinental University.
Mike Blakely of Quincy was honored with Trustee Emeritus status by the trustees of Big Bend Community College on August 6, 2015.

“One of the reasons Big Bend has received so much state, regional, and national recognition in recent years is because Mike, as a trustee, encouraged the college family to write and submit the recommendations for the awards,” said Terry Leas, BBCC President.

“He recognized excellence at Big Bend and took the position that we should be proud of it and spread the word. He didn’t miss an opportunity to brag about BBCC students and staff.”

A Grant County resident for more than 40 years, Blakely has ties to Future Farmers of America, the Quincy Leadership Roundtable, the Columbia Basin Sheep Producers, the state Agriculture Education Task Force, and many other organizations.

Blakely served as a trustee from 2004 to 2014 with perfect meeting attendance. He was board chair and vice chair twice in 10 years. He received the 2014 Trustee Leadership Award from the state Trustees Association of Community and Technical Colleges in 2014, and received the Pacific Region Trusteeship Leadership Award the same year from the national Association of Community and Technical Colleges.

Blakely served on the Presidential Search Committee in 2012 after BBCC’s president of 17 years retired. He led efforts to name BBCC buildings for longtime trustee, foundation board member, and supporter Paul Hirai (art building) and for retired president Bill Bonaudi (library building).

It was common for Blakely to personally reach out to students in Quincy—especially low-income and minority students—and bring them to campus to introduce them to student services staff. He wrote many scholarship recommendation letters for students, and he checked on their progress.

When a generous donor started a fund to help students deal with short-term financial emergencies, nobody understood the concept better than Blakely. He established a relationship with the donor and personally directed students to the emergency assistance that kept them in school.

“Mike is an intuitive thinker who was relentless in his efforts to ensure BBCC accomplishes its goals and mission,” said Jon Lane, BBCC Trustee.

Jeremy Iverson was promoted in 2015 to Director of Financial Aid for Big Bend Community College.

Iverson previously served as BBCC’s Assistant Director of Financial Aid, and as a financial aid advisor. He replaced Jille Shankar, who retired in July.

Iverson has a Bachelor’s of Science Degree from Eastern Oregon University. He has worked at BBCC for 10 years.

Iverson Named Director of Financial Aid

Blakely is BBCC’s newest Trustee Emeritus
BBCC faculty recognize outstanding students for 2015

Nursing, Level 1: Chelsea May, East Wenatchee
Nursing, Level 2: Kristina Hallberg, Moses Lake
Medical Assistant Program: Sara Humphrey, Moses Lake
Developmental Education: Carla Christie, Thorp
Computer Science: Sharayah Jarvis, Moses Lake
Aviation Maintenance Technology, first year: Joshua Oord, Moses Lake
Aviation Maintenance Technology, second year: Dylan Crow, Wilbur
English: Zach Kellams, Soap Lake
French: Levi Hare, of Moses Lake
Math: Haley Perez, Moses Lake
Biology: Jefferson Mark Roylance, Quincy
Chemistry: Isreal Hernandez, Othello
Physics: Mariah Klindworth, Moses Lake
Accounting Technician: Cristina Garcia Barbosa, Quincy
Accounting Transfer: Haley Perez, Moses Lake
Business/Economics: Justin Van Ess, Ephrata
Music: Rachel Kibukevich, Moses Lake
Automotive Technology, first year: Mauro Osorio-Santiago, Quincy
Automotive Technology, second year: Gavin Clark, Moses Lake

2015 Outstanding Students (selected by BBCC faculty)

BBCC faculty recognize outstanding students for 2015

The faculty’s awards for the top students of Big Bend Community College during 2014-15 were announced at a ceremony in Wallenstien Theater on May 27, 2015. Athletic awards also were announced.

The students’ picks for top faculty of the year went to BBCC Commercial Pilot instructor John Gillespie for Full-time Faculty of the Year and to College Success instructor Jerry Workman for Part-time Instructor of the Year. Those awards are made by the Associated Student Body after reviewing nominations from students.

