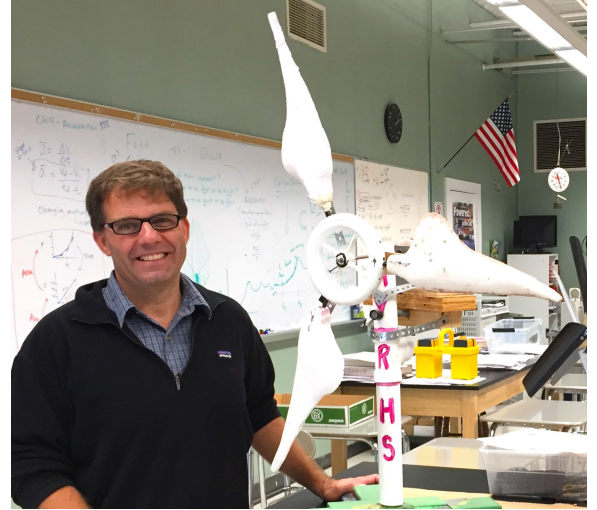


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Vision

We envision a Vineyard community that is economically and culturally rich—whose youth and adults are independent, self-confident and have the ability to achieve professional and personal goals.

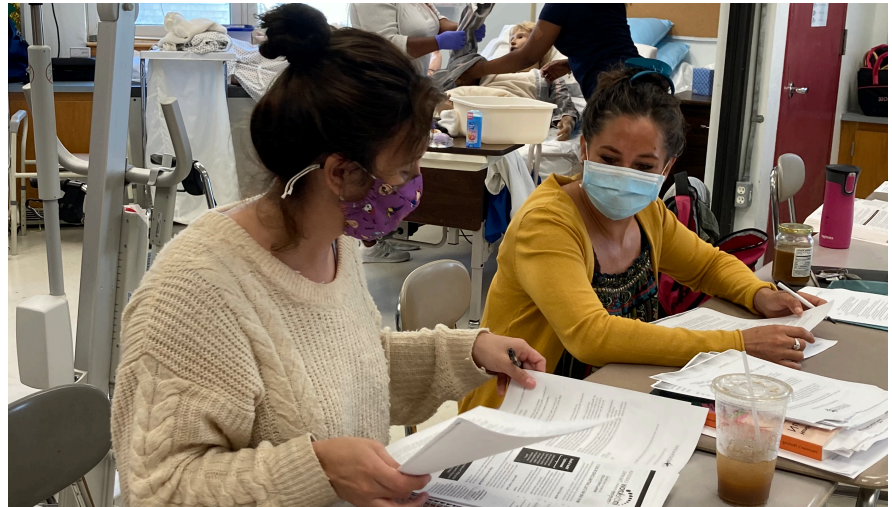
Mission

To provide our Vineyard residents and workforce with learning experiences that enable them to thrive through skill building, professional development, credentialing, and life-long learning.

Founded in 2008

501-c-3 tax-exempt nonprofit

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They say the only constant is change. Thanks to many supporters, teachers, and community partners, we are experiencing wonderful change that will benefit the entire Island in the coming years. ACE MV has, for instance, changed its name. We are now the **MV Center for Education & Training (MVCET)**.

And—excitingly—we are embarking on a new initiative to expand community college access for Islanders. You can read more about our progress for the **MV Community College Consortium** on page 3.

We are expanding our workforce education by partnering with Upper Cape Tech for satellite programs in Electrician Code and Theory and Nurse Aide Training. We are building a new partnership with MV Hospital to offer Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training. Vineyard residents have access to a wider range of professional credentials than ever before—as well as the supports they need to successfully complete courses.

Our team is growing—allowing us to bring to fruition all the goals we have for student services, innovative programming, and quality management.

All these changes bode well for our Island's residents, employers, and even those interested in learning simply for the pleasure of it. Because we value learning—that hasn't changed.

Executive Director



NEW!

COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONSORTIUM

MVCET Launches Innovative Pilot to Bring College to the Vineyard

Imagine growing up on Martha's Vineyard, graduating high school, and joining your peers in a high-quality college course here on the Island. You live with your family and hold down a day job — and in the evening, you are able to pursue an Associate's Degree or college certificate to expand your career options. Until now, this has been a dream for countless Vineyard residents who have had to move away from our community or forego college altogether.

