Mendocino College Foundation NEWSLETTER *Dedicated to the Legacy of Learning*

September 2025

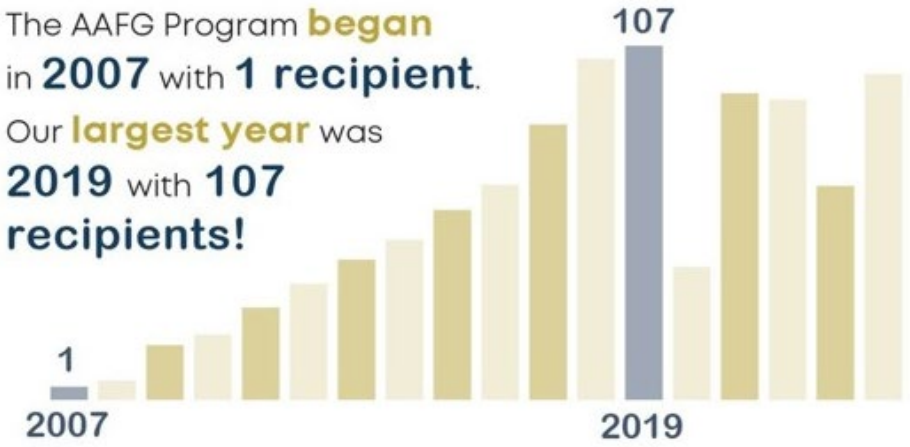
This month's NEWS

The campus and Centers of Mendocino College are buzzing with energy now that we are one month into the Fall 2024 semester. Students who received scholarship checks last month have been letting us know how it's making a difference. One student brought balloons, flowers and a handcrafted sign that said, "Thank you for the love and support you have given me in reaching my career goal of one day becoming a Registered Nurse. With wonderful sponsors like you, families like ours are able to become successful in life." To help students transform their lives and achieve their goals is the mission of the Mendocino College Foundation, and we could not do it without your support.

This month I am highlighting a golf tournament at Little River Inn benefitting the students at the Coast Center in Fort Bragg, and updated numbers from our Adopt a Fifth Grader program, now in its 17th year. Please reach out to us at foundation@mendocino.edu with any questions, feedback or just to connect with us. Happy Fall y'all!

Did you know that the **AAFG program was started** by **Wade & Mary Lou Koeninger** because someone helped them go to college and they wanted to pay it forward?

The AAFG Program **began** in **2007** with **1 recipient**. Our **largest year** was **2019** with **107 recipients!**



Our 1st AAFG recipient Rebeca Ortega graduated from Ukiah High in 2014 and Mendocino College in 2017 **with Honors**. Rebeca went on to graduate from UC Berkley and currently works at Mendocino College in Student Services.

$970,000

raised in scholarship dollars for AAFG students.

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AAFG Alumni

to date

In 2023, **50%** of the AAFG recipients who graduated from high school went on to college.

Golf Tourney September 28th

The Friends of Mendocino College Coast Center is hosting a Golf Tournament to raise money for scholarships and materials for Mendocino College Coast Students. The tournament will take place at the Little River Inn Golf Course on September 28th. Please checkout our website for more information.

Mendocino College Radio Hour

Catch up with the Mendocino College Radio Hour hosted by Foundation Executive Director Julie McGovern the first Tuesday of the month at 9 am on KZYX. The September show guests were Vincent Poturica, English Faculty at the Coast Center, and Jason Morse, Coastal Development Liaison for the Foundation. We discussed the upcoming charity golf tournament on September 28th and some of the exciting staff, faculty and course additions at the Coast Center.

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Let us know if there is a specific area of the College or a Foundation program that you are interested in hearing more about. We can set communication preferences so that you only receive news you want, including events or volunteer opportunities.

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