Vikings 2015 Athletic Awards

Men’s basketball MVP: Donavin Wright, Las Vegas, NV
Men’s basketball outstanding freshman: Mogga Lado, Nampa, ID
Women’s basketball MVP: Aubrie Vale, Burley, ID
Women’s basketball, most inspirational: Elizabeth Larrew, Hunters
Softball outstanding student athlete: Brinley Miller, Twin Falls, ID
Softball MVP: Tiffany King Phillips, Visalia, CA
Volleyball MVP: Shania Bateman, Bloomington, ID
Volleyball most inspirational: Brooke Bowers, Burley, ID
Baseball total player award: Kyle Kilian, Prosser
Baseball total player award: Ben Smithson, Peshastin

Excellence in Teaching and Learning
BBCC’s Rho Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa brought home top awards at the Greater Northwest Region 2015 awards for Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) March 21, 2015 in Seattle.

PTK is the international honor society for community and technical colleges.

Rho Zeta Chapter received first place in the DiBraun Fine Arts Award and the Yearbook Award. Rho Zeta Chapter also was recognized as the Most Congenial Chapter at the regional conference.

Other awards received by BBCC’s Rho Zeta Chapter include:
• Distinguished Chapter Member, First Place: Melinda Dourte
• Continued Excellence Award for PTK Advisors, First Place: Barbara Whitney (BBCC Math instructor)
• Honors in Action Theme 7: First Place
• Distinguished Chapter: Third Place
• Honors in Action: Third Place
• Five Star Chapter Plan: Five Star Level

Rho Zeta Chapter members of honor society Phi Theta Kappa show off some of the awards they received when they attended a regional conference in Seattle March 21. Left to right: Jalen Garza, Zhane Serrano, David Swenson, Melinda Dourte, Isaac Garcia, Barb Whitney (faculty advisor), and April Suarez.
Three Big Bend Community College nominees for state awards were recognized in Spokane during the Trustees Association of Community and Technical Colleges (TACTC) spring meeting on May 14, 2015.

The awardees include: Samaritan Healthcare, Partner of the Year; Dr. Ryann Leonard, Faculty Member Award; and Terry Kinzel, Equity Award.

“Last year BBCC had two nominees who received awards at the state level (Trustee Mike Blakely, Trustee Leadership Award; and Custodio Valencia, Equity),” Leas said.

“We were stunned that BBCC could garner two TACTC awards in one year and never imagined that three nominees would earn awards this year,” Leas said. “This news is affirmation of the high-quality, wonderful people who work at and with BBCC.”

BBCC is one of 34 colleges in the state’s community and technical college system.

Samaritan Healthcare was honored by the college recently for its essential, long-term support of BBCC’s nursing program. The college cast a bronze to hang in the ATEC building in recognition of $700,000 in support from Samaritan Healthcare during the period 2001-2014.

Dr. Leonard is a criminal justice instructor at BBCC who has worked with local law enforcement and firefighters to stage the Community Partnership Against Substance Abuse for the past nine years. It is a public education event that features mock car crashes, simulated impaired driving, and speakers who tell how drug-related crimes are investigated.

Kinzel is BBCC’s Title V Grant Coordinator. She has authored 17 successful grant applications totaling $17.25 million on behalf of BBCC in the last eight years. Her work supports BBCC’s evolution to online learning, its technology infrastructure and capacity, and remodeling and expanding campus buildings to provide space for new student service programs.

Excellence in Teaching and Learning
Two Big Bend Community College students on very different paths were selected to the 2015 All-Washington Academic Team, an honor that recognizes academic achievement, leadership, work experience, and community service.

BBCC students John Johnson and Kevin Herbert were recognized as all-state scholars during a reception in Olympia on March 26. Gov. Jay Inslee, legislators (including Rep. Tom Dent of Moses Lake,) and college presidents attended.

“We are excited to showcase before lawmakers and media our brightest and best students—many of whom have overcome great obstacles,” said BBCC President Terry Leas.

BBCC’s All-Washington students also are nominated for the All-USA Community and Junior College Academic Team.