Beginning this fall, MVCET's partnerships with Bristol Community College and Cape Cod Community College will bring college classes to the Island. In addition to MVCET's workforce certificates, licenses and (limited) degrees, Vineyard residents will now be able to enroll in general education college courses that lead to transferrable degrees.



MVCET's new community college consortium encourages colleges to invest in our community by providing general education college classes, while MVCET will provide needed wrap-around services that lead to student success.

An Innovative Approach

The goal is for residents to achieve Years 1 and 2 of college in-person while living on the Island, reducing travel, social, and financial barriers. The program will include academic core classes and



certificate pathways, leading to an Associate's Degree and basic credentials in health care, renewable energy, marine science, and other career options.

Our approach is a cohort model with built-in wraparound supports including in-person mentors, tutors, peer learning, childcare, transportation, and a welcoming study space. This will provide a sense of identity and purpose for Vineyard students, build confidence, and create a cohesive learning experience. It will also strengthen our Island economy by supporting local families and businesses.

How You Can Be Involved

Our Pilot Year begins now and is estimated to cost \$258,000.

You can help:

We need volunteer tutors and mentors to work with students; business planners and campaign experts to help design the program for the long-term; and other volunteers.

We also need funding to launch and sustain this vital project. Become a [Founding Donor](#) to support long-term access to college education for our special Island community.

MVCET PROGRAMMING

Workforce Education

MVCET makes credentials in trades, business, health care, renewable energy, language, and education accessible to Vineyard residents. With local providers, we identify needed employment skills and partner with higher ed institutions and state agencies to bring credential opportunities to the Island's families and economy.



Photo by Jeremy Driesen, MVTimes

323
Islanders enrolled in MVCET classes this fiscal year

18
Youth and young adults learned career readiness & financial literacy skills

60
Islanders learned Brazilian Portuguese – especially members of our merchant and business community

147
Islanders prepared for a certificate or license, or earned graduate credits



20
Vineyarders completed a 2A/1C Hoisting License course

22
Vineyard schoolteachers earned graduate credits in Portuguese Language & Brazilian Culture

8
Graduated from Bristol Community College's Offshore Wind Turbine Technician Certificate (see page 6 for details)

10
Vineyard residents completed Nurse Aide Training through our partnership with MVRHS-evening

22
Restaurant professionals earned ServSafe Manager Certifications

20
Vineyarders enrolled in Electrician Code & Theory (Levels 2-4) course through our partnership with Community School of Cape Cod Tech

