

Achieve Dreams. Support a Better Future.

We are passionate about making Washington State University Tri-Cities an amazing place for students to pursue their dreams. The ability to give students a world-class education right here at home is something that should not be taken lightly. We know that you believe in our worthy cause as well, but I am writing today to ask for your help.

As you know, state budget cuts have shifted the cost of a college education onto the backs of students and their families. Tuition for Washington State University students is nearly $10,000 per year, up 57% from four years ago. Even more state cuts—*and another 14% tuition increase*—are ahead.

Our students are feeling the impact. In the last two years alone, scholarship applications at WSU Tri-Cities have increased by 350%—almost half of our student body.

Thanks to the support of alumni, businesses, and friends in our community, last year we were able to award a record $370,000 in scholarships to 179 students, but there are hundreds more students in need.

As our scholarship application deadline of January 31 approaches, we expect an even larger number of students to apply—which is why I am writing to you today.

Your gift to support scholarships for students at WSU Tri-Cities has never been more important. Often, it is the deciding factor of whether or not our students can stay in school and achieve their dreams for a better future that a college education brings.

I can assure you that your gift—large or small—will make a huge difference. Whether for a student like Jason, who received a Distinguished Scholarship for his campus leadership and high academic merit or for a student like Rosalinda, who is a single parent and the first in her family to attend college, your support helps students to stay on track as they work toward their goals.

With the help of alumni and friends like you, WSU Tri-Cities can continue to produce the trained workforce needed by businesses in our community.

I thank you in advance for joining other alumni and friends in our community in this critical quest to give the gift of a college education to students at WSU Tri-Cities.

Best wishes and Go Cougs!

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Chancellor, WSU Tri-Cities



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Rosalinda [redacted] understands the sacrifice and dedication that being a successful college student requires. She is the first in her family to attend college and she is proud to be setting an example for her two young children and seven siblings.

"I want to be a 'somebody' and make a significant difference in the world."

—Rosalinda [redacted]
Recipient of the William R. Wiley Scholarship and New Freshman Scholarship

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