John Johnson is a 32-year-old Arizona transplant who earned a GED from Dixie State College in Utah before coming to Big Bend Community College. He ran a cheese plant in Arizona. He has a 3.94 GPA at Big Bend. He will transfer to Washington State University to major in food science. He already has completed cheesemaking short courses at WSU.

Herbert came to BBCC from Middleton, Idaho to play baseball for the Vikings. The second-year outfielder excels in the classroom with a 4.0 GPA. He is a pre-med major and graduated in spring of 2015 with a transfer degree. Herbert is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

Kevin Herbert came from Middleton, ID to play baseball for Big Bend Community College. The second-year outfielder excels in the classroom with a 4.0 GPA. He graduated in 2015 with an Associate in Science Degree (DTA). He’s a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.
• Big Bend Community College students had the highest student achievement points per student among 34 colleges in the state community and technical college system for 2014-15.

• Student success rates for pre-college math increased from 50 percent to 80 percent after BBCC implemented the Emporium math model.

• Enrollment in college-level math classes at BBCC is setting records, more than doubling since 2009. There are waiting lists for calculus classes for the first time in school history. Enrollment in Engineering Physics has tripled.

• The number of Hispanic students enrolled in STEM programs increased from 24 students in 2008-09 to 473 students in 2014-15 following implementation of a federal Title V STEM Grant for Hispanic Serving Institutions.

• BBCC’s Adult Basic Education Program had 112 students earn high school diplomas through the HS21+ program in 2014-15, the most ever.

• BBCC nursing students achieved a 100-percent pass rate on their first attempt at the national NCLEX board exam for registered nurses in seven of the last eight years.

• Graduates of BBCC’s Commercial Pilot Program are pilots for major airlines throughout the world. Training pilots for 50 years, it is the largest and most successful pilot training program in the Pacific Northwest. BBCC alumni make up 7 percent of pilots at Alaska Airlines.

• BBCC is in the pre-design phase for a $32 million, 76,000-square-foot Professional Technical Education Center (PTEC) to replace the college’s 60-year-old Air Force facilities. PTEC will be finished in 2018-19.
BBCC’s new ‘drone’ program will focus on agriculture

An unmanned aerial systems (UAS or “drone”) program to train technicians and pilots will be developed at Big Bend Community College with the help of a $2.6 million federal grant.

The new program, entitled New Opportunities in Aviation, will focus on agricultural applications of drone technology. The grant will provide approximately $520,000 per year for five years.

“The opportunity to use a new UAS education program and our 50-year aviation tradition to serve one of the most diverse and productive agricultural areas in the world is exciting,” said Terry Leas, BBCC President.

Leas said students in BBCC’s computer science program will have pathways to the drone program. It will benefit the college’s commercial pilot and aviation maintenance programs. It will also be an exciting opportunity for students in the college’s science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) pathways.

“It will have a ripple effect. The UAS program will create connections among many of our existing educational programs,” Leas said.

The UAS program at BBCC will have three initiatives: mechatronics (mechanical and electronics), UAS operations (pilots), and pathway advising. Each initiative will have a full-time director. An estimated 10 faculty positions will be trained in the new curricula and course delivery.

“The pathway advising component is crucial because students will be unfamiliar with the requirements for earning an associate degree in mechatronics or UAS operations,” said Leas. “Big Bend will have the first UAS program in the state’s community and technical college system.”

Pat Ford to manage new BBCC drone grant program

Dr. Patrick Ford has been appointed Grant Manager for the new unmanned aerial systems (UAS/drone) program at Big Bend Community College.

BBCC President Terry Leas hired Ford to manage the New Opportunities in Aviation program a few days after the $2.6 million federal grant award was announced. Ford, who helped design the project proposal, was identified in the grant application as the grant manager.

“The credentials and experience of Pat Ford were instrumental in the college being awarded the grant,” said Leas.