34
Vineyard residents completed a Construction Supervisor's License exam prep course

55
Island partners joined our UMass Rural Scholars research on Youth and Young Adults

80
Students from both local high schools attended the Job Fair at MVRHS supported by MVCET



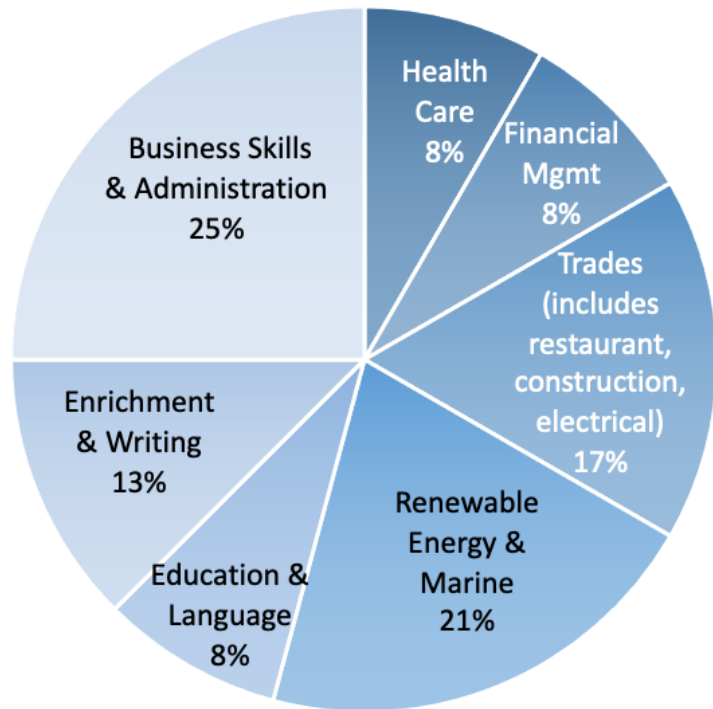
MVCET PROGRAMMING

Classes Run in FY22

Understanding Medicare 1 & 2
 Personal Financial Planning
 Nurse Aide Training*
 Construction Supervisor License Prep
 2A/1C Hoisting License
 Portuguese 1
 How to Write a Book Proposal
 Island Geology
 Writing a Memoir
 Fluid Systems (Hydraulics)
 Wind Power Technology
 Wind Power Operations & Maintenance
 Principles of Ecology
 Electrical Machinery
 Career Readiness
 Financial Literacy
 Public & Persuasive Speaking
 Grant Writing
 Intro to Quickbooks
 Fast Track Your Business Growth
 Electrical Code & Theory Levels 2, 3, & 4**
 ServSafe Manager for Restaurants
 The Science Behind Climate Change
 Graduate Course in Portuguese Language
 and Brazilian Culture for Teachers

*through MVRHS-evening

**through Community School at Cape Cod Tech



Higher-Ed Partnerships

We are honored to continue our established partnerships with mainland colleges and universities:

Fitchburg State University (we are one of 7 FSU Extended Campus partners)

Bristol Community College

Cape Cod Community College

Bridgewater State University

The Community School at Cape Cod Regional Technical High School

Upper Cape Cod Technical School



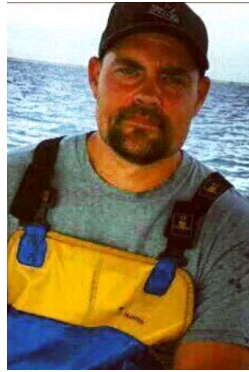
THESE MVCET STUDENTS ARE THE ISLAND'S FIRST WIND POWER TECHNOLOGY GRADUATES



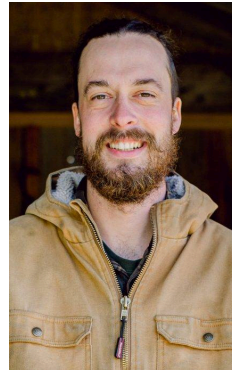
Michael Friedman



Patrick Cassidy



Clint Baker



John Twombly



Miles Bruccleri



Melanie Englert




Charlie Rice



Gabriel Bellebuono



Messias Albuquerque

 [Click here](#) to view interviews with our graduates

MVCET collaborated with Bristol Community College, MVRHS, and Vineyard Power Cooperative in 2019 to develop and launch Martha's Vineyard's first offshore wind turbine technician training program. The project has been consistently funded by the Mass Clean Energy Center (MassCEC), which has supported entry and access by Vineyard residents into Bristol Community College's certificate, and has also fueled MVCET's ability to expand access to Vineyard women, minorities, and underserved populations.

This spring, and with their families and Bristol Community College instructors, we celebrated 8 graduates as certified offshore wind turbine technicians at Nomans Restaurant. Completing this 23-credit program in 3-to-4 semesters has not been easy; while the program has enrolled several high school students, the majority are adults who work full-time (often more than 1 job) and who care for newborns, children and/or elderly parents. Some students have been forced to drop out of the program due to loss of housing or because the Covid-19 pandemic created barriers. We are excited to see our graduates move into the next stage of their careers, which for many, will be to apply for employment with General Electric (GE) and other turbine suppliers for the Vineyard Wind farm 14 miles south of the Vineyard.

WOMEN IN RENEWABLE ENERGY

MVCET Increases Diversity



Megan Amsler, executive director at Self-Reliance Corp. in North Falmouth, suited up to teach offshore safety

“Women are smart, driven and competent,” says Megan Amsler about why women are critically needed in the renewable energy industry. Megan is a veteran of renewable energy systems, practices, and policies since 1996 and is a strong advocate for diversifying the growing renewable energy and offshore wind workforce.

With a generous grant from the Mass Clean Energy Center, MVCET is dedicating outreach to women and girls, reaching talented individuals in sciences, trades, automotive, marine, and technical careers.

MVCET Hires STEM Diversity Outreach Coordinator

Thanks to a grant from MassCEC, Courtney Daly is increasing access to all of the Vineyard’s underserved communities, including Wampanoag Tribal members, Portuguese-speaking Brazilians, African Americans, unemployed/underemployed, LGBTQIA+, and veterans. Courtney is also forming STEM clubs for both local high schools.

