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US Bank gives \$2500 to PTC's *Bridging the Dream* scholarship campaign

PINE CITY, Minn. – US Bank of Pine City gave \$2500 to Pine Technical College's annual *Bridging the Dream* scholarship campaign today. The gift will support two scholarships for two full-time PTC students starting this fall.

"We are proud to support higher education in our community," says Frank Christopherson, President of US Bank of Pine City. "Pine Technical College is a great asset to the county and region, and we are pleased to be able to assist PTC students, and in turn, the college, and the community," Christopherson adds.

The PTC Foundation initiated the annual *Bridging the Dream* campaign in 2000, and each year, the campaign raises and awards nearly \$30,000 to PTC students in the form of scholarships. US Bank has been a longtime supporter of PTC; the bank has given regularly to the scholarship fund since 2003. Altogether, US Bank has given \$14,250 to the college and PTC students.

"The entire PTC community is grateful to US Bank," PTC President Robert Musgrove says. "Our students directly benefit from the annual campaign, and in the long run, the community benefits by having educated graduates contributing to the economy and serving in their various, trained roles," Musgrove adds.

Pine Technical College, established in 1965 and accredited by the [Higher Learning Commission](#), serves more than 1,200 students and awards certificates, diplomas and associate degrees. PTC's notable programs include accounting, American Sign Language, automotive technology, business administration, business technology, computer programming, computer science, early childhood development, gunsmithing technology, network administration, practical nursing, precision manufacturing/machining (CNC), public welfare financial worker, and many more.

PTC is a proud member of the [Minnesota State Colleges and Universities](#) system, which is comprised of 32 state universities and community and technical colleges serving the higher education needs of Minnesota. The system serves about 277,000 students per year in credit-based courses and an additional 157,000 students in noncredit courses. PTC is accepting applications for new students in all programs; fall courses will start Aug. 22. For more information, call 320-629-5100.

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Photo: Frank Christopherson, President of US Bank of Pine City, gives a check in the amount of \$2,500 to Robert Musgrove, President of Pine Technical College. The gift represents a significant portion of PTC's annual *Bridging the Dream* scholarship fund.

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