Ford is a 1978 Ephrata High School graduate who has moved back to Grant County after a 30-year aerospace career. He supports research with astronaut Dr. Buzz Aldrin on unmanned Mars exploration concepts and serves as a consulting science advisor for the Navy (which has included avionics flight testing of the EA-6B Prowler aircraft). He has worked as a Dean of Science and Technology for a major online university and as a consultant for unmanned aerial systems, radar, and communications. He teaches for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University’s Worldwide College of Aeronautics.

In the meantime, Ford knows there are many questions to be answered about the program. “Many people have asked where and when our unmanned aerial systems platforms will be flown,” Ford said. “On-campus flights will be indoors starting sometime in 2016. Our off-campus site has not been selected but will be in a remote location in which public safety and privacy—the two UAS flight foundation requirements—can be maximized.”
Achieving the Dream (ATD) welcomed back Big Bend Community College to its National Reform Network on June 23, 2015 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

BBCC was one of a cohort of 16 community and technical colleges from eight states selected to participate in the 2015 Achieving the Dream Kickoff Institute.

“ATD participants must demonstrate an institution-wide commitment to spend at least three years working with experts to implement reforms designed to improve student success and completion rates on their campuses,” said ATD President and CEO William E. Trueheart.

“Such a huge commitment to fundamentally rethink educational and student support is unusual and should be applauded because their work will result in a much larger, better educated, and productive workforce,” said Achieving the Dream President and CEO William E. Trueheart.

Big Bend participated in ATD for five years (2006-11) as one of the first ATD colleges in Washington state, took a break, and is returning to the network of more than 200 colleges. During the time BBCC was not an official member of the ATD network, college officials continued to work with other ATD colleges in the state to share best practices and improve student success.

“We continued to do the work of collecting data and building on what we learned from our ATD experiences,” said Terry Leas, BBCC President. “Rejoining ATD will help Big Bend take the next big step in improving student success.”

By 2020, almost two thirds of all jobs will require education and training beyond high school, according to a report by Anthony P. Carnevale, Georgetown University Professor and Director of the University’s Center on Education and the Workforce.

Researchers say that unless the U.S. begins producing more college graduates, there will be a shortfall of 11 million skilled workers to fill those jobs by 2020.

Achieving the Dream, Inc. is a national nonprofit leading the nation’s most comprehensive non-governmental reform network for student success in higher education. The Achieving the Dream National Reform Network, including over 200 institutions, more than 100 coaches and advisors, and 15 state policy teams - working throughout 35 states and the District of Columbia - helps more than 4 million community college students have a better chance of realizing greater economic opportunity and achieving their dreams.

Colleges in the ATD National Reform Network work to preserve access and assure that students, especially low-income students and students of color, achieve their goals for academic success, personal growth, and economic opportunity.

At the 2015 Kickoff Institute, the new ATD colleges worked in teams with coaches to increase their data analytic capacity to inform decision-making, understand how guided pathways can improve the student experience, identify opportunities to improve teaching and learning, and understand equity challenges on campus.

The 2015 cohort represents the first colleges in the Network to begin using the new Institutional Improvement Model to advance student success. The Model, composed of the Institutional Capacity Framework and the Continuous Improvement Cycle, provides practical guidelines for maintaining focus on students’ needs and building momentum over time. Throughout the process, Achieving the Dream coaches offer customized support and numerous peer learning opportunities to accelerate the adoption and adaptation of evidence-based, high-impact practices.

In addition to using the new model, the 2015 Cohort will benefit from achieving ATD’s agreement with the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) in which colleges’ data on key student success outcome measures will be extracted from student data already being submitted to NSC. The change responds to requests by Achieving the Dream Institutions for a more streamlined data reporting structure.
Boeing donates small plane to BBCC

Erik Borg, instructor for the Aviation Maintenance Technology program at BBCC, admires the Helio Courier recently donated by The Boeing Company.

A Helio Courier aircraft - which can maintain in-flight control speeds as low as 28 mph - was donated to Big Bend Community College by The Boeing Company on March 3, 2015. The Helio Courier is popular with bush pilots. It is a 5-passenger aircraft with a 38-foot wingspan and can attain speeds of 170 mph.

