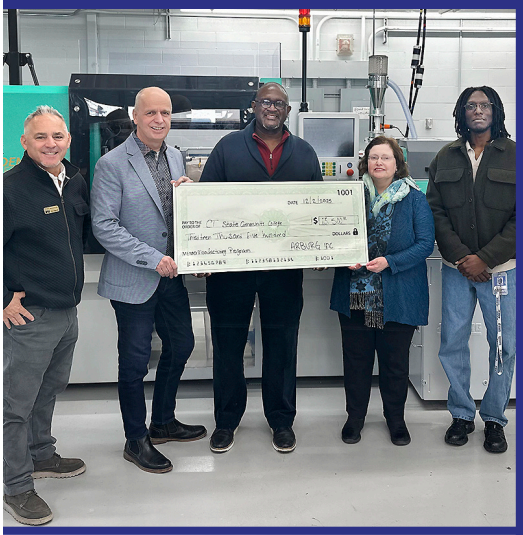
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ANNUAL COMMUNITY REPORT

July 2025 to June 2026

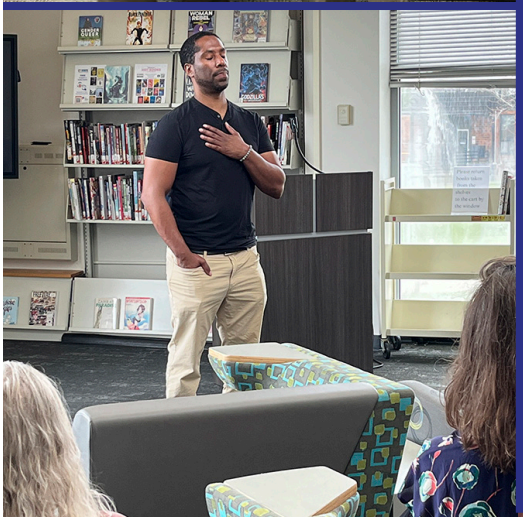
















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Your generosity makes a lasting difference in the lives of CT State Middlesex students, and the MxCC Foundation is deeply grateful for your continued commitment to their success. Every gift, regardless of size, strengthens our campus community and creates opportunities that might otherwise be out of reach. Your support fuels our mission in countless ways—from scholarships and academic excellence to an expanded food pantry as well as programming opportunities.

We hope you will continue to be part of this important work through individual donations and by joining us at fundraising events, such as Luna on the Sound. Your gifts, sponsorships and partnerships do more than support our programs; they open doors, inspire aspirations and help students turn their goals into accomplishments.

Thank you for believing in our students and investing in their futures.

CT STATE MIDDLESEX HIGHLIGHTS 2025–2026

In August 2025, we welcomed **Joshua Moon-Johnson, EdD**, as the new campus president of CT State Middlesex.

Middlesex hosted a **Diwali celebration** last November, in collaboration with the Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple and the city of Middletown.

Professors Angelo Glaviano and Dan Nocera premiered ***Sicilian Heritage in Middletown***, a documentary featuring interviews with local Sicilian community members who shared their stories of perseverance.

In April, Tess Wheelwright of **Wesleyan's Center for Prison Education** (CPE) spoke with faculty about the program's long-standing partnership with Middlesex. Former student James Davis III, who earned an associate degree in 2016**,** shared his motivational story with the group.

Ophthalmic Design and Dispensing student **Jing Yang**, a Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society member, was named a 2026 New Century Workforce Pathway Scholar and was selected as an inaugural 2025 Chime Workforce Scholar last fall. Congratulations to Dean of Students and Faculty **Donna Bontatibus, PhD,** for earning the PTK Distinguished College Administrator Award.

In June, students and staff represented Middlesex at Middletown's annual **PrideFEST**, joining community members and leaders from across Connecticut in the celebratory march.

Middlesex celebrated the class of 2026 during **Commencement** exercises in May. Dr. Moon-Johnson conferred over 400 associate degrees and certificates, including 14 associate degrees to students in the CPE program at Cheshire Correctional Institution. Sarah Gadsby, CEO of River Valley Services, was the keynote speaker, and Student Senate vice president Ellis Newman delivered the student address.

Last fall, **SoulFully Vegan** became the new dining service on the Middletown campus. Owned by 2017 grad Allison Vaughan, it's one of the only exclusively vegan campus food services in the country.

The lower parking lot now has electric vehicle charging stations, and an ADA-compliant Mamava XL lactation pod was installed in the cafeteria.





SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

On May 14, the MxCC Foundation presented **87 scholarship awards totaling $93,650** to returning and graduating students. Foundation Chair Laura Pieper, former Middlesex CEO Steven Minkler, Middletown Director of Diversity Management and 1999 Middlesex grad Faith Jackson, and former professor Ray Dennis helped congratulate the recipients. Thank you to all the generous donors for making these opportunities possible. "Remember these donors gave their time and money because they believe in you," said Dr. Moon-Johnson.

