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ANNUAL REPORT 2025



Langara College  
Foundation

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**Welcome.**

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# Territorial acknowledgement

snəwəyəł leləm Langara College acknowledges with respect our location on Musqueam unceded traditional territory. Our relationship with Musqueam is reflected in our use of the name snəwəyəł leləm, which means house of teachings and was given to the College in 2016 by Musqueam, and in the incorporation of the Musqueam symbol in the College's coat of arms.



# Supporting students, strengthening futures

MESSAGE FROM THE LANGARA COLLEGE FOUNDATION CHAIR AND VICE-PRESIDENT, EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

At Langara College Foundation, we believe in the power of education and the generosity that makes it possible. This year, thanks to our donors, alumni, and community partners, we had a very strong fundraising year, a meaningful reflection of the confidence our community has in Langara students and in the support systems that help them succeed. At a time when students and post-secondary institutions are facing real challenges, that support matters more than ever.

At Langara, or snəwəyəł leləm, house of teachings, we know student success depends on more than what happens in the classroom. As a close-knit learning community and an access-focused institution, we are committed to helping students not only arrive here, but thrive here.

That is why the Foundation's work is increasingly focused on direct student support. Today, our highest priority is helping fund bursaries, scholarships, emergency assistance, and other student supports that help level the playing field for students facing financial barriers or unexpected challenges.

This is the story we are proud to share: donor generosity making a real and immediate difference in students' lives. Every contribution helps create opportunity, strengthen belonging, and support students as they pursue career-ready credentials, university transfer pathways, and brighter futures.

To our donors, partners, and friends: thank you. Your support is helping Langara remain a place of opportunity, connection, and possibility for students across our community.



**Bruce Hurst**  
CFP, FCPA, FCGA, Chair,  
Langara College Foundation



**Yusuf Varachia**  
Vice-President, External Relations  
and Community Engagement

# Year in review



**\$12,572,787**  
2024 endowment balance



**991**  
Number of scholarships



**877**  
Number of bursaries



**\$1,810,517**  
Total awards and bursaries



**1226**  
Number of students assisted



**400**  
Number of donors

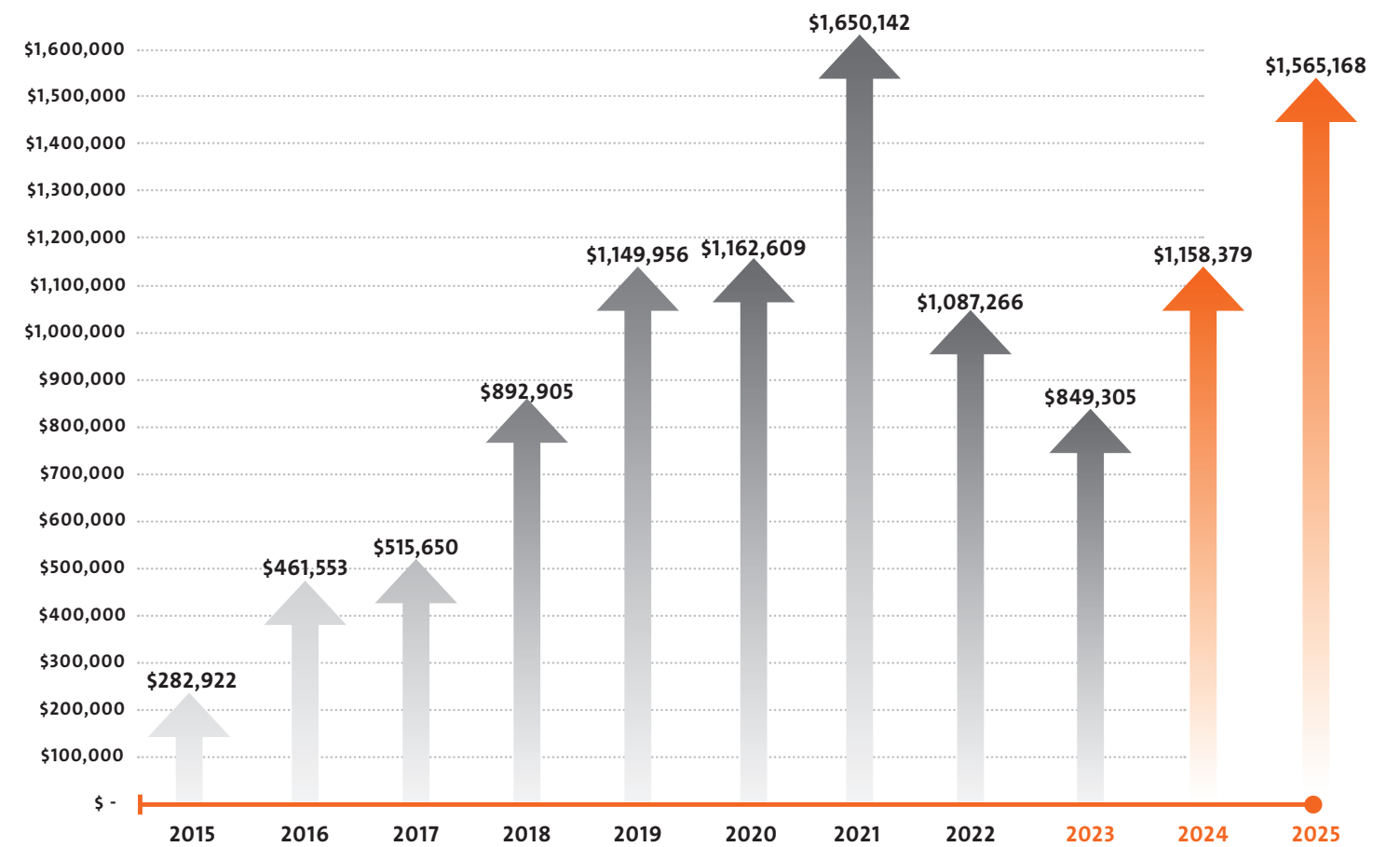
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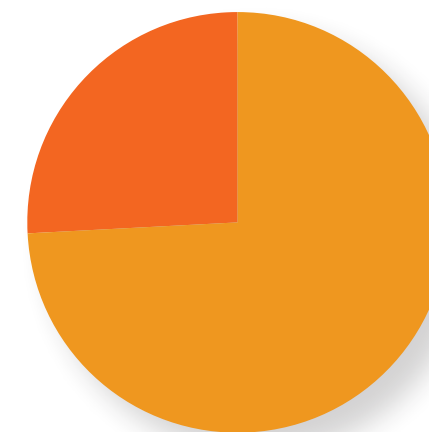
- **Bursaries**  
\$458,755
- **Scholarships**  
\$1,351,762
- **Other projects**  
\$3,076,636

