



NJ's Community Colleges

**TEAM**  
**FOR**  
**TOMORROW**

Technology, Training, Tuition Relief



*"The remarkable expansion in community colleges is something which has really had a major positive effect on our workforce."*

**Alan Greenspan**  
**Chairman of the Federal Reserve**

*"Community colleges have an important role to play in making certain we have the skilled workers ready to help businesses take advantage of all the opportunities in the Digital Age."*

**Bill Gates**  
**CEO, Microsoft**

*"The invention of the community college is the greatest innovation of twentieth-century American higher education."*

**Clark Kerr**  
**President Emeritus, Berkeley**

*"Support your community colleges . . . the backbone of America's all-important lifelong learning network."*

**Tom Peters**  
**Author and Management Guru**

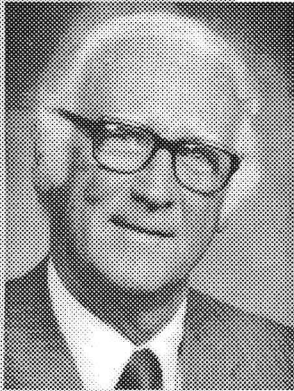


## **Raymond H. Bateman**

Former New Jersey State Senator Raymond H. Bateman has served on the Raritan Valley Community College Board of Trustees for 23 years, the last 21 as its chairman. As a Senator, he co-authored the legislation that created New Jersey's community colleges over 30 years ago. A pioneer of community colleges, he helped define their mission, developed public policy, and continues to advocate for adequate State funding as a co-chair of NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow.

Mr. Bateman served 19 years in the New Jersey Legislature. He was Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the New Jersey Assembly and New Jersey State Senate and served three terms as President of the Senate. He also served over 100 days as Acting Governor.

Mr. Bateman is president of Public Affairs Consultants in Somerville.

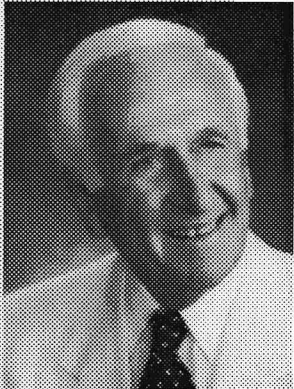


## **William T. Hiering**

Former New Jersey State Senator William T. Hiering has served on the Ocean County College Board of Trustees for 20 years, the last 14 as its chairman. As a Senator, he co-authored the legislation that created New Jersey's community colleges over 30 years ago and was a vigorous supporter of the referendum that established Ocean County College as the first community college in the state. A pioneer of community colleges, he helped define their mission, developed public policy, and continues to advocate for adequate State funding as a co-chair of NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow.

Mr. Hiering was elected to the General Assembly in 1958 and re-elected in 1961 and 1963. Two years later, he was elected to the Senate, was re-elected in 1967, and served until 1971, when he was appointed counsel to the New Jersey Highway Authority.

Mr. Hiering is a member of the law firm of Hiering, Dupignac and Stanzione in Toms River.



## **Norman Tanzman**

Former New Jersey State Senator and Assemblyman Norman Tanzman served as a member and Vice Chairman of the Middlesex County College Board of Trustees from 1976 to 1990. As an Assemblyman, he supported the legislation that created New Jersey's community colleges over 30 years ago. A longtime supporter of New Jersey's community colleges, he continues to advocate for adequate State funding as a co-chair of NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow.

Mr. Tanzman was elected to the New Jersey General Assembly in 1960, re-elected in 1961, 1963, 1965, and served as Assistant Majority Leader in 1967. He was elected to the New Jersey Senate in 1967 and re-elected in 1971, serving until 1974.

Mr. Tanzman is a member of the real estate firm Jacobson, Goldfarb & Tanzman Associates in Woodbridge.



## **Stephen B. Wiley**

Former New Jersey State Senator Stephen B. Wiley has supported the state's community colleges since their inception in the 1960's. During that time as Counsel to the Governor of New Jersey, Mr. Wiley helped to establish New Jersey's community college system. A longtime supporter of New Jersey's community colleges, he continues to advocate for adequate State funding as a co-chair of NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow.

As a State Senator, Mr. Wiley was Chair of the Senate Education Committee, the Joint Committee on Public Schools and the Senate Rules Committee, and a leader for education, tax and legislative reform. He also served as Chair of the Board of Higher Education of the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Wiley is a partner of Wiley, Malehorn and Sirota, a law firm in Morristown.

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New Jersey's community colleges were founded on the basic funding principle of one-third, one-third, one-third — that is, one-third funding from the state, one-third from the counties, and one-third from tuition. However, by 1996, the state's share had slipped to 24 percent. As a result, tuition at New Jersey's community colleges was one of the highest in the country.

