Dear Scholarship Supporter:

We'd like to take a moment to *thank*you for your generosity and support of our students at Southern Maine Community College through your scholarship fund. Please know what a direct and lasting impact your giving has on the students -- helping to ease some of their financial concerns as they manage busy lives full of classes, work and family.

These words are representative of so many of our students and scholarship recipients . . .

"I can honestly say that being at SMCC I am surrounded by a group of individuals that truly want to help me reach the goals I want to pursue in life. I'm the first person in my family to attend college, and I'm glad I chose to attend SMCC. The location is beautiful, and the classes fulfilling. I came to SMCC because I wasn't sure what I wanted to be for the rest of my life, and the school gave me the chance to explore different majors and decide what suits me the best. I'm currently double majoring, and I finish my Criminal Justice degree this spring. I hope to continue at SMCC for my degree in Radiology. **I am so appreciative of this scholarship.** During the school year it's hard for me to find time to keep a full time job, and I'd risk hurting my GPA. Money has been tight, but I believe it's very important to continue with an education."

We thank you for *your*role in helping SMCC students succeed. Our very best for a healthy and happy New Year.

Kaylene Waindle Dean of Advancement Southern Maine Community College