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## GIVE A GIFT OF SCHOLARSHIP THIS HOLIDAY SEASON THROUGH THE SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE FOUNDATION DONOR DRIVE

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL—The South Suburban College Foundation (SSCF) is seeking year-end gifts from those who wish to help make a difference in the lives of local college students who need assistance. The SSCF Scholarship Donor Drive will continue through the end of the year, providing both a charitable gift opportunity and tax deduction for all donors.

The SSCF provides scholarship assistance each year to many students who otherwise would be unlikely to begin or complete their college education. One-hundred percent (100%) of Donor Drive donations benefit scholarship and student assistance funds. Whether it is a high school graduate, an unemployed resident looking to acquire new skills, or a returning adult seeking a career change or pursuing their college degree for the first time, the SSC Foundation offers scholarship assistance to all students in need. Providing scholarships to students helps them to achieve their college dream which will help improve their lives and their communities while also providing an educated and skilled workforce essential to economic growth and sustainability.

Scholarship opportunities are critical for SSC students. Many are struggling to balance family, employment, and school responsibilities while they are often unable to receive Financial Aid. The majority of SSC scholarship recipients do not qualify for any other type of financial assistance. Scholarship money is provided primarily through the annual fall Scholarship Donor Drive.

All scholarship contributions to the SSCF are 100% tax deductible (EIN: 23-7191738). The SSCF staff works cooperatively with individuals and organizations to develop a donor plan of any level. New scholarships can also be established with a \$750 donation.

Donations may be made online at <u>www.ssc.edu/foundation</u>, via PayPal to <u>foundation@ssc.edu</u> or mailed to:

"SSC Foundation" 15800 S. State Street South Holland, IL 60473

At SSC, 90% of students fall under the low income, first generation or disabled criteria. The SSCF once again awarded over \$100,000 in total awards to these students in 2015, and has now granted over \$1.6 million since 1987. For more information, please contact the Foundation Office at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2463 or foundation@ssc.edu.