



Kent Community Foundation

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Kent Community Foundation - President's Corner

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I am thrilled to report that we will be awarding almost \$30,000 in scholarships to 15 students in our community. Participating in our Scholarship Committees, for me, is something I look forward to each year. It is a powerful reminder of the potential we have right here in our community and being able to support these students as they pursue their dreams is really a privilege. I invite you to consider attending our Awards Event on May 21, at 7pm at Kent-Meridian's PAC. This year we have partnered with Kent Rotary and will be having a community celebration honoring all of the recipients! Administering these scholarships is one of the things we do well and if you, your family, your company or club are interested in starting a scholarship, please come talk with us!

We have been making great progress on our SMART Goals (membership, marketing and community forum). In March we added three new members to our Board of Directors – Amy Hobson, Harry Smith and Roger Nakamura. We are thrilled to have their experience and energy to help us move forward. We have a new logo that will be rolled out at our booth at the Tech Expo April 30. Andrea, Brenda and I have been working with a steering committee to plan a community forum for not for/non profits who serve the Kent community. We have adopted the name Kent Serves and will be working on a community calendar and ways to maximize our collective input on our community.

May will be busy as we plan for the Scholarship event (May 21) and award grants – look for some exciting news on projects we will be supporting! I am always available to answer any questions about our Foundation and the work we are doing and hope to continue to do in our Community. Thanks for your continued support!

Warmly,

Dee Klem
President
Kent Community Foundation