



## *For Immediate Release*

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### **BridgeValley Offers Students a Pathway Back to College**

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BridgeValley Community and Technical College (BVCTC) is forgiving debts owed to the college and inviting former students with unpaid college debts back to campus.

BVCTC is using their coronavirus relief funds from the federal government to encourage former students to get back into school, even if they have debts owed to the college that would have kept them from enrolling in the past. Thanks to the coronavirus relief funds, the college is able to forgive previously-owed student balances and allow students to start back at BVCTC again, no questions asked.

According to Dr. Todd Jones, BVCTC's vice president of Student Affairs, the college is looking to bring back students who have old institutional debt and get them back on track to a certificate or degree. This initiative has the potential to impact hundreds of students who have outstanding balances owed to the college.

"Sometimes we find that students aren't able to make it quite to the finish line for any number of reasons, and we want to help with that," Jones said. "With these new funding sources, we can help those students get back on track with their academic and career goals."

BVCTC has admissions counselors on hand to help students re-enroll and determine what other sources of funding may be available to help them finish their certificate or degree. To schedule an appointment or request additional information, contact BVCTC's admission office at (304) 205-6600 or email [admissions@bridgevalley.edu](mailto:admissions@bridgevalley.edu).

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#### About BridgeValley Community and Technical College

BridgeValley Community and Technical College promotes student success, prepares a skilled workforce, and builds tomorrow's leaders by providing access to quality higher education. BridgeValley Community and Technical College will be the college of opportunity for a diverse learner population, offering leading-edge technology, innovative ideas, and dynamic service to our students and our communities. BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston, along with the addition of the new Advanced Technology Center. BridgeValley Community and Technical College is a public institution of higher education independently accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central

Association of Schools and Colleges and a member of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia.