A Message from BCCC Foundation
Chairman, Dr. John Brothers

It's with great excitement that we are unveiling the Baltimore City Community College Foundation's inaugural quarterly newsletter. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our current Foundation contributors, and to welcome those of you who are just finding out about us.

I am honored to take part in the long tradition of philanthropy at the Foundation and I believe that the Board's hard work and dedication will greatly benefit the College, its students, and the Baltimore community.

Our newsletter is a more than an information source - it is a vehicle to connect with Baltimore's business community. We intend to bring the College into focus so that business professionals are aware of the great works that the College is performing to prepare students to become a viable part of the City’s workforce.

Dr. John Brothers
Chairman, BCCC Foundation Board
President, T. Rowe Price Foundation
President, T. Rowe Price Charitable Giving
Introducing Dr. Debra L. McCurdy, BCCC's President-Elect

Respected Leader, Strong Advocate for Community College Education and Workforce Development

Debra L. McCurdy, Ph.D., the incoming president of Baltimore City Community College, is a celebrated leader in higher education with more than 30 years of experience as an administrator who will assume the presidency of BCCC on May 1, 2019.

Mayor's Scholars Program - A Bold Vision to Increase Access to College for Baltimore's Youth

The Mayor's Scholars Program (MSP) is a last-dollar promise scholarship that funds the difference between a student's state and federal financial aid awards and the cost of tuition and mandatory fees at BCCC. The scholarship is available to students who are working toward an associate degree, a certificate or taking part in a certified job-training program. The MSP is open to any Baltimore City high school student who enrolls immediately after graduation. There is no GPA requirement, income limit, or work requirement.
Middendorf Foundation Donates $25,000 for Textbooks

The Middendorf Foundation has traditionally supported the following areas of interest: education, social services, cultural institutions, historic preservation, hospitals and hospices and environmental conservation. The Foundation gives primarily to higher education, particularly to scholarship funds. With the help of donations from supporters such as the Middendorf Foundation, we will continue to see improvements in the academic outcomes of our City’s students, especially low-income students, as they strive to achieve their goals for academic success, personal growth, and economic opportunity.

April Ryan to Address Class of 2019

Award-winning author and White House correspondent April Ryan will be the keynote speaker for Baltimore City Community College’s 70th commencement on June 1.

“We are honored Ms. Ryan will share her experience, hopes, and inspiration with BCCC’s Class of 2019,” Sylvia Rochester, interim vice president of student affairs said.

Ryan, a Baltimore native and Morgan State University graduate, is a mentor to aspiring journalists and up and coming broadcasters. Ryan is one of only three African Americans to have served on the prestigious White House Correspondents Association board. She is also an esteemed member of the National Press Club.

BCCC Administration Moves into Newly Renovated Wing

The College completed construction on its new administrative wing at the Liberty Campus on December 14, 2018. The new two-story, 26,200 SF concrete and steel structure boasts: five conference rooms and a variety of office suites equipped with state-of-the-art information technology and audiovisual systems. The building houses the President’s Suite, the Baltimore City Community College Foundation and the following divisions: Advancement and Strategic Partnerships, Workforce Development, Academics Affairs, and Administration and Finance.
Foundation Scholarship Recipient
Raven Montgomery

"Fall 2018 was difficult for me. I worked two jobs, managed a full load of classes and endured the death of one of my brothers. The scholarship that I received from BCCC Foundation helped to elevate my life, allowed me to be a part of the College community and receive the help I need to be successful. In the coming school year I will be able to complete my associate's degree and apply to the nursing program.

My father is deceased and having to help care for my mother, brothers and sister makes this scholarship imperative to my life. I really appreciate the helping hand, not having to pay my full tuition is one less bill and such a big help to my family. I would like to thank everyone who contributes to the Foundation so they can continue to make scholarships like this possible."

BCCC Athletics Provides Wins On and Off the Field

BCCC Panthers compete in the National Junior College Athletic Association Region 20 (NJCAA) and is a member of the Maryland Junior College Athletic Conference (MDJUCO)
in all sports. BCCC fields athletic teams in the following sports: Men's Basketball, Men's Cross Country, Women's Basketball, Women's Cross Country.

The Panthers men's basketball team went on to win the MDJUCO regular season championship and defeated Frederick Community College to MDJUCO tournament championship.

BCCC's intercollegiate athletic teams have a long tradition of combining success on the playing field with academic achievement in class. Year in and year out, BCCC continues to be one of the most competitive schools in the region. Intercollegiate athletics contribute significantly to the development of the individual student and provide excellent opportunities for growth, self-realization, and fulfillment of personal and group potential.

**BCCC in the News**

**Members of U.S. Congress visit Campus to Announce FAFSA Legislation**
Congressman Elijah E. Cummings (MD-07) announced the introduction of the FAFSA Fairness Act of 2019 at Baltimore City Community College on Feb. 4, 2019.

**BCCC Partners with Facebook to Launch Digital Marketing Certificate**
Interim President Dr. James H. Johnson, Jr. announced the College’s partnership with Facebook to add a Digital Marketing Certificate to the College.

**Workforce Development Division Partners with Baltimore’s Business Community**
The Division's primary focus is engaging employers, community organizations and agencies to build a competitive workforce through collective partnering.

**CVS Health, BCCC, Goodwill Industries Partner in Mock Pharmacy**
Baltimore, Maryland, area will now have access to valuable hands-on training thanks to a new mock CVS Pharmacy that recently opened.
City of Baltimore, Councilman Pinkett Announce Partnership with BCCC to Help Returning Citizens Prepare for City Jobs

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BCCC AT-A-GLANCE

We are taking steps throughout the institution to focus the administration, faculty and staff on providing a high-quality, relevant education linked to the needs of employers and students. This is fueling a new reality at the College - one where BCCC stays competitive by reviewing established targets and assessing progress towards meeting those targets.

We are building and expanding partnerships with the business community and the workforce development field. And BCCC continues to offer high-quality academic preparation leading to two-year associate degrees and certificates in high-demand career areas.

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Ways to Support BCCC Foundation, Inc.

Baltimore City Community College is proud to participate in the national recognition of Community College Month during the month of April. The 16 Maryland community colleges have partnered together to highlight the impact and role of the Maryland's community colleges and why it's important to support them during Community College Month.

Please help us support Baltimore's only Community College!

Donate during the entire month of April to support BCCC's Completion Assistance Program!
BCCCF receives numerous calls throughout the school year from students seeking help from the Completion Assistance Program. Students who are just a few semesters away from graduation end up delaying the completion of their academic programs due to a lack of funds.

There is an important need to address the challenges faced by our low-income, first generation students approaching the finish line. Students who drop out near the end of their programs have invested a great deal of time, energy and resources only to leave without the earning power that a credential or degree can provide.

Since 1947, Baltimore City Community College has provided Baltimore's residents with high-quality, low-cost educational opportunities in two-year career programs, college transfer programs, continuing education courses and workforce development training.

Baltimore City Community College Foundation, Inc. supports the mission of the Baltimore City Community College by strengthening philanthropic giving from local businesses, corporations, foundations, employees, alumni, and individuals to fund student scholarships, curriculum development, educational facilities and equipment needs.

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