

Bristol Community College held a plaque unveiling ceremony in dedication of Loretta George, founder of the Bristol Community College Foundation, on Wednesday, June 12

On Wednesday, June 12, Bristol Community College held a plaque unveiling ceremony outside of the college's development and foundation office, on the Bristol Fall River campus, in dedication to Loretta George, the cherished founder of the *Bristol Community College Foundation*.

Loretta George, of Fall River, was a dedicated, visionary community leader who was committed to making opportunities for public education available to everyone. Under Mrs. George's leadership, the *Bristol Community College Foundation* was developed more than 39 years ago, with a mission to "obtain financial support to enhance the ability of Bristol to meet the lifelong educational needs of the growing and changing communities it serves."

Wednesday's ceremony included brief remarks in appreciation of Mrs. George's lasting impact from both Bristol Community College President Laura L. Douglas, Ph.D. and Bristol Community College Foundation Board President Thomas P. Murray. The plaque, installed by the door of the development and foundation office, containing Mrs. George's image, was unveiled by her niece Charlene Joaquim and Bristol Community College President Emeritus Eileen Farley.

The event was attended by Mrs. George's family, friends and colleagues, who gathered around the custom plaque that reads "*Bristol Community College and the Bristol Community College Foundation dedicate these offices to the memory of Loretta George, who established a culture of philanthropy as a founding member of the Foundation and was a role model and pathfinder for woman leaders in the Greater Fall River Community. With gratitude for her years of service, 1980 – 2013. Dedicated this 12th day of June 2019, Fall River, Massachusetts.*"

The *Bristol Community College Foundation*, is a nonprofit organization utilizing community donations and partnerships, to support Bristol's mission to meet the lifelong educational needs of the community. The Foundation empowers our region by providing the college community with life-changing scholarships, campus grants, and emergency loans.

For more information, or to donate to the *Bristol Community College Foundation*, please visit www.bristolcc.edu/about/thebristolfoundation/.

About Bristol Community College

Bristol Community College is a leading resource for education and workforce development in Southeastern Massachusetts. Bristol has locations in Fall River, Attleboro, New Bedford, and Taunton, along with flexible online offerings that lead to an associate degree, a career ready certificate, or the ability to seamlessly transfer to baccalaureate colleges throughout the state and country. The college's Center for Workforce and Community Education provides customized

training for businesses and the community including healthcare, workforce and sustainable initiatives, and corporate services. The Bristol Community College Foundation, a nonprofit organization utilizing community donations and partnerships, supports the college's mission to meet the lifelong educational needs of the community. For more information, [visit bristolcc.edu](http://visit.bristolcc.edu).