CCS FOUNDATION ANNUAL MINI-GRANT
WINTER 2014 RECIPIENTS

18 applications for CCS Foundation Annual Mini-Grants were submitted for consideration. Members of the evaluation committee included CCS Foundation Board members Scott Ewing, Lionel Greenwood and Wray Bjerkestrand, CCS representatives Glen Cosby, Brian Dudak, Ruth Kirkpatrick, Kathy Laise, Kathie Nellermoe, Scott Orme, Gary Schroeder and foundation staff members Patci Ryan and Jean McNeilly. Each application was carefully reviewed and discussed in terms of how the proposed project demonstrated a commitment to student learning and the college community. The committee was pleased to award 11 mini-grants for a total of $17,244. The recipients were:

Dawn Adjimovic, SCC Student, Undergraduate Research $2,500
Provide opportunities for undergraduate research in a variety of disciplines to enhance student success educationally and professionally. Institutional membership in the National Council for Undergraduate Research and various lab supplies and program support.

Jennifer Alt, SFCC Gateway to College Program, Northwest G & C Regional Student Leadership Conference, $2,500
SFCC G & C will coordinate with three other G & C programs in the northwest region to conduct a joint Student Leadership conference. 20 students from the SFCC Gateway will participate.

Suzanne Bassett, SCC Science Instructor, BteA Mutagenesis Research $2,500
A research experience will be provided to deepen student understanding of STEM content and raise awareness of the importance of immunizations. The goal is to encourage achievement in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields through classroom participation in an authentic research experience.

Andy Buddington, SCC Science Instructor, Cougar Gulch Precambrian Research $925
An undergraduate research project for Geology majors. Involves the field mapping, sampling and laboratory study of newly recognized Precambrian rocks in this region. Grant will be used to purchase sample preparations needed to complete the second and most important phase of the research to the Cougar Gulch in North Idaho.

Connie Carlson, SFCC Student Achievement Manager and **Penny Butters**, SFCC Director of Marketing & Outreach, Peer Services Team Student Success Outreach Branding $500
Project to create a common branding and provide professional wear for their Peer Services Team mentors/Tutors, Ask-a-Student, and Student ambassadors to promote student success through collaborative efforts. Staff will purchase identifying/logoed vests to identify team members at various campus activities.

Emily Dellwo, SCC Science Student, Detection Methods for Streptococcus Mutans $2,229
Preventing Endocarditis related to dental procedures; a chance to learn the "out of classroom" basics toward a future in science. Mini-Grant will be used to purchase necessary lab supplies and in order to isolate and identify the *cnm* gene from bacterial culture of S. *mutans*.

Loretta Etchison, SCC Floral Instructor, SCC Spring Flower Show $1,250
Project to partially fund the Spokane Community College Spring Flower Show by purchasing supplies, and inviting five high schools' floral students to partake in the sale. SCC Floral department students will have the opportunity to work in a real life situation.

Rebecca Goss, SCC Counselor, Accessible Online Student Success Workshop $1,250
Develop online student success workshops for distance learning and rural students utilizing universal design principles to ensure that all students are able to access this vital component of Student Services' student initiatives.

Megan Hulsey SCC Student, Fighting a Deadly Trend MRSA $590
Using natural compounds found in Inula Helenium to combat community acquired Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA). Department will purchase material and supplies for laboratory experiments.

Timothy Orton, SFCC Student Support Coordinator – Pullman Center, Student Learning & Development Resource Library $500
Partial grant awarded to fund the resource library, and provide faculty, students, tutors and mentors with information related to student learning and theory and development and build competency understanding differences in others.

Denise Osei, SFCC Counselor, Early College in the High School Student Support $2,500
Program housed at the Emmanuel Family Life Center in east central Spokane. Through this Early College High School (ECHS) Program high school students have an opportunity to earn college-level credits that not only help them towards their high school graduation requirements but also earn college-level credits. Students will receive assistance to cover mandatory fees and books.