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Our mission is to support Northland Community & Technical College by providing opportunities for contributors to invest in and enhance the educational experience of Northland students.

The Northland Community & Technical College Foundation (NCTC Foundation) was incorporated and registered as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation in the state of Minnesota on June 11, 1975. Since then it has awarded more than \$1M in scholarship and program grants. Notable donations and awards include:

- The late Lowell & Marge Swenson, through gifts and estate bequest, donated over \$750,000. Lowell was the former owner, president and CEO of Arctic Cat. Both Lowell and Marge were strong supporters of Northland.
- The late Romal Burtness, through gifts and estate bequest, donated over \$400,000. Romal, with his mother Stella, were strong supporters of Northland.
- The late Gladys Person, through gifts and estate bequest, donated over \$200,000. Gladys was a strong community and Northland supporter.
- The Hartz Foundation annually donates over \$30,000 towards scholarships.
- In 2009 the NCTC Foundation launched the \$100,000 Dislocated Workers Scholarship program. The Otto Bremer Foundation also contributed \$50,000, with \$25,000 raised locally.
- In 2010 Gene & Gretchen Beito, Northern State Bank, the Dondelinger Foundation, and Jobs Incorporated donated \$50,000 to the NCTC Foundation to support Northland's development of the Unmanned Aerial Systems program.
 - •In 2011 the NCTC Foundation, through a generous donation by Orren and Odette Bendickson, created the IGNITE Post Secondary Enrollment Options scholarship pilot program.
 - •In 2011 Northrop Grumman donated a Global Hawk Block 10 full-scale model unmanned aerial vehicle.
 - •In 2012 the Detroit Pistons donated Roundball One, their DC-9 team plane.

The NCTC Foundation's leadership is made up of a volunteer board of directors. Sheila Bruhn is the interim chief development officer for Northland Community and Technical College. Lars Dyrud serves as the director of foundation operations.

