



Bright Future Update

FALL 2016



Director's Corner

By Reza Khastou

Invest in the future of our community and our economy

September is an exciting month for us. I'm pleased to share that Bright Future has passed a significant milestone and to present an exciting new opportunity to you. This September 2016 the number of student served by Bright Future program reached five hundred. To serve these students we expanded from one alternative high school, John Marshall, to 41 high schools. During the last 17 years we perfected our "Statement of Social Impact" and collected 68 quarters of students' performance. Our students consistently proved that when we offer them meaningful education, then they perform at a higher level and earn high school diplomas and community college industry certificates at significantly higher level. Our graduates are much sought after by hospitals, clinics, and businesses.

This summer our last four medical assistant graduates were hired immediately after completing their externship at an average pay of \$40,000 plus benefits with zero educational debt.

The geographic location of Seattle Vocational Institute and the limited number of Industry Certificate programs we offer to our students, has limited our growth. Lack of growth means a large group of students who could benefit from our programs are not able to access it. **We want to change this.** We are poised to deliver the benefits of the program to more employers, communities and students across our region.

And we need your help. Bright Future Dollars for Scholars and I are starting a fundraising campaign. We are planning to begin career/academic advising in at least one new local college in 2017 and we are counting on your contribution. The money we raise will help us cover the first year start-up costs of that expansion of the Bright Future program, after which the program will be self-sustaining.

To invest in the future of our community and our economy, please make your tax-deductible donation here:

Click on the "Donate Now" tab at brightfuture.dollarsforscholars.org and specify "Expansion Fund" for your donation. -Or- Mail your check payable to "Bright Future Dollars for Scholars Expansion Fund, Tom Donohue, Treasurer, POB 1057, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

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News from Bright Future Dollars for Scholars

by Mike Madden

On Wednesday, October 19, Bright Future Dollars for Scholars hosted a BBQ lunch for returning SVI students and staff. It was a great day, with fine weather and over 120 servings of hot dogs, hamburgers and chips on the side. Many thanks to the young men from PACT who hoisted the grills out of the truck again this year! We hope to see you again too! This was our fourth annual BBQ and it's become a tradition for us. October also marked the anniversary of a big transition in the nineteen year history of the Bright Future Dollars for Scholars. Last October, we saw the retirement from our board of two founding members, President Doug Gochanour and Secretary Linda Sorenson.

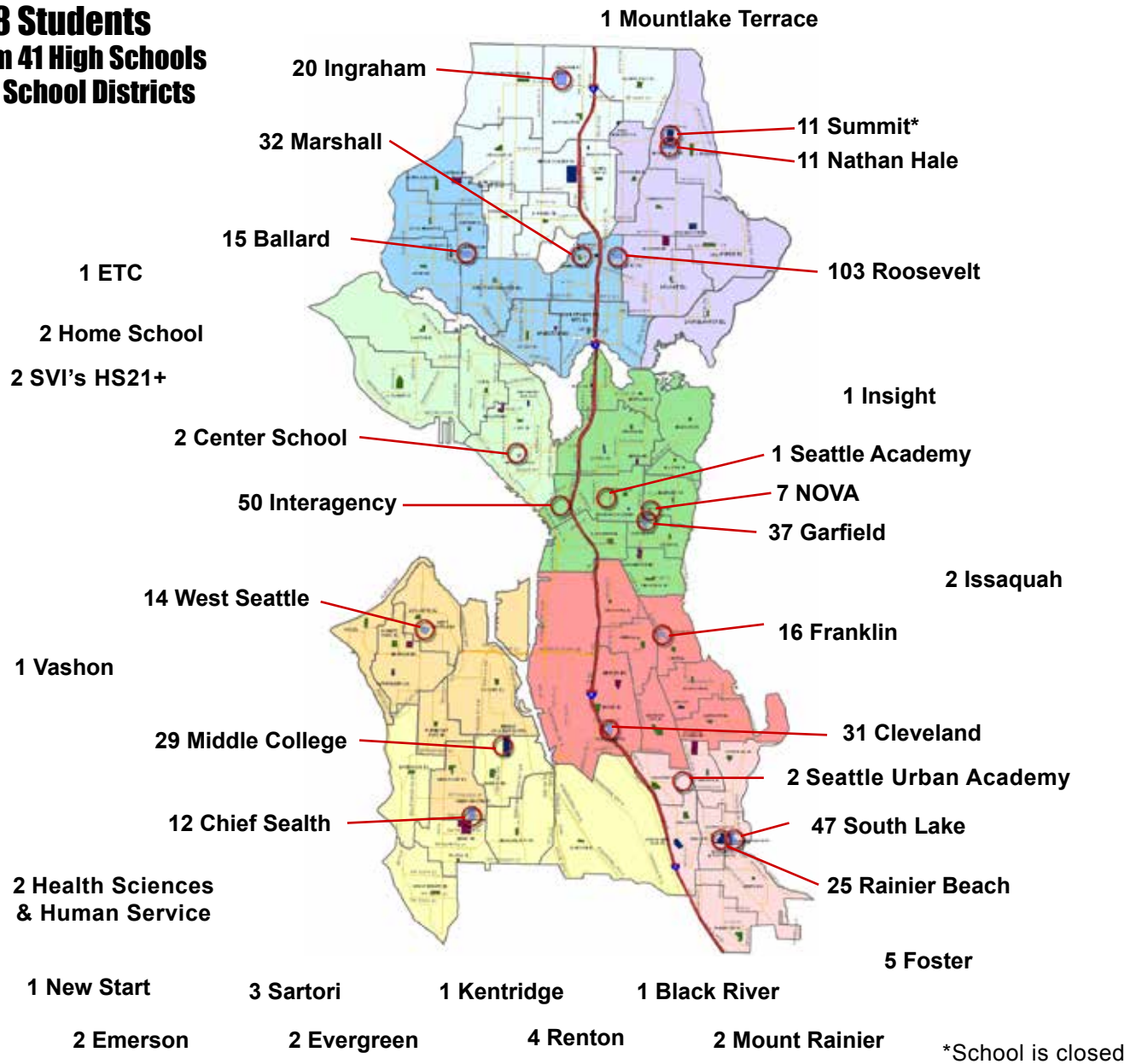
Doug and Linda were among the first community leaders who had the vision, along with Bright Future Director Reza Khastou, to develop a program helping deserving students complete industry education and certification. Since then, more than 500 students from forty-one high schools have completed the program and gone on to productive jobs and financial independence. Doug and Linda were there, all the way, guiding our chapter and giving of their own time and money to help students achieve success. Thank you, Doug and Linda, for being such tireless and inspiring leaders. You showed us the way!

