



# CLARK COLLEGE FOUNDATION

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## **Clark College Foundation Adds To Development Staff**

*Welcomes Dennis, Grecco, Ivey and Langland, promotes Pollach*

VANCOUVER, Wash.—Four new members have been added to Clark College Foundation’s development staff to meet the need of increasing private support for the Clark College. Additionally, Sam Pollach has been promoted to research coordinator.

Clark College is the regional leader for workforce development. The Southwest Washington community’s economic vitality and overall well-being can only advance through education and training. Clark College offers 120 academic and technical programs and has partnerships with several universities to provide seamless pathways to baccalaureate degrees. The college has pledged to provide affordable access to higher education to individuals in our region. However, as state funding has declined and tuition has gone up, that promise is at risk.

In 2006, the state of Washington provided 62 percent of Clark College’s total operating budget. Today that number is 42 percent and it is expected to drop below 40 percent in the foreseeable future. Moreover, in the past three years, students have experienced tuition increases from seven percent to 12 percent.

As state funding erodes, Clark College will bridge the funding gap by increasing private support. As a result, the Clark College Foundation has hired two new development officers, Milton Dennis and Constance Grecco; a senior administrative assistant, Judy Ivey; and part-time grant writer, Alf Langland.



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Dennis is a former executive with United Way, having served in various management positions in Oregon, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Iowa. He has directed a number of community campaigns and has been responsible for raising nearly \$200 million in his United Way career. He is a graduate of Reed College in Portland, Ore.

Grecco is a veteran account manager and community relations director. She generated millions of dollars in gifts, public relations and advertising for the Cascade Division of The Salvation Army, while cultivating partnerships with community leaders. As a senior sales executive for Salem Communications, she managed a portfolio of more than 60 advertising clients. Grecco is a Washington State University graduate and a Tri Delta sorority member.

Ivey is the former principal assistant to the director of capital planning and development at Washington State University, a position she held for 12 years. She has an extensive background providing administrative support in higher education, as well as assisting in reconciling multi-million dollar budgets and coordinating conferences and schedules. Ivey is a Clark College alumna.

Langland, who holds a doctorate in educational administration, is a 20-year veteran in grant and contract development, as well as public school federal program management. He has managed more than \$5 million in grants and contracts for public and nonprofit agencies. He is a former human resources analyst for Clark County and program director at the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory in Portland, Ore. Langland holds superintendent, principal and teacher licenses in Washington state. He has degrees from the University of Oregon and University of Washington.

The foundation has promoted current employee Sam Pollach to research coordinator. Pollach, who joined the foundation in 2011 as a database and administrative assistant, is a graduate of Lewis and Clark College with a bachelor's in communication.



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Established in 1973, the Clark College Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that serves as the fundraising partner of Clark College to support student access to educational programs and services. The foundation is nationally recognized for excellence in superior fundraising programs.

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