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BOSCO TECH





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LEADERSHIP 30

Q&A



**"IT WASN'T A YEAR THAT ANY
OF US COULD HAVE PREDICTED,**

but it was a time in which teachers and students had to dig deeply into their inner resources and discover new levels of perseverance and adaptability. In employing distance learning, our students worked independently, with their instructors' guidance, to not miss a beat."

- MEMO GUTIERREZ (AU '83) PRESIDENT

Bosco Tech's President Memo Gutierrez (AU '83) and Chairman of the Board Martin Hairston (ME '86) are in the unique position of being both alumni and key leaders of the school. Graduates of the 1980s, they share a valuable perspective of understanding the school and its mission as past students and, now, in pivotal positions of responsibility.

Q Undoubtedly, 2019-2020 was an unusual school year. How would you best describe it?

A MEMO: None of us anticipated that we'd be setting a precedent this past year by switching to distance learning. The way both teachers and students immediately adapted is a remarkable example of resiliency. That's not to say there was no learning curve, but I'm proud of the way our campus community approached the challenge. The groundswell of adaptability and sense of making the most of an unexpected situation was incredibly inspiring.

Q What's something you want students to know above all else?

A MEMO: First, we want them to know how proud we are of them! Also, we want them to fully realize something that normally develops through experience, and that's the understanding that "this too shall pass." I hope we can impart to them that certain values in life are concrete and unchanging, but challenges are often transient and won't negatively impact what they know to be true.

- > I see in them a mature, profound awareness of social justice coupled with a greater understanding that they have a voice. I want to encourage these young men to stay focused on what is positive and to use their unique gifts to benefit their community.
- > These days are demanding a greater understanding of the world around them at a younger age. And the unchanging Salesian spirituality, best described as "everyday holiness," encourages them to step up, and we, as school leadership, have the opportunity to support them and say, "We hear you and we're behind you!"

Q What's something you wish you'd known at their age?

A MEMO: Wow, where do I start?
(Laughs) That's an interesting question! Martin, why don't you answer that one?
MARTIN: Hey, thanks, Memo!

(Laughs) I wish I'd known how quickly time passes and that the best time to develop your personal plan is now. I am impressed with the rising seniors who were not deterred from taking on internships this past summer, albeit in virtual formats. They're recognizing the need to stay the course, in spite of the unexpected. They've stayed focused and applied themselves.

- > I'm incredibly moved by the young people who worked together, with their instructors, to create 1,500+ protective face shields for health care workers. They used their time to do something incredibly helpful and far reaching! That level of altruism is very advanced for their age, and I'm not sure any of us fully grasped that as high school students. I have to think the challenges these kids are facing are bringing out the best in them, at this young age!

Q What are the board and school leadership's directives for the coming year?

A MARTIN: As with any academic year, the board's mission remains supporting the faculty and staff in providing the best educational opportunity for each young man, and we back the administration in pursuing the safest format to do so at this time. We continue to focus on St. John Bosco's directive to prepare lifelong learners, and as such, the school will stay the course.

- > The board remains focused on our clear-cut directives to move the Tech forward in the coming year. To do so, we will continue to develop and execute the school's strategic plan, while working to expand external awareness and to increase financial backing of our time-proven program. MEMO: That's a key point--our mission is time-proven and remains unchanged. The school's effectiveness and longevity are due to our adherence to Don Bosco's vision of preparing lifelong learners. Whatever format the teaching process must take,

the faculty and staff are committed to following our patron's directive.

Q What's something you feel strongly that Tech stakeholders should know?

A MARTIN: I've been involved at the Tech for many years, first through the Alumni Association and now, through the board. Being on campus during the transition to distance learning, and watching our adept administrators and instructors effectively respond, plan, and articulate the process was remarkable. As an alumnus and a trustee, I saw what capable hands my alma mater is in, and it's something I'd like other stakeholders to see firsthand. I always knew it, but actually witnessing it brought it to life for me--we are blessed to be part of a very unique, caring community! We talk about education being a matter of the heart, but seeing teachers and counselors stay plugged into students' progress has embodied for me the theories of our founder--so much heart has gone into keeping these students on track and feeling cared for!

