The Walter R. Peterson Award is presented annually by the Community College System of New Hampshire and hosted by one of the colleges on a rotating basis.

Funds will benefit River Valley Community College Scholarship through the Community College of NH Foundation. The Community Colleges of New Hampshire Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization.

To make a donation online, go to www.rivervalley.edu/about-rvcc and select DONATE TO RVCC. Select the Donate to Walter R. Peterson Fund at RVCC NOW link and you will be redirected to the CCSNH QuickPay screen for credit card information.

Make checks payable to River Valley Community College and return with donor card.

For more information, please contact Jillian Davis, Executive Assistant to the President, jedavis@ccsnh.edu• 603-542-7744 ext. 5527
**Walter R. Peterson Award for Education and Public Service**

**Walter Rutherford Peterson**

The Walter R. Peterson Award recognizes individuals whose contribution to higher education best exemplifies the late Walter Peterson’s values of public service and devotion to higher education. As former Governor of New Hampshire, he never stopped caring about New Hampshire and the issues facing the people and the state. He served as president of Franklin Pierce College for 20 years making sweeping changes and endearing himself to everyone on campus.

He worked with the boards of the University System of New Hampshire and Community College System to ensure community college credits would transfer to schools in the university system.

**Barbara Couch**

Barbara Couch has been a champion of education and an active member of numerous business and community organizations. Couch established the first guidance program for the K-8 school in Plainfield, NH where she served as school counselor until 1987 when she joined Hypertherm to establish the companies’ first human resources department. In that role, she helped grow the company from 100 to 1,000 associates as Vice President of Human Resources. Currently, she is Vice President of Corporate Social Responsibility. Along with her husband, she was the recipient of the first Community Leadership Award from the Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Alicia B. Harvey-Smith**

Dr. Alicia Harvey-Smith is the tenth president of River Valley Community College. Before being appointed President of River Valley Community College, she served as the Vice-President for Student Affairs at Baltimore City Community College, a state-sponsored institution serving 19,000 students. An enthusiastic and dynamic learning-centered educator with more than 25 years of experience in education leadership instruction, training, development and counseling, Dr. Alicia B. Harvey-Smith views leadership as a “calling to serve.” She believes that serving students in her role as College President is the convergence of her passion and purpose.

**Sponsorships**

**River Valley Platinum Partner**

$75,000
VIP Reception - Reserved table for 10
Speaking opportunity during the event
Listing in the program - Full page ad in the program
Recognition in printed material, website and on press releases

**New Hampshire Partner**

$50,000
VIP Reception - Reserved table for 10
Listing in the program - Full page ad in the program
Recognition in printed material, website and on press releases

**Chancellor’s Partner**

$25,000
VIP Reception - Reserved table for 10
Listing in the program - Full page ad in the program
Recognition in printed material

**President’s Partner**

$10,000
VIP Reception - Reserved table for 10
Listing in the program - Half page ad in the program

**Summa Cum Laude Partner**

$5,000
VIP Reception - Reserved table for 10
Listing in the program - Quarter page ad in the program

**Magna Cum Laude Partner**

$2,500
Reserved seating for 5
Listing in the program - Quarter page ad in the program

**Education Partner**

$1,000
Reserved seating for 2
Listing in the program

River Valley Community College offers over 37 programs, transfer options to 4-year colleges, financial aid and scholarships, while preparing students for lifelong learning, careers and citizenship.
To the Walter R. Peterson Scholarship Fund for River Valley Community College students,

I donate ________________________________

Make check payable to River Valley Community College.

If paying by credit card, go to www.rivervalley.edu/about-rvcc and select DONATE TO RVCC. Select the Donate to Walter R. Peterson Fund at RVCC NOW link and you will be redirected to the CCSNH QuickPay screen for credit card information.

Name: _____________________________________ Email: ______________________________

Address: _____________________________________ Phone: ______________________________

City, State, Zip: ________________________________

Your donation is tax deductible. River Valley Community College is part of the CCSNH Foundation, which is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.