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Siskiyou Promise Supports Students

Weed / COS –On November 27, our community will come together for North State Giving Tuesday, and we need YOU to join us. For 14 hours, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. you can give where you live. Support the College of the Siskiyous Foundation and our Siskiyou Promise Scholarship Program by making a tax-deductible donation online at www.northstategives.org.

As education costs rise, more and more middle-income families find themselves stretched to pay for college, just missing the threshold for federal financial aid. At the same time, being able to focus on their studies full-time has been shown to significantly benefit a student's ability to succeed in college.

In January 2016, the COS Foundation along with the College of the Siskiyous developed a new scholarship called the "Siskiyou Promise" for graduates of Siskiyou and Modoc County high schools. The Siskiyou Promise Scholarship is offered to every Siskiyou County and Modoc County high school graduate who enrolls at COS the fall semester immediately following their high school graduation. (First eligible to apply for the Siskiyou Promise was Class of 2016). Now in its third year, nearly 500 students have attended College of the Siskiyous full time as Siskiyou Promise students.

The Siskiyou Promise Scholarship is intended to be the "last dollar" scholarship used to cover tuition and other mandatory fees not covered by federal or state grant sources. The Siskiyou Promise Scholarship helps address these issues by offering a two-year scholarship so that students can focus on their education – rather than their finances!

What does the Siskiyou Promise pay for?

- First Year (term immediately following high school graduation)—Tuition and fees for fall and spring semesters (student must register as full-time student and maintain full-time status for both terms.)
- Second Year Continuation (term immediately following first year at COS—Tuition and fees for fall and spring semesters (student must register as full-time student and maintain full-time status for both terms.)
- \$200 Book Voucher—for both the fall and spring semesters

North State Giving Tuesday is generously hosted by the Shasta Regional Community Foundation and is generously sponsored by Redding Bank of Commerce and United Way of Northern California. It is the first-ever region-wide giving day, where Shasta and Siskiyou County residents will go online at www.northstategives.org and make donations to support over 170 nonprofits like the COS Foundation that serve the community in so many different ways. All gifts are 100% tax deductible, as allowed by law and will be receipted for tax purposes by Shasta Regional Community Foundation.

For more information about the Siskiyou Promise Scholarship call (530) 938-5373 or send an email to foundation@siskiyous.edu. The Weed Campus can also be reached by calling (530) 938-5555 or toll-free (888) 397-4339. Information about the COS Foundation can also be found online at www.siskiyous.edu/foundation/. The community's support on November 27th is not only important to the College of the Siskiyous, it is vital to the success of our students!