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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 generosity and commitment. Because of you, students are finding opportunities, pursuing their goals, and building brighter futures.

One of this year's most meaningful milestones was the creation of the Disabled Veteran Support Scholarship, which will help disabled veterans gain new skills, pursue a trade, or begin a new path through Georgia's technical colleges.

The TOOLS program, made possible by the Evelyn & Louie Livingston Foundation, also continued to change lives by providing seventeen OFTC students with essential tools and equipment. Meeting Karessa, a Construction Management student, was especially inspiring. With support from the program, she gained the resources and confidence to strengthen her skills and pursue her goals.



Stories like Karessa's are the heart of our mission—and the reason your generosity matters so deeply. Looking ahead, the Foundation will continue expanding scholarships, supporting student success and well-being, and investing in workforce-aligned programs, including growing fields such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and barbering.

None of this would be possible without you—our donors, alumni, partners, and friends. Thank you for believing in our students, investing in their futures, and strengthening the communities we serve.

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 Karessa Hinson with her award of tools for a career in Construction Management

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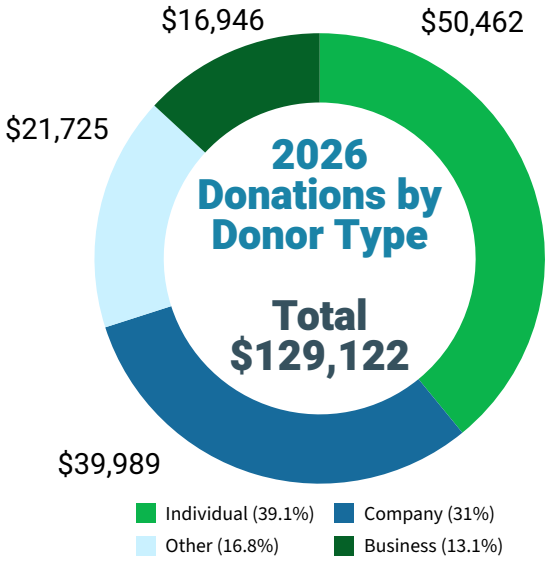
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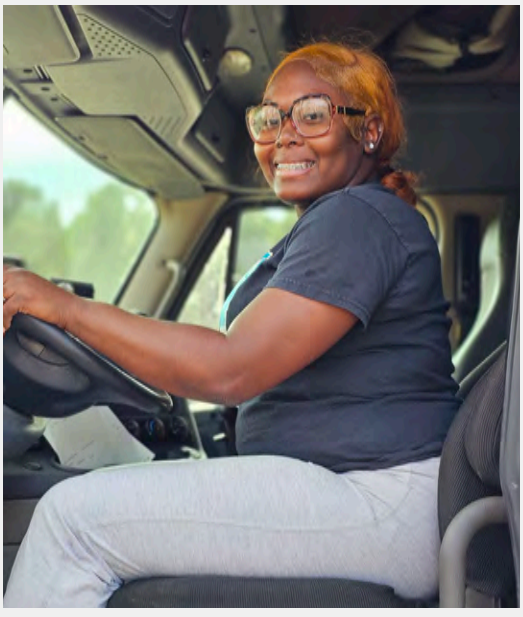
The OFTC Foundation is guided by business and community volunteer leaders who represent the eleven counties in our service area: **Bleckley, Dodge, Glascock, Hancock, Jefferson, Laurens, Telfair, Warren, Washington, Wheeler, and Wilkinson Counties of Georgia.** The Board of Trustees is focused on obtaining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

Fiscal Year 2026 Giving



2027 3rd Annual Community Campaign

The OFTC Foundation will again host a community campaign with learning sessions highlighting its mission and support of the college and its students.



Chasity Hall,
Howard Sheppard Commercial Truck Driving Scholarship Recipient

Annual Employee Fund Drive

Through **#MakeAnIMPACT**, OFTC faculty and staff contributed more than **$28,366** in donations and pledges, achieving an impressive 80% participation rate!

#MakeAnIMPACT 2026

OFTC Foundation Golf Tournament

The Foundation held its 13th annual golf tournament on May 30 at Twin City Country Club in Sandersville. Seventy-two players competed for the coveted prize—a round of golf for four at Reynolds Lake Oconee. The tournament raised **$3,600** to support OFTC students and the college.



1st Place Team: First State Bank Team
Drew Cooper, Joey Kaney, Randy Johnson, and Don Wren.



2nd Place Team: The Southern Company/Georgia Power of Dublin Team of
Casey Woods, Matthew Waller, Tyler Rhodes, and Kyle Hammock



3rd Place Team: Team McCaskill, of Samuel McCaskill, Max Corder, Jackson Smith, and Walker Smith.



