# 2023-25 Operating and Capital Budget Requests

## Legislative Districts: 3, 4, 6, 7, 9

### **Overview**

Spokane Community College, part of Community Colleges of Spokane, is one of the largest colleges in the Washington state community and technical college system. We are a leading provider of nursing and allied health care professionals in our community and provide highly skilled manufacturing, technology and career training programs. SCC also has one of largest apprenticeship programs in the state. Our strong transfer programs equip graduates for success as they transfer to four-year colleges. Adult education programs like GED<sup>®</sup> and ESL are a major part of our program as well.

## Meet Shawna Donaldson



Shawna Donaldson had a life-changing experience when, at 47 years old, she received a diagnosis of epilepsy. She abruptly found herself "disabled and suddenly dependent on others for survival...". In the wake of this life altering diagnosis, she refused to give up and let epilepsy take over her life. Ms. Donaldson returned to school at 49, setting out to prove any doubters wrong. She enrolled at Spokane Community College and attends

classes at the Colville Center. In doing so, she effectively declared war on any obstacle that would keep her from accomplishing her goals.

# Legislative Priority: Expand Opportunity for Students and Employers

Fully funding our budget requests will have real returns for students like Shawna Donaldson and for the communities and employers in our area. Students will learn from competitively-paid experts who choose to work at Spokane Community College rather than pursue higher paying positions with private employers or K-12 schools. Our students will train for careers in robust workforce programs, with modern equipment and learning spaces that mirror their future work environments. We will be able to expand technology to bring a college education to more people in more ways, which is especially important for working adults. And, all our students will benefit from an inclusive environment where they are valued, supported and equipped to reach their goals.

Spokane Community College will also receive funding to operate and maintain existing facilities, build its Apprenticeship Center, and design and build its Allied Health building.



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### **Our Students**

Total headcount	. 13,319
Total full-time equivalent (FTE)	6,129
Full-time	46%
Part-time	54%
Students of color	30%

#### **Operating Budget Estimate**

If the system's operating budget request of \$353 million is fully funded, Community Colleges of Spokane will receive approximately \$18.6 million in additional funding.

### Capital Budget Estimate

If the system's request is fully funded, Spokane Community College will receive approximately \$6,552,000 for operation, maintenance, infrastructure, repairs and minor improvements of its existing facilities plus a portion of the district allocation of \$2,248,000 for routine facility operation, \$36,177,000 for construction of the Apprenticeship Center, and \$47,171,000 for design and construction of the Allied Health building.

