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Scholarships made all the difference

Choosing VCSU was the smartest decision I could've made for my future. I received the best education from professors who challenged and guided me to success. I grew as a person from extracurriculars that pushed me out of my comfort zone. And most importantly I gained a network of support from peers, faculty and staff, community members, and alumni.

Coming from a low-income household in small-town North Dakota, I was very skeptical about how I was going to make my dream of going to college and playing college volleyball a reality. But through scholarship support I was able to graduate from college with my first two years paid for,

giving me an optimistic start to my future.

Having scholarships available to all students from all walks of life makes college easier. No, it may not make the test easier or the homework assignments shorter, but it does remove financial stress allowing students like me to focus on their studies and get the most out of their college experience. I am forever grateful for the support that allowed me to receive an education, make my family proud, and make my dreams come true. Thank you for passing the torch to keep VCSU the best it can be and helping future vikings get the best of what this school has to offer.

— Autumn Johnson '19, Hazen, N.D.

Thank you V-500!

Included in this newsletter is coverage of our annual V-500 Recognition Banquet, held December 7. This event is one of the highlights of the year for the V-500 Scholarship program. The event provides us with an opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to the many folks who support this important program.

The V-500 program is allocating \$300,000 in scholarship support this academic year to VCSU students. It is a significant component of the \$1.723 million in total scholarship support provided from all sources to VCSU students. The old adage, "We couldn't do it without you," is an understatement. Our V-500 donors are making it happen. Their commitment

to "give back" is clearly "Making the Difference" in the lives of the students receiving a V-500 scholarship.

If you are currently an active member of the V-500 program, we thank you for that support. If you are not, please consider renewing your membership. Our goal for this year is \$90,000. We still have a considerable ways to go.

Please consider helping us reach that goal. A V-500 membership is tax deductible. It is also an important investment in our students, our university and our community! Call the VCSU Foundation Office at 701-845-7203 and see how easy it is to renew your V-500 membership today!

— Larry Robinson '71, Executive Director of University Advancement



Autumn Johnson, Student Speaker, Winter Commencement 2019



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Annual V-500 Recognition Banquet held December 7

On December 7, 2019, we recognized many V-500 members. Pictured below are some of the folks recognized for new and renewed memberships and for lifetime giving. We appreciate all of our members.

The V-500 program awarded a total of \$300,000 in scholarship allocations for the current academic year.

It's All About the Students!



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— Ryunosuke Satoro

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April 24, 2020

