

**DATE: October 18, 2023**

**TO: Board of Regents**

**FROM: Jane Karas, Ph.D., President, Flathead Valley Community College**

**RE: Campus Report for the November 2023 Board of Regents' Meeting**

- The Flathead Valley Community College Foundation hosted its 16th annual fall Festival of Flavors events from September 29 through October 7. Between these and events throughout the year, the community raised a total of \$400,000 for student scholarships.
- A hybrid CNA course is being offered at FVCC's Kalispell and Lincoln County campus with 13 students enrolled; ten are in Lincoln County (not previously offered) based on community need and student interest.
- The FVCC Foundation raised over \$50,000 in the Great Fish Community Challenge put on annually by the Whitefish Chamber of Commerce to help raise funds for local nonprofit organizations.
- FVCC Career Services partnered with Job Service Kalispell, Discover Kalispell, the Daily Inter Lake and Workforce Flathead to connect students and community job seekers to local employers at the NW Montana Job & Opportunity Fair. The fair included 72 employers, 10 veteran service providers, and 324 job seekers in attendance.
- FVCC's Natural Resource Conservation and Management students hosted a training for a new citizen science mapping effort to investigate the decline of ponderosa pine trees in the Flathead Valley. The community was invited to this effort to assist students, researchers and natural resource managers in their understanding of the distribution of pine decline.