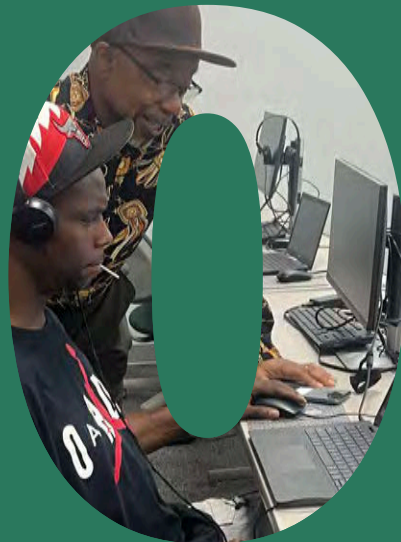




OFTC
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ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Friends of Oconee Fall Line Technical College and the OFTC Foundation

Reflecting on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for your unwavering support. Thanks to your generosity, our mission has moved forward—opening doors for students, strengthening faculty, and building a college community rooted in opportunity and hope.

Thanks to the Evelyn & Louie Livingston Foundation, the TOOLS program awarded seventeen students the tools necessary to enter the workforce. Meeting William, an HVAC student, was a highlight of the year. Because of the TOOLS program, he entered the workforce in a career he once thought out of reach. Stories like his are the heartbeat of our work—and the reason your generosity matters so deeply.

This year we also invested in opportunities like Artificial Intelligence and expanded programs in cybersecurity—ensuring graduates are prepared for a



changing world. Looking ahead, we will continue to grow scholarships, strengthen workforce-aligned programs, and support student success and wellness.

None of this would be possible without you—our alumni, donors, partners, and friends. Your belief in education fuels our purpose and changes lives every day.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Kathryn Willcox

Chair
OFTC Foundation

Our Mission

The OFTC Foundation's mission is to secure and provide various resources to promote lifelong learning and workforce development by strengthening the relationship between the College and the community.

In the coming year, we will focus on expanding our scholarship programs, strengthening partnerships with local businesses, and enhancing the resources available to our students, faculty and staff. Join us in our mission to empower the next generation of leaders, professionals, and changemakers. Your involvement and support are critical to our success to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students and our community.



TOOLS Recipient William Fuller (R) is looking over his award of tools for a career in Air Conditioning and HVAC

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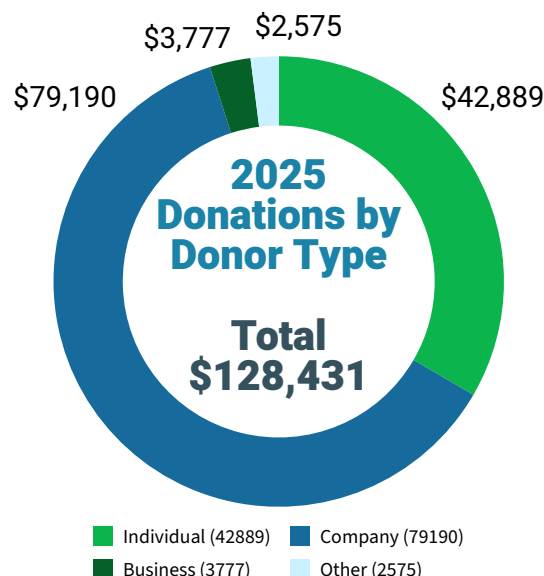
The OFTC Foundation is guided by business and community volunteer leaders who represent the eleven counties in our service area: **Bleckley, Dodge, Glascok, Hancock, Jefferson, Laurens, Telfair, Warren, Washington, Wheeler, and Wilkinson Counties of Georgia.** The Board of Trustees is focused on obtaining the resources necessary to constantly improve the educational experience of our students.

Fiscal Year 2025 Giving

The annual Employee Fund Drive was held during the month of May. The campaign brought in just over **\$30,000** in donations and pledges from the faculty and staff!

Coming in 2026: 2nd Community Campaign

The OFTC Foundation will hold its second community campaign designed to engage communities served by the college. The Foundation will host scheduled learning sessions where community members can gain a clearer understanding of what the OFTC Foundation is and how it assists the college and its students.



Third Annual Peterbilt Golf Tournament Benefits Diesel Equipment Program at OFTC

In the spring, Peterbilt of Dublin hosted a golf tournament at the Brickyard in Macon to benefit OFTC's Diesel Equipment Technology program. Following the event Peterbilt representative Daniel Starley presented the Foundation with a check for **\$3,223** which will directly fund program needs.



