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Charter Oak State College Alum, Dr. George Moker is paying-it-forward, big-time!

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To help other students realize their dreams of degree completion and to say, “thank you to Charter Oak,” Dr. George G. Moker endowed a scholarship fund at Charter Oak State College Foundation with a generous initial gift totaling \$10,000. The first awarding of the Moker Scholarship will be in the fall of 2021.

Given George’s leverage of his COSC degree, the entrepreneurial and education opportunities were abundant. His journey and his success lead George to a belief that first-generation college students can achieve success – no matter how it is defined. It is this belief that motivated George to be a life-long learner, with a commitment to transformational education, and to become a benefactor of his first alma mater. His gift will last in perpetuity and give financial assistance to Charter Oak students striving to complete their degrees in a business program.

George’s journey began as a graduate of Charter Oak State College in 1989, he received his CPA license in Connecticut in 1993. After a stint at a public company and CPA firm in Connecticut, George continued his career by becoming a Controller, Vice President of Operations, and eventually CFO at an aerospace support firm that brought him to Massachusetts. Currently, George is Managing Director of Ambrosi Donahue Congdon, a CPA firm in northern Massachusetts, as well as the Carol Sawyer Parks Chair for Entrepreneurial Studies, Director of the Center of Entrepreneurship, and full-time faculty at Suffolk University in Boston. George completed his MBA from Suffolk University, and his Doctor of Education (with a concentration in creativity and innovation), in 2019.

Carol Hall, Executive Director of COSC Foundation noted, “George’s generous contribution embodies the power of paying-it-forward. The idea that once you have made it, you should help another. He is literally helping to lift others out of poverty, helping to reduce student loan debt, and encouraging first-generation college students to achieve their dream (of degree completion).” The Foundation and Charter Oak State College are grateful for this generous philanthropic engagement as we work towards increasing scholarship funding at this critical time.

The Charter Oak State College Foundation, Inc. (www.CharterOak.edu/Foundation) was founded September 15, 1977 and is dedicated to assisting Charter Oak State College students achieve their academic and career aspirations. The Foundation Board of Directors provides volunteer leadership for development and fundraising programs and stewardship of the Foundation’s assets in order to assist deserving and underemployed adult students with college costs. The Foundation provides financial

support for the flexible and comprehensive degree completion opportunities for adults, and technology innovations through the work of Charter Oak State College. The Foundation is exempt from tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Founded in 1973, Charter Oak State College (www.CharterOak.edu) is Connecticut's public online college, offering associate and bachelor's degrees in high-demand fields including Health Information Management, Nursing, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Education and Business Administration. The College offers master's degrees in Health Care Administration, Health Informatics and Organizational Effectiveness and Leadership. Charter Oak is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education and governed by Connecticut's Board of Regents for Higher Education.

*Charter Oak State College's [Bachelor of Science in Business Administration](#) has been ranked #12 in [OnlineU's 2021 ranking of Best Online College's](#) offering Bachelor's Business degrees. The accolade is based on median post-graduate salary data of over 450,000 alumni, sourced from the U.S. Department of Education's College Scorecard.

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