Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College partner together to maximize community resources and provide a transformative education that puts students on a pathway to success. By fostering relationships with community-based organizations, businesses, and four-year institutions, DCTC and Inver Hills give students a myriad of unique learning opportunities. Both colleges work to meet the academic demands of students by offering a variety of online and in-person options and the holistic needs of students by providing food, transportation, and mental health services.

**Contributing to the Minnesota Economy**

- Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College generate an annual impact of **$331.4 million**. This includes a direct impact of $190.2 million and an indirect/induced impact of $141.3 million.
- Spending on operations and capital projects generates $135.1 million of the total impact, and student and visitor spending generates $196.3 million.

**Supporting and Sustaining Jobs in the State**

- Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College support and sustain 2,526 Minnesota jobs (1,796 direct and 730 indirect/induced). These jobs are at both colleges and in the communities they serve – 553 direct jobs are employees of Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College.

**Generating Local and State Tax Revenue**

- The combined tax impact of Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College, its suppliers, students and visitors is **$26.6 million**. This includes a direct impact of $18 million and indirect/induced impact of $8.6 million.
Alumni in the State Generate Additional Impact

An estimated 13,840 Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College alumni living and working in Minnesota are continuing to make a positive economic impact after graduation. These graduates are an integral part of the Minnesota workforce, impacting the economy not only through their spending but also through the extra earning power generated by their Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College degree.

Each year, Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College alumni generate $158.2 million in economic impact for Minnesota and support and sustain 844 jobs. Over their 40-year career, Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College alumni will generate $6.3 billion in the economy. These impacts are based on the added value of earning a degree from Dakota County Technical College or Inver Hills Community College, not alumni full wages. This impact is based upon the total number of alumni in Minnesota 10 years after graduation.

Making a Difference in the Community and State

Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College are connected to the communities they serve. Leading the way in service to veterans, they ranked among the nation’s Best Colleges for Veterans. In addition to their top-notch services for veterans, both Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College have a number of campus clubs that give students hands-on, engaging opportunities to make a lasting impact. Students regularly hold food drives, blood drives, highway clean-ups, register-to-vote campaigns, and more. Inver Hills Community College and Dakota County Technical College joined forces to host the Fourth Annual Day of Service on the Inver Hills campus, online via Zoom, and at various locations in the surrounding community.

Through its work with Dakota-Scott County Workforce Investment Board, Enterprise Minnesota, chambers of commerce, and business and industry, Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College provide invaluable resources to serve the workforce needs of businesses in the southeast Metro. True college experiences with flexibility and individual pathways developed to promote student success, ensure that Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College make a significant, positive impacts in Dakota County.

Dakota County Technical College and Inver Hills Community College
Student Profile

8,786
students enrolled in fall 2022

1,465
graduates each year

32.8%
Pell recipients

18.6%
first-generation students attending college

1:20
20 students per full time faculty member

447
students currently enrolled are veterans

An estimated $4,534,881 in charitable donations and volunteer services are generated annually by faculty, staff, and students.

• $625,255 donated to local charitable organizations by faculty, staff, and students.

• $3,909,627 of volunteer time by faculty, staff, and students.

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