Videos of the plane show it can literally take off and land on a parking lot.

The gift went to the college’s Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program. The aircraft landed at Grant County International Airport and will not fly again. It is now an instructional tool for the AMT, according to college officials.

The aircraft was used by Boeing for flight testing activities. It is a tail-wheel aircraft suited for maneuvering at small airport operations. This one has a camera mount on the belly.

BBCC Learning Center

The Learning Center Childcare at Big Bend Community College has earned the Quality Level of Excellence from the state Department of Early Learning (DEL).

The rating, received in early July 2015, comes after two years of professional development and working with DEL coaches to meet 37 standards of quality for childcare centers, according to Angela Weber, Director of BBCC’s Learning Center Childcare.

Only a small number of sites in the state have achieved this level of quality on their first review, Weber said.

Early Achievers, the state’s voluntary quality rating and improvement system for child care professionals, provides coaching and professional development for providing quality care and education for young children.

Early Achievers rates the quality of child care and education programs. Providers can move up the rating scale by completing milestones and gaining points through an evaluation.

BBCC Learning Center Childcare staff from left: Lyubov Konovalchuk (kneeling), Dina Moskvich, and Angela Weber.
**Financial literacy an essential life skill**

From controlling college loan debt to making good decisions after getting a high-wage job, financial decisions impact students at Big Bend Community College now and in the future.

“Financial literacy for college students is as an essential skill, but most do not have the tools to take control of their finances,” said Heidi Summers, Director of Workforce Education Services at Big Bend Community College.

BBCC is introducing its students to $ALT, an educational program that spans management of student loans through financial decisions students face after they leave school. ($ALT is not an acronym. It refers to the first currency—salt.)

$ALT resources are being included in College Survival Skills (CSS) classes at BBCC. Students can create a free account at saltmoney.org/bigbend.

Students can log on the system and work through modules, tutorials, games, and financial calculators. The website lists tips on smart financial habits, and will be introduced in future new student orientation sessions.

“Many people in BBCC’s service district have acquired the training and skills they need for high-wage jobs, and they are receiving the biggest paychecks of their lives,” Summers said.

Too many of them don’t know how to make good financial decisions, get in debt, and start on a downward spiral that affects their job and family.

“Local employers know that financial literacy of their employees is essential to retaining the best employees,” Summers said.

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**BBCC’s TRiO Student Support Services**

Big Bend Community College officials are elated by news of a five-year renewal of federal funding for its TRiO Student Support Service (SSS) program, which has served first-generation, low-income, and disabled students for more than 30 years.

The college received notice of the grant award in late July, scoring a perfect 106 points for its proposal in a very competitive process.

Approximately 82 percent of BBCC students are first-generation college students, meaning their parents do not have a bachelor’s degree. BBCC’s service district also has one of the lowest per-capita income levels in the state.

“With one year left on the current grant, this means our Student Support Services program is funded for the next six years,” said Terry Leas, BBCC President.

Big Bend’s SSS Program is authorized to serve 190 students per year. The new grant award is for $1.4 million over five years or approximately $281,000 per year.

Last spring 60 SSS students attending Big Bend graduated with an associate’s degree. SSS advisors help at-risk students navigate college and complete degree programs. They also help students transition to the next step in their education or career.

“The greatest reward for the staff of SSS is to see our students walk across the stage and receive their diplomas after all the barriers they overcame,” said Custodio Valencia, BBCC Director of Student Support Services. “You can’t help but be proud of them for finding a way to succeed, and knowing they will go on to become teachers, engineers, nurses, counselors and many other types of professionals.”

Valencia was a first-generation student from Roy­al City who over­came many of the same barriers as today’s students. He now has a master’s degree and is director of a successful SSS program.

“Although SSS works with at-risk students, its student success and achievement rates are higher than the college as a whole,” Leas said. “TRiO works”.