A Blue Ribbon Committee was established in 1996 to advocate for increased state funding to community colleges. That committee — now called NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow — was successful in convincing the Governor and the Legislature to support a plan to move state funding to community colleges back to the one-third level. This plan requires an \$84 million increase in state funding to community colleges, which the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education master plan recommends be phased in over seven years. Four \$12 million increases in state funding have been provided to date; three more are needed.

Completion of this seven-year state funding plan will provide important resources for technology, training, and tuition relief.

## Technology

According to the New Jersey Technology Council, four of New Jersey's five major growth industries are driven by information technology. The good news for New Jersey's capacity to support these important industries is that more people have access to computers and the Internet than ever before. The bad news is that African Americans, Hispanics, and residents of rural communities have far less access to this technology considered a necessity to participate in the new economy.

The U.S. Department of Congress has called this disparity in access to technology "the digital divide." No other institutions are better positioned than community colleges to eliminate this digital divide. Community colleges can gear up quickly, they are widely accessible, they are affordable, and they have experience in teaching nontraditional students who are more racially and ethnically diverse.

Fortunately, we are on the right track here in New Jersey. The recent increases in state funding have enabled New Jersey's community colleges to purchase new technologies and offer a wide variety of computer-related training programs to citizens throughout the state. Completion of the one-third, one-third, one-third funding plan will ensure that New Jersey's community colleges continue to have the technology needed to close the digital divide.

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# Training

Most New Jersey companies have little trouble finding managers, scientists, and other professional employees. But they do have great difficulty in finding entry- and mid-level technicians in their local labor markets. This is where community colleges can help. By investing in community colleges, New Jersey can provide the highly skilled technical workers so critically needed in today's economy.

A recent report by the National Education Association concluded that "legislators consider public community colleges to be the most responsive overall to state education and training needs." And a report by the Chase Manhattan Bank similarly confirmed "the powerful economic development role that community colleges can play." It concluded "businesses are finding that the often overlooked, typically underfunded two-year community college is a goldmine," but cautioned that "rising student costs threaten the ability of community colleges to play an essential role in alleviating the pinch of tight labor market conditions."

Again, we are on the right track in New Jersey. Our community colleges are the largest provider of higher education in the state, enrolling nearly a quarter of a million students each semester. They offer a wide range of high quality transfer and occupational programs, and they are also a premier provider of customized training to businesses large and small throughout the state. The recent increases in state funding have helped our community colleges to become large and successful workforce development operations. Completion of the one-third, one-third, one-third funding plan will ensure that New Jersey's community colleges continue to provide the training programs needed throughout the state.

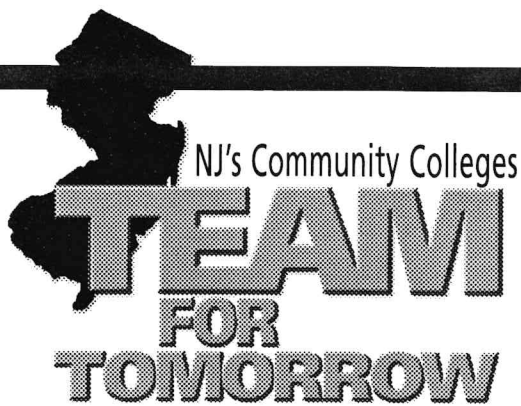
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# Tuition Relief

Affordability has been and will continue to be the cornerstone of the American community college movement. Four years ago, tuition at New Jersey's community colleges was one of the highest in the country. The doors of opportunity were closing to many in the Garden State.

Fortunately, we are now back on the right track in New Jersey. Because of the recent increases in state funding, many community colleges have frozen tuition for three, four, and even five years in a row, with others having only modest increases. This kind of statewide tuition relief is unprecedented in New Jersey and even throughout the country. But there is more work still to be done. Completion of the one-third, one-third, one-third funding plan will ensure that New Jersey's community colleges continue to remain affordable for years to come.

New Jersey's community colleges pledge a statewide tuition freeze in Fall 2002 in exchange for the next governor's support of a \$12 million increase in state aid to community colleges in FY 2003, which will be the fifth year of the NJ's Community Colleges Team for Tomorrow seven-year funding plan.



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**3. Brookdale Community College**

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(732) 224-2000

**4. Burlington County College**

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**5. Camden County College**

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**6. Cumberland County College**

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**7. Essex County College**

303 University Avenue, Newark, NJ 07102  
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**8. Gloucester County College**

1400 Tanyard Road, Sewell, NJ 08080  
(856) 468-5000

**9. Hudson County Community College**

25 Journal Square, Jersey City, NJ 07306  
(201) 656-2020

**10. Mercer County Community College**

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(732) 548-6000

**12. County College of Morris**

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(973) 328-5000

**13. Ocean County College**

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(732) 255-0400

**14. Passaic County Community College**

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**19. Warren County Community College**

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