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South Seattle Community College Achieves \$1.2 Million Culinary Campaign Goal

The South Seattle Community College (SSCC) Foundation has successfully completed the first capital campaign within the Seattle Community College District to raise private funds for a state building project.

SSCC met the \$1.2 million fundraising goal to expand and modernize the facilities of its highly regarded Culinary Arts program. SSCC also received an additional \$500,000 state matching grant.

The \$1.2 million raised by the SSCC Foundation will allow the Culinary Arts program to build a new teaching and demonstration kitchen and remodel and redesign its formal dining room and food court – laboratories where students gain valuable real-world experience.

The \$500,000 in state matching funds will allow the program to make further improvements, including new equipment for the existing instructional kitchen.

While the Culinary Arts program is modernizing its facilities, it continues to prove itself to be one of the most competitive in the region and country. In a national competition on July 21 and 22 in Las Vegas, the college's Junior Hot Food Team captured a silver medal and placed second among the top four teams in the nation. The event was sponsored by the American Culinary Federation, which is not only responsible for accrediting college programs but awards professional certification levels and helps perpetuate the culinary profession.

The design and development of the Culinary Arts facility improvements will be an exercise in teamwork as well, with department staff and faculty adding their hands-on experience to that of the architects. SSCC will be working with Mulvanny/G2 Architecture, which will lead the project and develop building design, and Anas Design Associates, Inc., which will be in charge of kitchen design.

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