In addition to one-on-one advising, SSS services include laptop and textbook loans, assistance in applying for scholarships, skills development workshops, campus visits to universities, supplemental instruction and tutoring, and a study lab where they are always welcome.
Hundreds of volunteers worked two days on a landscaping project to transform the appearance of Big Bend Community College’s campus just before students started fall classes.

Members of the LDS Church in Moses Lake donated their labor and use of equipment on August 26, 2015 to remove diseased trees, unwanted shrubs, and debris around the Liberal Arts and Business Building.

On September 12 they returned to plant new trees and shrubs, and to install drip systems and rock according to a landscaping plan provided by the college. The college spent about $10,000 on the landscaping materials.

“It took exceptional planning by the college’s grounds crew and the volunteers to get this much work done in such a short time,” Leas said. “The operators of the equipment were highly skilled, and the volunteers were well organized. It would have taken our maintenance crew weeks to complete this work.”

Last fall the LDS Church in Moses Lake completed big landscaping projects near the Math/Science Building (1200) and Student Center/Administration Building (1400). The volunteers have landscaped most of the campus core area in the last 12 months.

A lot of spiders and wasps lost their homes when low shrubs and diseased trees were torn out and replaced with new landscaping by volunteers from the LDS Church of Moses Lake. The volunteers tore out the shrubs and trees on August 26, and planted new trees and shrubs and installed drip systems and rock on September 12.–BBCC photos

Moses Lake native James Sauceda was appointed the new STEM Director at Big Bend Community College in 2015.

Sauceda has been an engineering curriculum specialist for Big Bend’s STEM efforts since 2013. He will be the lead administrator of the college’s federal STEM grant that has a goal of increasing enrollment and transfers to universities in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

“James’s story is an example of what we hope to achieve with our STEM grant. He is a local high school graduate who earned a STEM degree and returned to the area,” said Terry Leas, BBCC President.

Sauceda worked at the Columbia Nuclear Generating Station near Richland as a pump engineer, grid reliability specialist, and vibration analyst before coming to Big Bend. He was an engineering intern at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland focusing on nuclear nonproliferation and radiation portal monitor installations in the U.S.

He earned an Associate’s of Arts and Science Transfer Degree from Big Bend in 2004, a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Washington State University in 2009, and is on track to earn a Master’s of Science in Mechanical Engineering from WSU later this year.

Big Bend’s STEM efforts include implementing the innovative Emporium math model that increased student success in pre-college math classes from less than 50 percent to 80 percent.

“Big Bend gave me the foundation to excel at WSU in 2016 in nuclear energy,” said Sauceda. “I am excited about developing local programs to benefit students in Grant County and giving them an opportunity to graduate with a STEM-related degree right here at home.”

Big Bend appoints new STEM Director
A new “STEM culture” has emerged at Big Bend Community College as a result of a federal grant now in its fifth and final year.

The college has recorded a 200-percent increase in student use of the STEM Center this year. With glass walls and abundant natural light, the center provides 62 hours per week of tutoring and supplemental instruction. Demand is so great, the center is open on Sundays.

The $4.4-million U.S. Dept. of Education Title III Grant for Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) helped the college provide new resources for students enrolled in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

College-level math courses were redesigned, new advising strategies were implemented, and pre-engineering pathways were developed to change the way students feel about STEM. Changes in the ways students access academic support have had a huge impact, according to college officials.

The college has greatly exceeded the goal of the grant to get more Hispanic students enrolled in STEM programs. There were 24 Hispanic students enrolled in STEM programs at BBCC in 2008-09. By 2014-15, that number increased to 473 Hispanic students enrolled in STEM classes, according to college officials.

Distance (online) STEM enrollment increased from 150 FTEs in 2008-09 to 428 FTEs in 2014-15, again greatly exceeding the grant’s target.

Study groups are common in the STEM Center. They are not quiet. This is not the library. “It is a healthy, vibrant learning environment,” said Sarah Adams, Math Instructional Specialist. “Students are encouraged to be engaged.”