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS & SPECIAL FUNDS

The MxCC Foundation received a $32,356 grant from the **American Health Information Management Association** (AHIMA) Foundation to support students in health information management programs. The funding will provide scholarships and help cover expenses such as tuition, books, technology, AHIMA memberships, exam preparation materials, and certification exam fees. Scholarships will follow the MxCC Foundation's standard application process, while exam fee assistance will be available to eligible students with demonstrated financial need.

The **Albert/Houle Spay the Stray Fund** provides hands-on clinical experience for veterinary technology students while improving the health and welfare of animals in local animal control agencies. The fund primarily covers spay and neuter procedures for dogs and cats, as well as preventive care such as vaccinations and basic health assessments. Under professional supervision, students gain real-world experience while helping reduce the number of unaltered animals in the community.

Middlesex received a $13,500 contribution from **ARBURG, Inc.**, a global leader in the manufacturing of high-quality plastic processing and injection molding machines. "This generous support from ARBURG not only strengthens our programs but also expands access to the lab for middle school students, giving them early exposure to careers in manufacturing," said Director of Advanced Manufacturing Keith Carter.

The MxCC Foundation received a $15,000 donation to support the **Honors Program**. This generous gift came from former Middlesex president Anna Wasescha, who started the program 13 years ago.





LUNA ON THE SOUND

The MxCC Foundation hosted the new **Luna on the Sound** fundraising gala on February 28 at the Water's Edge Resort in Westbrook. More than 100 guests, alumni, faculty, staff, students and volunteers attended and raised nearly $23,000 to fund student scholarships and educational initiatives directly for CT State Middlesex.

Save the date: Luna on the Sound—March 6, 2027

EVERY EFFORT COUNTS

Thank you to all who contributed to the Travelers Championship **Birdies for Charity** fundraising program, which ended June 28. Those initial donations were then increased by 15% bringing in $1,897 this year. Since 2019, the MxCC Foundation has raised more than $26,400 including $4,147 in bonus matches through this program. And thanks to those who supported the MxCC Foundation by dining at Vera Cucina's **give-back night** or attending the July **Yard Goats game**.

LIFELONG LEARNING LEAVES A LEGACY

In June, **MILE** (Middlesex Institute for Lifelong Education) concluded a 33-year legacy of adult learning, friendship and community engagement. The group donated $10,000 to the MxCC Foundation to establish an endowed scholarship.

ALUMNI GATHERINGS

Alumni and former staff celebrated their Middlesex experiences during a special **Meet & Mingle** on campus in June.

In April, 2020 grad **Jared Buchanan** returned to campus to tell his deeply passionate story about his dad Paul, a former police officer, who died in 2013. Guests viewed a screening of his film, *Beautifully Broken*.

PANTRY RENAMED PEGASUS FREE MARKET

To better reflect its mission, the Magic Food Bus was renamed the **Pegasus Free Market** during a ribbon-cutting ceremony last December. Earlier that fall, Stop & Shop presented a $12,500 gift to the food pantry. Additional support came from Jeff Myjak and Cans-4-A-Cause and other individual donors. Since January of this year, 28,238 items serving 565 students in more than 5,000 visits were distributed through the market.



MxCC FOUNDATION FINANCE REPORT

Statement of Activities July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Income

Contributions	$ 291,773
Special Events	27,706
Investment Income	59,632
Interest Income	10,253
Donated Facility	3,600
Total Income	**$ 392,964**

Expenses

Scholarship Awards and Program	247,383
Special Events	13,260
Professional Fees and Wages	52,233
Office Expenses	9,764
Investment Fees	9,298
Insurance	1,218
Rent Expense	3,600
Total Expenses	**$ 336,756**

Other Income (Loss)

College Grants	74,509
In-Kind Gifts	5,075
Unrealized Gains	158,380
Total Other Income (Loss)	**$ 237,964**

Other Expenses

College Grants	74,509
In-Kind Expenses	5,075
Total Other Expenses	**$ 79,584**
Change in Net Assets	**$ 214,588**
Net Assets at beginning of year	**$ 1,458,041**
Net Assets at end of year	**$ 1,672,629**

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	363,542
Marketable Securities	1,314,965
Accounts Receivable	17,446
Total Assets	**$ 1,695,953**

Liabilities

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	10,696
Agency Payable	12,628

Net Assets

Unrestricted	(11,279)
With Donor Restrictions	1,683,908
Total Net Assets	**$ 1,672,629**
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	**$ 1,695,953**



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