Why Women? Careers as facility operators, infrastructure managers, scientists, researchers, technicians, and planners can lead to positions of leadership, innovation, and financial stability with community influence. A 2020 report by the Women in Wind Global

Leadership Program shows that only 21% of the global wind energy workforce and only 8% of its senior management are women. Only 13% of US wind research scientists and engineers are women. MVCET believes that these roles should increasingly be available to and held by women, resulting in collaboration, ecological health and healthy communities. “Women thrive especially because they build teams and networks, collaborate, and develop support systems necessary to succeed,” says Megan.

Megan helped establish the first full suite of GWO Basic Safety Training courses in the US, at Mass Maritime Academy. She is a GWO instructor and teaches a variety of other renewable energy courses, including KidWind, a 1-week offshore wind academy for high school students and teachers. Megan will support MVCET with mentoring and advising.

Courtney’s outreach this year has included info sessions, open houses, and tables set up at libraries, coffee shops, schools, and the Island food pantry. To learn more about MVCET’s wind program — to enroll in a class, become an adjunct teacher, learn about scholarships available, or host an information session — please contact Courtney at courtney@mvcet.org.



Left: Courtney Daly. Right: a student at Mass Maritime Academy

MVCET IN THE COMMUNITY

MVCET Hosts the UMass Chan Medical School Rural Scholars

MVCET was selected as the Dukes County Health Council's 2021 research partner to identify "disconnected youth": young people (ages 16-26) who are not employed or enrolled in educational opportunities to better understand how they can be supported in their personal and professional lives. A group of 8 Rural Scholars traveled to the Vineyard to conduct 55 stakeholder interviews across diverse areas of youth engagement, workforce, education, and health care; they also interviewed 13 youth. In the resulting report and White Paper, Island stakeholders are tasked with specific recommendations that are a direct result of the Rural Scholars study. The biggest take-away? Young people want and need adult mentors. To learn more, please contact lisette@mvcet.org.



Young Adult Career Connections (YACC)

Thanks to generous grants from MV Youth, Couch Family Foundation, and Santander Bank for making these programs possible.

Highlights:

- Career readiness and financial literacy workshops
- MVRHS guidance department professional development trainings
- Goal-setting seminars for HS freshmen and Life 101 classes
- MVRHS Job Fair and MVCET Career talks with local employers. Thanks to South Mountain Company, Soft As A Grape, and Morning Glory Farm for discussing your career industries with students.
- NEW Job Portal "YACC," **Young Adult Career Connections** Visit: <https://acemv.org/career-connections/>



MVCET Awarded SCORE Nonprofit of the Year

SCORE Cape Cod & Islands has selected MV Center for Education and Training as its Nonprofit of the Year. The recognition is for a nonprofit on the Cape and Islands that demonstrates the use of sound business principles in the execution of its mission. The award will be presented at SCORE's Awards Breakfast on Cape Cod in October.

MVCET is grateful for its long partnership with SCORE and its counselors, many of whom have served as board members, advisors, and even instructors for business classes for Vineyard residents.

Thanks to SCORE's dedication to supporting the development of business skills for Islanders, we are able to continue bringing fundamental business skills training to our community.

MVCET IN THE COMMUNITY



Williams Completes INP

Director of Workforce Education Lisette Williams graduated from the Institute for Nonprofit Practice's Core Certificate Program. She also co-organized a social justice art fundraiser that resulted in \$45,000+ in art sales and raised \$60,000 for national justice efforts.

Bellebuono on Climate Steering Committee for CAP

Executive Director Holly Bellebuono served on the Steering Committee of the MV Commission Climate Action Plan and as the liaison for its Economic Resilience Working Group. MVCET will prioritize the designing of many of its programs for the next 10 years to directly reflect the CAP's long-term goals and objectives.

MVCET Staff Inducted into Dukes County Health Council

Program Director Lisette Williams and Executive Director Holly Bellebuono were sworn in as new members of the Council in March for 2 year terms in order to represent workforce education in health care.

MVCET will expand its services in the community through identifying health care training needs, and increasing access to education for essential healthcare credentials.



Credentials & Skills Needed for a Stable and Climate-Active Vineyard Economy

...a sampling...