Now, we are committed to exploring other connections to extend the reach of the Bright Future model to more students and locations. We are exploring connections with other colleges in Washington State, to raise money to fund the creation of a new Bright Future program, and to assist in the creation of a new chapter to provide critical financial support. We will bring you news of our progress and will offer you ways to help bring this effective education model to more students across our region.

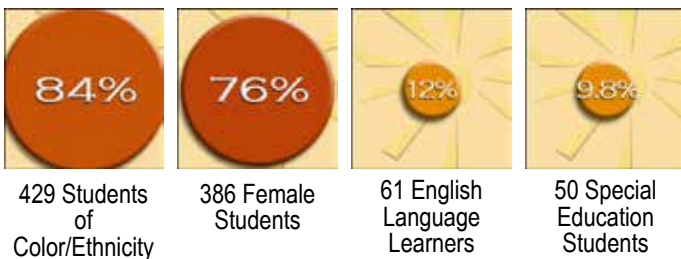
Meanwhile, thank you to our generous donors and supporters! We appreciate your help and support in expanding this very successful program. Please go to www.brightfuture.dollarsforscholars.org and give us a boost!

Bright Future Performance Report 1998-2016

508 Students From 41 High Schools In 9 School Districts



Bright Future Student Demographics 508 Students Served



Completion Rates - 508 Students

High School Students' Completion Rate



High School Students' Performance at SVI



340 Program Graduates Fall 1999 - Summer 2016 85% have more than 6 months training

ALLIED HEALTH 68%

- 2 Acute Care Nursing Assistant*
- 7 Medical Office Administration*
- 11 Health Unit Coordinator*
- 58 Dental Assistant
- 65 Medical Assistant
- 85 Nursing Assistant Certified*

* No Longer Offered

COSMETOLOGY 13%

- 45 Cosmetology

CONSTRUCTION 6%

- 2 Carpentry at SCCC
- 18 Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training



BUSINESS COMPUTERS 13%

- 3 Foundation Office Clerk
- 6 Computer Information Processing*
- 8 Administrative Office Professional
- 11 Computer-Based Accounting
- 15 Network Technician

Graduation Rates by School Year

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	5 yr. Avg.
High School	87%	92%	89%	95%	87%	90%
SVI	60%	88%	78%	78%	80%	77%

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Scholar News Fall 2016

Scholarships Awarded September 1, 2014 through September 27, 2016

Best/Emerson High School

Genevieve Moncada, Cosmetology (Partial tuition)

Cleveland High School

Santiago Crisanto, Medical Assisting (PASS Courses, bus tokens, book plus access codes)

Alexandria Le, Cosmetology (Books)

Franklin High School

Ramla Abdi, Medical Assisting (Textbook)

Nazneen Koledin, Cosmetology (Cosmetology kits)

Shantea Martinez, Medical Assisting (Textbook)

Foster (Tukwila)

Stephanie Alvarez-Sanchez, Dental Assisting (PASS Courses, books, tutoring)

Yazmin Garcia, Dental Assisting (PASS Courses, books)

Daniela Sabalsa, Dental Assisting (PASS Courses, book, uniform, bus tokens)

Garfield High School

Bridget Laffite, Dental Assisting (Books, fees)

Ingraham High School

Sharmaine Estrellas, Medical Assisting (PASS Course,

books, bus tokens)

Loren Roberts, PACT Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training Program (Fees)

Hiep Vo, Medical Assisting (PASS Course, books)

Cassandra Walker, Cosmetology, PASS Course

Alysha Ward, Cosmetology (Tuition)

Maleah Wilkinson, Cosmetology (Partial kit payment)

Interagency - UDYC

Naima Ali, Medical Administrative Assistant (PASS Course, books)

Donald LeGrone, PACT (PASS Course)

Interagency - YEP

Jamila Abdi, Medical Assisting (PASS Course)

Adillia Scott, Cosmetology (Tuition)

Issaquah High School

Samantha Zamora Yanes, Cosmetology (Orca card)

Middle College High School

Morgan Mahaffey, Cosmetology (Partial kit payments)

Nova

Duncan Elloway, Medical Assisting (Supplies, tutoring)



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-Anatole France

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Thank you! (Tax i.d. is below).

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- Give through our website, www.brightfuture.dollarsforscholars.org. First, click the 'Donate Now' tab, and then click the large red Donate button. At the bottom of the sign-up page, please designate your gift to either the Bright Future Expansion Fund or the Bright Future Scholarship Fund.
- You may mail checks, made out to Bright Future Dollars for Scholars, to: BFDS Treasurer, PO Box 1057, Mercer Island WA 98040.
- Amazon Shoppers: Make your purchases through Amazon Smile (<https://smile.amazon.com>). Choose Bright Future Dollars for Scholars as your charity; BFDFS will receive 0.5% of cost of your purchases.
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