A Jones,
Fall 2025 General Scholarship Recipient

When Determination Needs a Helping Hand

Every student has a story—and often, the greatest challenges go unseen: a textbook they cannot afford, an unexpected emergency, or the strain of balancing school, work, and family.

They have the determination and the dreams. Sometimes, they simply need help overcoming one difficult moment.

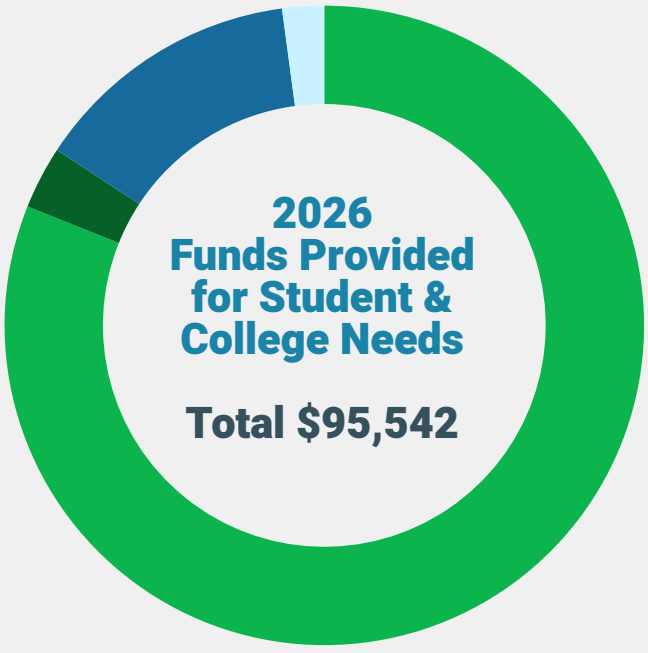
Through the OFTC Foundation, your generosity removes barriers, keeps students in the classroom, and reminds them they are not alone.

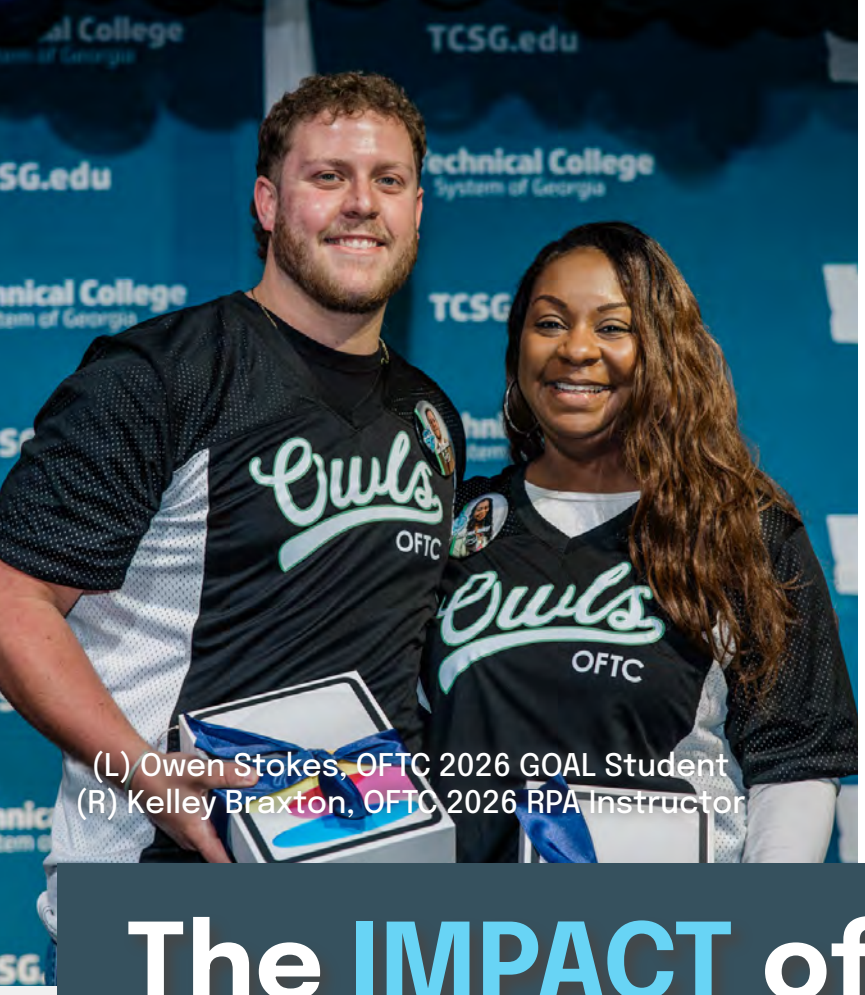
Every gift tells a student,
"Your dreams matter. Keep going."

