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# Cheryl McIntyre

Cheryl McIntyre's first graduated from Clackamas Community College in 1980, with an associate's degree in criminal justice, working toward a career in the juvenile justice system. But life intervened. She met her husband while at CCC and started a family. The country was in a recession much like today.

Cheryl went on to work as a sales rep in manufacturing where she remained for 30 years. Like so many others, she lost her job a year ago in the economic downturn. Undaunted, she told her husband, "We've been through this. We're survivors. We can handle it."

Cheryl connected with Workforce Development Services at CCC and started in a program for displaced workers. She began looking into programs in the medical field. She was frightened at the idea of

going back to college with students who were the age of her own children.

Cheryl attended an orientation for CCC's clinical lab assistant program, where she found people of all ages and all stages of life. She entered the program and thrived, earning a scholarship and a 3.5 grade point average.

After graduating, Cheryl found part time work as a clinical lab assistant. She's working in her field of study while looking into continuing her education with the hopes of earning a bachelor's degree.

In today's economic climate, Clackamas Community College Workforce Development Services are key to providing the education, training and retraining to get people back to work.



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