Total distributions for 2025 = \$4,887,153

## DONATIONS RECEIVED 2015–2025



## SUMMARY OF DONATIONS 2025



- **Annual/other donations**  
\$1,376,819
- **Endowed donations**  
\$188,349

Total donations for 2025 = \$1,565,168

Total donations for 2024 = \$1,158,379

# How donor support is shaping the next generation of nurses

DONOR SUPPORT IS HELPING LANGARA STUDENTS STAY IN SCHOOL, SUCCEED, AND GIVE BACK.



For Layla, a Langara nursing student and recipient of the Beedie Luminaries scholarship, that support has been transformative. It has eased financial pressure, strengthened her confidence, and allowed her to focus on her education and future.

Layla's decision to pursue nursing was shaped by her early experiences. Born in Syria and raised in Canada, her view of healthcare was influenced by the impact of war and the people who kept showing up to help.

"The healthcare workers who continued to show up, even in the most difficult conditions, really inspired me," she says.

Layla's path to nursing has been shaped not only by ambition, but by the removal of barriers that once put post-secondary education out of reach.

## BEEDIE LUMINARIES: MORE THAN A SCHOLARSHIP

Beedie Luminaries is a B.C. scholarship program that supports students facing financial barriers with up to \$44,000 over four years, along with mentorship, advising, and peer networks.

"Beedie Luminaries offers more than financial support. It provides empowerment, mentorship, and belonging," says Martina Meckova, Vice President, Beedie Philanthropies.

Beyond financial relief, mentorship and peer support have strengthened Layla's confidence and sense of connection. "It's reassuring to know that I'm not alone," she says.

## FINANCIAL RELIEF THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE

Before receiving the award, post-secondary education came with significant financial pressure. Layla balanced her studies with responsibilities at home while navigating uncertainty about how to cover costs. Receiving the Beedie Luminaries scholarship changed that.

"It gave me confidence that my goals are achievable despite the obstacles I've faced," she says.

With fewer financial barriers, she has been able to focus more fully on her studies and take advantage of opportunities that support her growth.

## THE BROADER IMPACT AT LANGARA

At Langara, support like this makes a real difference.

Last year, students benefited from Beedie Luminaries scholarships, gaining financial support along with mentorship, advising, and a strong community that supports long-term success.

For Layla, it created more room for focus, confidence, and a clearer sense of what comes next.



*"The award has significantly reduced my financial stress, allowing me to focus more on my studies and fully engage in my nursing program," she says. "Instead of constantly worrying about expenses, I can dedicate more time and energy to learning and developing my skills as a future nurse."*

– Layla Ayyash

# Hudson Williams: A Langara alumnus on the rise



Hudson Williams, who completed Langara's Film Arts (Acting) certificate in 2020, has become one of our most visible recent alumni.

The breakout star on Crave's *Heated Rivalry*, recently returned to campus to discuss his journey from graduation to starring in a hit show that brought him wide public attention and marked a major step in his acting career.

Since then, his profile has kept growing. *Heated Rivalry* became Crave's No. 1 original series debut on record in its first seven-day streaming window and was renewed for a second season. Williams was also named a Canadian Screen Award nominee for best lead performer in a drama series. He recently completed filming *Yaga*, a new Crave mystery thriller starring Carrie-Anne Moss and was cast in a leading role opposite Dylan O'Brien in the feature film *Apparatus*, directed by Sofia Banzhaf. Hudson also appears in Laufey's *Madwoman* music video as the love interest.

What stands out in Williams' story is the base he built at Langara. Our Film Arts program gives students room to work across acting, writing, directing and production in a close, hands-on setting. It allows students to create their own work, keep building after graduation and stay active in a field that asks a great deal of young artists.

By supporting our students and programs, you can help make stories like Hudson Williams' possible. The impact may begin in a classroom or on a set, then carry forward long after graduation, in the work alumni go on to do and the places their careers take them.

Watch our full interview with Hudson Williams on [langara.ca](https://langara.ca)



"I took a two week acting course right before grade 12. And when I was looking for something more serious, the Langara Film Arts program just seemed like the best combo of my love for film and acting."

– Hudson Williams

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