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## **Local Veteran Leaves Endowed Scholarship to HCC**

**WELDON, N.C. – WELDON, N.C. –** On Thursday, Nov. 14, the Halifax Community College Foundation (HCCF) recognized its 2019 donors and scholars.

During a luncheon held in the Griffin Centre, HCCF Executive Director, Allen Purser, brought together donors and their scholarship recipients to say thank you. Sponsored by Dominion Energy, the luncheon is an annual tradition to recognize the impact of donors in the lives of students.

During the luncheon, students spoke about the life-changing effect their scholarships have had on their academic journeys. Many spoke of their ability to complete their education because of the generosity of the donors. For some, the pursuit of a college degree would have been impossible without the financial assistance the scholarships provide.

Michael Felt, chairperson of the Halifax Community College (HCC) Board of Trustees, welcomed all donors and scholars, reminding them of their significance to the College. He reminded them of the partnership they now have, coming together to ensure greater success in the future. Winnie Wiseman, director of external affairs for Dominion Energy, spoke about Dominion's commitment to education, and encouraged students to stay focused on completing their journeys.

"I'm grateful that the donors recognize the importance of their contributions to help our students advance their educational attainment," said Dr. Michael Elam, president of HCC. "Without their generous donations, it would not be possible for many of them to attend or complete their education. In our community, the need is great for our students. When individuals contribute their limited resources, they alleviate a student's financial worry, making it possible for them to fully excel in their education."

For more information, or to contribute to student scholarships, contact Allen Purser at 252-536-5479 or [apurser601@halifaxcc.edu](mailto:apurser601@halifaxcc.edu).



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