Tutors roam the STEM Center helping students with math, biology, chemistry, physics, environmental science, and engineering coursework. Math/science instructors schedule office hours in the center to meet with students at round tables. Supplemental instruction is taught by advanced students, while calculus students sit at a row of computers preparing for a test at the other end of the room.

Students write equations with markers on the glass walls (then wipe the glass clean). “It is the only place on campus where students can write on the walls and not get in trouble,” said Rafael Villalobos, Jr., STEM Support Specialist. “It gives students a sense of ownership of this space.”

Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Students form study groups in the STEM Center.
BBCC is developing a new medical simulation technician program that uses robots to provide lifelike training for health care professionals.

“Big Bend will have the first medical simulation technician program in the state community and technical college system,” said BBCC President Terry Leas. Program development is funded by a Title V federal grant.

The medical simulation lab has been constructed in the Health Education Building (1700). The state Board for Community and Technical Colleges has approved the college’s request to develop the program. The college has applied for approval of the program from its accrediting agency, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU).

There are many medical situations nursing students will not be able to observe during clinical instruction in hospitals and clinics. Simulators can expose nursing students to many more scenarios and allow students to practice their responses.

“Heart medical simulators bleed, have pulse points, have a heartbeat, have seizures, overdose, have allergic reactions to medication, and they are fun,” said Andrea Elliott, Medical Simulation Coordinator for Title V.

Big Bend will offer a Medical Simulation Associate Degree in Applied Science—a transfer degree that prepares students for industrial certification and entry-level employment in simulations labs. Medical simulation technicians learn to design, implement, and troubleshoot scenarios to support nurse educators.

Students entering the program will have backgrounds in computer science, STEM fields, and health care. The advisory committee assembled for the program includes people working in engineering, health care, computer science, and as first responders. The committee has been meeting for about 18 months.

“Technicians program the simulators and establish maintenance standards for them,” Elliott said. “They also need personal relationship skills because some of the simulation scenarios involve role playing.”

Simulators can be female, male, or babies. BBCC’s program has a simulated birthing unit.

Today’s human simulators cost approximately $100,000 each. BBCC has purchased one new simulator with grant funds, and the grant has a budget to buy two more.

“With advances in technology moving so fast, we will wait to purchase the other two,” Elliott said.

Large hospitals have wings dedicated to simulation. BBCC
BBCC students continue to excel in student achievement as ‘performance funding’ gains importance

Big Bend Community College had the highest student achievement points per student among 34 colleges in the state community and technical college system for 2014-15, according to the state Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

Now BBCC will be challenged to maintain that performance because the Student Achievement Initiative (SAI) will become a more important source of funding when the state implements a new funding allocation formula in 2017, said BBCC President Terry Leas.

Big Bend students in the latest SAI report led the state by earning 225 achievement points per 100 students in 2014-15. The state average was 171 points per 100 students.

BBCC students showed improvement in six of nine SAI categories. The largest increases in BBCC student performance were in pre-college math and basic skills. Overall performance of BBCC students increased by 3 percent from the previous year.

The SAI report showed an area where Big Bend can focus on improvement is in the category of completion of degrees and certificates. BBCC is average in that category compared to other colleges in the state system, said Leas.

The college’s retention rate dropped slightly in the SAI report. “Our retention rate is high, and it is hard to improve in that area,” Leas said.

Simulation technology mitigates malpractice insurance costs, said Elliott. They are used for a variety of medical certifications.

“Simulation gives students the advantage of learning skills through repetition and then improving those skills by increasing the difficulty and complexity of scenarios. Simulators bridge the gap between theory and clinical experience,” Elliott said.

BBCC simulation training also will be available to first responders, law enforcement, community healthcare workers, and educators, Elliott said.