(L-R) Kathryn Willcox, OFTC Foundation Chair; Daniel Starley, Peterbilt Representative; Erica Harden, OFTC President ; and Jeffrey Wyatt, OFTC Diesel Equipment Technology Instructor

OFTC Foundation Golf Tournament

The Foundation hosted its 12th annual golf tournament in June at Twin City Country Club in Sandersville. With 80 players participating, the event raised **\$8,400** to advance the Foundation's mission of supporting OFTC students and programs.



1st Place Team: The Southern Company Team 2
Kyle Hammock, Tyler Rhodes, Matthew Waller, Casey Woods



2nd Place Team:
The Southern Company Team 1
Brian Nash, Heath Taylor,
Matt Simons, Joey Barrett



3rd Place Team:
First State Bank
Drew Cooper, Tony Newsome,
Randall Johnson, Don Wren

Poinsettia Sales

The OFTC Foundation held its final poinsettia fundraiser in October 2024. Moving forward, the Foundation plans to focus on broader community campaigns. We sincerely thank everyone who has supported the poinsettia sales over the years and helped make them a success.



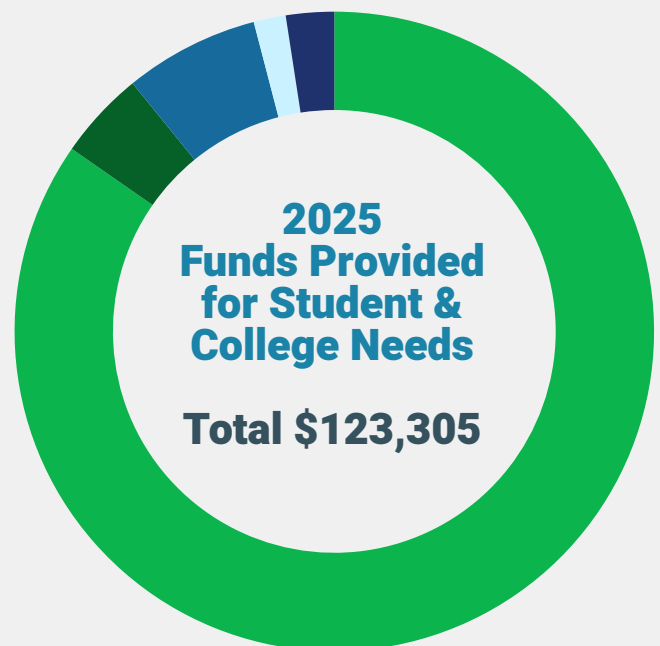
It's More Than Tuition: Why Support Matters

Behind every student's story are unseen needs—quiet struggles, hidden sacrifices, and unspoken challenges that can make the path to success harder than it looks. From books and tuition to unexpected emergencies, students often need more than determination to keep moving forward. That's why supporting the OFTC Foundation is so important—**your generosity helps meet those unseen needs, opening doors for students to stay on track and thrive.** Every gift makes a difference, and together we can change lives.

Fiscal Year 2025 Distribution

Behind every scholarship, classroom resource, and new initiative is the generosity of our supporters. This past fiscal year, Foundation funds have created opportunities and fueled student success. Here's how your contributions made a difference:

Scholarships	\$104,405.00
Lending Library	\$ 5,500.00
Staff Development & Incentives	\$ 8,400.00
Discretionary Funds	\$ 3,000.00
Student Needs (beyond scholarships)	\$ 2,000.00
Total Foundation Support	\$123,305.00



- Scholarships (104405)
- Lending Library (5500)
- Staff Development & Incentives (8400)
- Student Needs* (2000)
- Discretionary Funds (3000)



(L) Whitney Roady, OFTC 2025 GOAL Student
(R) Kerrie Fountain, OFTC 2025 RPA Instructor

The Foundation helps celebrate excellence by supporting GOAL (**Student of the Year**), RPA (**Instructor of the Year**), EAGLE (**Adult Education Student of the Year**), and Adult Education TOTY (**Teacher of the Year**) award recipients with scholarships, professional attire for interviews, and recognition prizes.

To assist **adult learners** working toward a high school equivalency (HSE), the Foundation offers test vouchers that cover required exam fees.

Faculty and staff also benefit from Foundation support through access to professional development, resources for advisory committee engagement, and classroom equipment and supplies not funded by the state.

The **IMPACT** of Your Gifts

The OFTC Foundation plays a vital role in supporting the college's programs and services, benefiting students, faculty, and staff. By funding scholarships, emergency assistance, and essential resources like textbooks and laptops, the Foundation helps students pursue high-demand career pathways. It also removes barriers for high school students earning college credits by providing scholarships and covering the cost of their textbooks.