- HVAC-R installation and technicians
- Electric vehicle installers and technicians
- Road repairers, excavators
- Municipal planners
- Solar technicians, sales & installation
- Offshore wind technicians
- Protected Species Observers
- Weatherproofing and energy retrofitters for homes and buildings
- Mold remediators
- Home remodelers for elderly safety
- Energy-efficient apartment constructors
- Salt marsh restorers
- Beach nourishment technicians
- Flood prevention managers
- Harbor designers and managers
- Coastal infrastructure improvement experts
- Fresh water conservation technicians
- Green infrastructure laborers
- Coastal habitat restorers and conservators
- Wastewater managers
- Drinking water managers
- Waste & recycling manager and planner
- Marine diver and underwater engineer
- Refrigeration equipment salvage & distribution planner
- Pipe-fitters and Steam Fitters
- Sheet Metal workers
- Land Managers/sustainable farmers
- Skills in:
 - LIDAR
 - Land Surveying
 - 3-D Printer Equipment
 - Information Technology
 - Drone Operations
 - GIS Mapping
 - Project Management
 - Facilities Management
 - Renewable Resource Management

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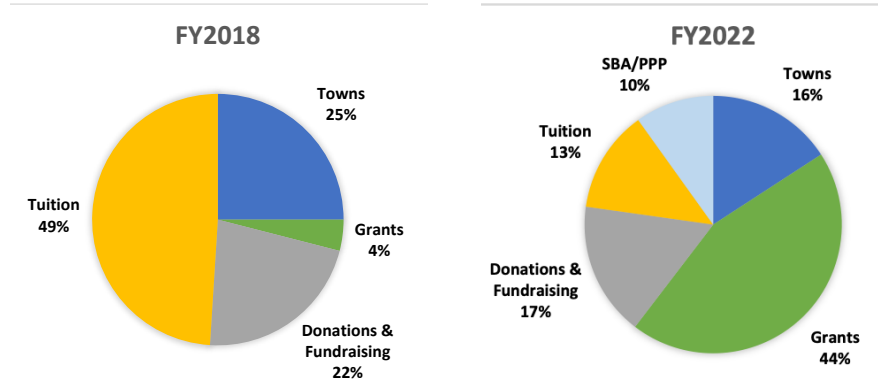
BY THE NUMBERS

MVCET has transformed the way we collect tuition in order to better serve Vineyard residents. In 2018, 49% — almost half — of our revenue was student-paid tuition, mostly for enrichment classes.

Now, only 13% of our revenue is from student-paid tuition. We've kept tuition at a minimum to make classes affordable, and we bring in scholarships from grants and donations to offset the cost so Vineyarders don't bear that financial burden.

Most classes are now workforce — meaning local residents are earning career credentials and skills that support their entry into or advancement in their professions. We see this as a win-win for our community, our economy, and our residents.

Fiscal Year 2022



SCHOLARSHIPS

Our new model reduces the financial burden for workforce students, youth and young adults, women, and minorities

In FY2022

\$37,196

scholarships from grants or businesses

38

students supported

Statement of Activities	2022	2021
Support & Revenue		Total
Contributions and grants	339,510	\$302,063
SBA PPP grant	43,273	\$29,500
Tuition Income	\$56,717	\$94,684
Net investment income (loss)	\$490	\$430
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE	439,989	\$426,677
Expenses		
Program Services	\$285,540	\$241,102
Management and general	\$107,103	\$127,950
Fundraising	\$26,244	\$32,054
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$418,887	\$401,106
Change in Net Assets	\$21,103	\$25,571
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$186,388	\$160,817
Net Assets at End of Year	\$207,491	\$186,388

MVCET'S IMPACT

This Year

147

Islanders were prepped for certificates or licenses, or earned college credit

323 Students

enrolled in learning opportunities with their neighbors and colleagues

To Date

8,343 Islanders

have been served with classes and programming

1,287 Classes

classes have been offered in business, health care, renewable energy, education, language, trades, literacy, civics, and more

MVCET served fewer students this year mostly due to our transition away from enrichment classes and toward credential- and credit-bearing classes. We doubled the number of Vineyarders earning credentials and credits, from 72 last year to 147 this year. These students were prepared for certificates and licenses in health care, hoisting, renewable energy, construction, and more; they also earned university graduate credit in language.

WHO WINS

...when our community
has access to skills
training, professional
licensure, college
credits, and degrees

?



Teachers
Nurses
Electricians
Business Owners
Carpenters
Construction
Professionals
Technicians
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