The annual salary of medical simulation technicians can be up to $60,000.
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Samaritan Healthcare
Shinn, Frank & Lorna

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Boeing Company & Matching Gifts
Confluence Health (was Wenatchee Valley Clinic
Glasee, Roger & Ande
Holloway, Bob & Agnes
Holloway, Earl & Ruby
Masto Foundation
Milbrandt, Butch & Marcussen, Lisa
Osborne, Ruth
Owen, Colonel Clyde
Peterson, Larry & Lorraine
REC Silicon
Trask, Robert Jr.
Weinstein Beverage Company

$50,000 TO $99,999
Basic American Foods
Bonaudi, Dr. William C. (Bonaudi Family Scholarship)
Daniel, Mrs. Ferne (Daniel’s Family Scholarship)
Erickson, Gail (Art Erickson Memorial Scholarship)
Fisk, Bob (Fisk & Fisk Scholarship)
Hardin, Robert & Jacqueline
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Bernardo Wills Architect, PC
Calbick, Don & Cynthia
Columbia Basin Herald
Columbia Colstor, Inc.
Cordell, Mrs. Marcia
Killian, Ms. Deanna
Nestle Brands Potato Division
Nickel Saver
Tracy, Larry & Nancy

WA State Potato Conference
White Trail Grange
Yale, Richard

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Heinemann, Wilmerd & Helen
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Hirai, Paul & Ginny
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Jones, Millie Charitable
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Leas, Dr. Terry & Loyal
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Lyon, Mrs. Joyce
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Moses Lake Grange
Moses Lake Industries
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Ramon, Felix & Minnie
Shinn, Steve & Mary
Sly, Doug & Catherine
Swinger, Dennis & Katherine Franz
Townsend, John
Turner, Ken & Dusty
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Washington State Potato Commission
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Tokunaga, Joe & Fudge
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Odessa School District Florence Memorial
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Big Bend Community College Operating Budget

EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM 2015
$16,422,299

090 - $2,745,270 MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS 17%
080 - $3,036,291 ADMINISTRATION 18%
060 - $2,014,501 STUDENT SERVICES 12%
010 - $7,102,275 INSTRUCTION 43%
040 - $929,304 ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION 6%
050 - $594,658 LIBRARY 4%

SOURCE of OPERATING FUNDS

2014
$15,325,305

STATE - $8,749,642
RECOVERY - $2,157,353
TUITION - $4,400,000

2015
$16,422,229

STATE - $9,395,969
RECOVERY - $2,826,330
TUITION - $4,200,000
At no time has private support been so important to BBCC students.

With the help of generous donors, the BBCC Foundation assists the college with facilities, equipment, student scholarships, and program development. Please consider supporting BBCC through its non-profit foundation.

Yes! Here is my/our gift to the Big Bend Community College Foundation:

- $1,000
- $500
- $250
- $100
- $50
- $25
- Other __________

(All gifts to the BBCC Foundation are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.)

Name_______________________________________
Title________________________________________
Company____________________________________
Address_____________________________________
City ________________________________________
State______________  Zip______________________
Phone (Home)________________________________
Phone (Business)______________________________
Cell phone____________________________________
Email________________________________________

Matching Gifts

My employer _________________________________ will match this gift. (Please enclose your company’s matching gift form)

Planned Giving:

- Please send me information about making gifts to the BBCC Foundation with securities, property, life insurance, or by including the Foundation in my will or trust.

Contact Us!

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EVERY GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Designate my gift for the following:

- College’s greatest need
- Intervention Scholarship Fund (for student financial emergencies)
- Facilities and Equipment Fund
- Foundation General Scholarship Fund
- Named Scholarships (Scholarship Name) __________________________
- Access to Good Health Campaign (Nursing)
- Title III STEM Endowment (matching funds available)
- Program Development Fund (Program Name) __________________________
- Other (specify) __________________________

Payment Options

Check enclosed $ ____________ (Please make check payable to the BBCC Foundation.)

Pledge

- Please bill me: (amount) ____________ for______ years
- Annually (indicate month)
- Semianually (July and December)
- Quarterly (March, June, September, December)
- Monthly

PayPal: Send donations to foundation@bigbend.edu
Please charge my:

- MC
- VISA
- Discover Card
- American Express

Acct. # ____________________________
Exp. Date__________ CVC Verification Code__________
Signed: ______________________________________
Date: ________________  Zip Code:_________________