The Foundation further supports allied health students by reimbursing half of their clinical fees—expenses required by hospitals and training sites that often vary by facility. These costs can add up quickly and become a barrier, but Foundation assistance ensures students can complete their training without being held back by financial strain.

Beyond academics, the Foundation offers emergency funds for unexpected student needs, the Last Mile Fund for those in their final semesters who no longer qualify for financial aid (or whose aid doesn't fully cover tuition), support for student activities, and many other resources that promote success.

Your generosity—at every level—changes lives by supporting students, strengthening our college, and uplifting our community. Together, we are shaping brighter futures and driving economic progress.

Those Served by OFTC Foundation:

480 Students & **150** Employees
161 Student Scholarships
17 TOOLS Awards
31 High School Equivalency
Vouchers

Lending Library had
resources available to assist
153 students with **226** books
and **97** students with laptops.



Scholarships

The OFTC Foundation, Inc. offers scholarships to assist students at Oconee Fall Line Technical College in a variety of ways: tuition, clinical site fees, testing vouchers, textbooks, and so much more. In FY 2024-25 the Foundation awarded over **\$104,405.00** in scholarship funds to 182 deserving students.

Alton McCullough Dual Enrollment
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Catherine Rey
Randy Helton Family Scholarship
Recipient



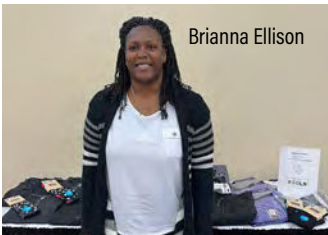
2025 Tools Award Banquet



The **Tools for Outstanding Occupational Leadership Students (TOOLS) Program** is the OFTC Foundation's largest initiative, equipping technical program students with the tools they need to launch their careers. From stethoscopes and scrubs to welding helmets and toolboxes, these resources ease the financial burden of preparing for the workforce.

In 2025, 17 students received awards thanks to the generous support of The Louie and Evelyn Livingston Family Foundation and donors including Fairview Park Hospital, Morris Bank, Washington EMC Foundation, Community Bank, Pitts Toyota, and Smurfit WestRock.

More than just tools, these awards represent opportunity and affirm OFTC's mission to graduate career-ready professionals.



Brianna Ellison



Blake Clements



Preston Robinson



Kailey Goolsby

2025 TOOLS recipients :

Sarah Barlow, Dublin, Associate of Science in Nursing
 Courtney Brooks, Soperton, Diagnostic Medical Sonography
 Devonte Brown, East Dublin, Industrial Systems Maintenance
 Blake Clements, Rentz, Construction Management
 Cason Hugh Davis, Warrenton, Welding & Joining Technology
 Timoy Ellis, Dublin, Respiratory Therapy
 Brianna Ellison, Sandersville, Respiratory Therapy
 Zachary Floyd, Danville, Radiologic Technology
 William Fuller, Eastman, Air Conditioning HVAC
 Cole Gaultney, Dexter, Mechatronics Technology
 Kailey Goolsby, Dublin, Radiologic Technology
 Lauren Hammock, Dexter, Medical Assisting
 Ashley Howell, Milan, Practical Nursing
 Grayson Maxwell, Louisville, Electrical Control Technology
 Preston Robinson, Warthen, Welding & Joining Technology
 Nicholas Rowell, McRae, Welding & Joining Technology
 Jennifer Timmons, East Dublin, Medical Assisting



Sarah Barlow



Devonte Brown



Cole Gaultney



Courtney Brooks

In the college's 2024-2025 annual year, OFTC's Lending Library received **251 applications for books** and **144 applications for laptops**. The program had **resources available to assist 191 students with 193 books** and **57 students with laptops**.

Donations to the OFTC Foundation directly sustain the Lending Library, a program that eases financial strain for students by providing textbooks and laptops each term. This resource not only reduces upfront costs but also helps students—especially those with limited means—stay enrolled, complete coursework, and move closer to graduation. By expanding access to essential tools, the Foundation ensures every student has the opportunity to succeed.



Lending Library Programs

OFTC's Lending Library allows students to borrow textbooks and laptops each term, easing the cost of education while ensuring access to essential resources. Assistance is provided based on financial need and availability, with items returned at the end of the semester so other students can benefit.

The OFTC Foundation sustains this program through annual budget support, keeping textbooks current and technology accessible. For many students, the Lending Library provides the critical tools needed to stay enrolled, succeed in coursework, and ultimately reach graduation.

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