

Dear Chamber Member,

As active member in our community, you know that giving back to our community is essential. It is what will make this area continue to thrive for years to come. Our team has decided to give back to Perry Tech by raising money for scholarships.

Our group values higher education and we see Perry Tech as a catalyst for change. The school is helping to break the cycle of poverty in one of Washington's poorest counties by equipping students with the skills they need to earn family supportable wages. Perry Tech has continued to evolve to meet the needs of industry and has removed the stigma that technical careers are available to men only. Perry's female enrollment continues to increase as the school has expanded its course offerings to include: Medical Assistant and Business Technology & Accounting.

While Perry provides students with the training necessary to secure jobs, it does come at a price.

My team would like to award at least **five students a \$1,500 scholarship** during the spring 2014 Perry Technical Foundation Scholarship cycle, for a **bold goal of raising a total of \$7,500 or more**.

These scholarships will be awarded to individuals who are seeking to make a difference not only in their own lives, but in the community. By investing in their futures, we hope to build strong, productive leaders who will contribute to a vibrant Yakima economy, consider owning their own businesses and ultimately help to perpetuate the cycle of success.

Please consider donating a gift that will go towards the Perry Technical Institute "*Leadership Yakima Scholarship*." Our goal is to make this a fund that not only lasts through one cycle, but could provide funds for years to come. Any amount given will go a long way to make a difference.

All donations are tax-deductible and 100% of your donation will go to provide scholarships. You may donate online at http://www.perrytech.edu/donate.html or mail a check to: Perry Technical Foundation 2011 West Washington Avenue Yakima, WA 98903

Please include "**Leadership Yakima**" in the subject line so that the funds are designated for our scholarship. You will also receive a letter acknowledging your gift for tax purposes. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely.

Sara Willson Solarity Credit Union

Memorial Hospital

/Lisa R**i**ckman Central Valley Bank

Kelly Fox Tacoma Goodwill

Perry Technical Institute