Fiscal Year 2026 Distribution

Behind every scholarship awarded, every classroom supplied, and every new initiative launched, stands the generosity of our supporters. Over the past fiscal year, OFTC Foundation funds have been at work creating opportunities and fostering success. Here's how your contributions changed lives.:

Scholarships	$ 76,642.00
Lending Library	$ 3,000.00
Staff Development & Incentives	$ 12,900.00
Discretionary Funds	$ 3,000.00
Student Needs (beyond scholarships)	$ 2,000.00
Total Foundation Support	**$ 95,542.00**





(L) Owen Stokes, OFTC 2026 GOAL Student
(R) Kelley Braxton, OFTC 2026 RPA Instructor

Your generosity—at any level—can make that possible. When you give to the OFTC Foundation, you're not simply supporting a college. You're investing in students, strengthening our workforce, and uplifting our entire community.

Together, we can remove barriers, open doors, shape brighter futures, and drive economic progress—one student at a time.

The IMPACT of Your Gifts

From scholarships, emergency assistance, textbooks, and laptops to support for allied health clinical fees, the Foundation provides critical resources that help students stay enrolled, complete their training, and prepare for high-demand careers. The Last Mile Fund offers additional support to students nearing graduation who face financial gaps after exhausting other sources of aid.

The Foundation also invests in student activities and other programs that strengthen the college experience for students, faculty, and staff.

At the heart of every scholarship, textbook, laptop, and emergency grant is a student provided the opportunity to keep moving forward.

Those Served by OFTC Foundation:

440 Students
156 Employees
254 Student Scholarships
17 TOOLS Awards
35 High School Equivalency Vouchers

The Lending Library assisted
186 students with **174** books
and **38** students with laptops.



2026 TOOLS Recipient Jimmy Givins, III his award of tools for a career in Air Conditioning Technology

Equipping Students for the Future

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 2025-26 the Foundation awarded over **$95,542.00** in scholarship and student need funds to 254 deserving students.

Alton McCullough Dual Enrollment
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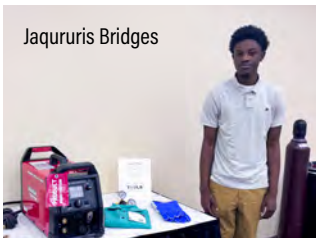

2026 Tools Award Banquet

The OFTC TOOLS PROGRAM

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 2026, 17 students received awards through the generous sponsorship of The Louie and Evelyn Livingston Family Foundation, with additional support from donors Bubba's Tire, Franklin Propane, First Laurens Bank, Fulgham Industries, Morris Bank, Pitts Toyota, Smurfit WestRock, Washington County Regional Medical Center, and Washington EMC Foundation.


David Penny


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

2026 TOOLS recipients :

Bryce Wimberly of Chester, Air Conditioning Technology
Jimmy Givins, III of Eastman, Air Conditioning Technology
David Penny of Adrian, Automotive
Karessa Hinson of Wrightsville, Construction Management
Ryan Livingston of Milan, Cosmetology
Abigail Aycock of Milledgeville, Cosmetology
Ian Anderson of Dublin, Electronics Technology
Gage Harden of East Dublin, Machine Tool Technology
Cynthia Gontorwon of Dublin, Medical Assisting
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Brittany Coney of Dublin, Radiologic Technology
Tiffany Marsh of Gray, Radiologic Technology
Alexis Haigh of East Dublin, Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Alayna Wiggins of Bartow, Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Roldolfo Rodriguez of Wrens, Welding and Joining Technology
Jaqururis Bridges of Tennille, Welding and Joining Technology
Peyton Edney of Rentz, Welding and Joining Technology


Brittany Coney


Ryan Llivingston


Ian Andersvon


Alayna Wiggins

The Lending Library is more than a collection of books and computers—it's an investment in student success. It helps students stay enrolled, complete their coursework, and keep moving toward graduation and the career they're working so hard to build.

When you support the OFTC Foundation, you help make sure students have the tools they need to keep going—and the opportunity to reach their goals.

For many students, the cost of a textbook or laptop can feel like one more barrier standing between them and their education. OFTC's Lending Library helps remove that barrier.



Javion Lawrence,
2026 Hancock Strong General Scholarship Recipient

Lending Library Programs

Students gain access to essential textbooks and laptops each term—at no additional cost.

Support is provided based on financial need and availability, allowing students to access the resources they need to participate fully in their coursework. At the end of each semester, items are returned so they can be placed in the hands of another student who needs them.

The OFTC Foundation plays a critical role in keeping this program strong through annual budget support, helping ensure that textbooks remain current and technology remains accessible.

For a student already balancing tuition, transportation, childcare, work, and everyday expenses, having a textbook or laptop provided can mean the difference between struggling to keep up and having the tools to succeed.

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