

Foundation Report

Prepared for 7/30/2024 WTC Foundation Board Meeting by Sheila Hale

Foundation Donations - Mrs. Robert Clinton has donated \$11,000 to build the existing Dr. Robert L. Clinton Memorial Scholarship. Mrs. Clinton has been a strong supporter of the Western Texas College Foundation and continues to contribute each year to support scholarship efforts. Five returning Westerners have been selected to receive the scholarship for the 2024-25 academic year, which is an honor and requires a 3.0 GPA to uphold the contract.

Inspire Program – The WTC Foundation will begin accepting applications for the Fall 2024 round of INSPIRE applications. All applications will be due on Friday, October 11, 2024, and will be heard by the Board of Directors on Tuesday, October 29, 2024.

Scholarships – 63 scholarship awards were issued on May 14, 2024. As of the deadline, July 11th, 51 contracts have been returned signed. The mandatory scholarship meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 16th, at 2 PM. During this meeting, scholarship students will learn about the importance of receiving their designated scholarship, understand what criteria must be met to retain the scholarship, and write thank-you notes to their donors.

Texas Association of Community College Foundations – The annual TACCF conference is scheduled for February 5-7, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas. The theme, *Charting Success - Navigating Change*, is stated to be "packed with inspiration, learning, and networking opportunities." The conference will be hosted at the Embassy Suites by Hilton on the Riverwalk, and I feel privileged to represent Western Texas College in this capacity.