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Supporting Basic Needs for colleges and universities is absolutely essential. So many of our students are coming from low income homes where their parents cannot provide extra support, and have no idea how to navigate the state and federal systems to receive things like SNAP benefits. In order to ensure that college is accessible to all, we need to have these supports in place so every student has access to food, housing, and other basic needs to be able to focus on their studies. This is how we ensure the social mobility of a college degree and work to end cycles of poverty. Thank you for considering the continuation of these funds that make it possible for our most vulnerable Oregonians to obtain a college degree.