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- After retiring from a job after 30 years I knew I had to start over and that is when I decided to attend school to better my chances of finding a job. After enrolling my daughter I decided to get information for myself. The community college atmosphere was a right fit for me.
- It is so important that the tuition remains affordable for many reasons:
 1. Most of the adults that have returned to school are displaced workers trying to begin another career.
 2. Many are students whose parents chose the community college because tuition in a four year university was out of reach for many.
 3. Many of the available courses and services that are available are much more cost effective in the community college but are also transferrable to the four year university.
- Budget cuts may jeopardize many of the programs and courses that students need to complete their education
- My hope is to graduate with an Associate's Degree in Human Services and to begin phase two of my life with hopes of getting a position in the field of social services.