Q Going forward, what methodology will continue?

A MEMO: In the current "new norm," we are finding the true Salesian heart of education continues, albeit exemplified in different ways. For example, our Big Brother program continues to provide camaraderie and fellowship for our incoming freshmen; our technology instructors are finding new and creative ways to teach complex subjects from a distance, when need be, and students continue to be encouraged to strengthen their leadership skills through participation in service organizations, band and campus clubs, mostly in a virtual setting, all while we employ strict health protocols. The wellbeing of students remains our top priority, but we will not let students miss a beat in their education, or in the development of their character.

ALEXIS MENDOZA (MSET '20)

WE ARE... GIVING BACK.

New graduate Alexis Mendoza (MSET) certainly has made the most of his time at the Tech! In addition to being an honor student, Tech Ambassador, and lacrosse team captain, Alexis has committed himself to improving his community. He served as a Core Team Leader of the campus' Youth Ministry program and a retreat leader within the school's Big Brother outreach to younger students. He was active in Salesian Youth Leadership and is an altar server and religious education instructor at his home parish, Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Alexis served as president of Bosco Tech's American Red Cross student chapter and volunteered in a variety of the humanitarian organization's efforts, including the organization's Rose Parade volunteer team. In addition, he completed a summer internship with the Red Cross as a first responder in its disaster preparedness section. He is certified in CPR, oxygen administration, blood borne pathogens, AED and first aid.


The Bell Gardens resident was president of the Tech's Spanish Club and the National Hispanic Honor Society. During his four years at the school, he accumulated more than 1,770 hours of Christian service through his extensive volunteerism and impressive dedication to community service.

A result of his dedication and hard work, the honor student earned acceptances to 23 colleges and universities, including 13 athletic offers. Alexis plans to study biology with a concentration in pre-medicine at Cal State, Los Angeles in order to become a surgeon or anesthesiologist. But accolades and honors aside, Alexis' approach to stepping up is altruistic.

"Having been raised by my disabled mother, I understand the fact that sometimes people can use a little bit of help," he said. "My mom was the one who taught me the value of helping others in order to make the world a better place. There are so many different people that walk by me on a daily basis. Every person has their own story, and I know that in their hearts and spirits, there is a little bit of Jesus, or they are in need of Him in some way. No matter how I may be treated by them, I always make sure to treat them with the utmost care and respect, the same way I think Jesus would have treated them."

"The Tech has taught me that family isn't necessarily defined by blood," he said of his alma mater. "Rather, family can be the people who are always there for you, no matter what, the type of people that you cannot see life without."

Alexis' Tech family is looking forward to hearing of his future success and the positive difference he will make!

A young man and his mother are standing outdoors in a park-like setting with trees in the background. The man, on the left, is wearing a light-colored V-neck cardigan over a blue shirt and a patterned tie, paired with dark blue trousers. He is smiling and looking down at his hands, which are clasped in front of him. The woman, on the right, is wearing a dark red dress and a black cardigan. She is smiling and looking up at her son, with her hands resting on his arms. The lighting is warm, suggesting late afternoon or early morning.

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- ALEXIS MENDOZA



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NORMA ROBLES

WE ARE... SHINING STARS.

"A LIFE NOT LIVED FOR OTHERS IS NOT A LIFE" – MOTHER TERESA

Her status as a Shining Star is officially sealed, but the Bosco Tech community recognized Norma Robles' stellar attributes long before Montebello's Chamber of Commerce bestowed that title upon her for exceptional contributions to improving local quality of life. The mom of Tech alumni GianCarlo (ACE '16) and Giovanni (MSET '18) has also been honored by Catholic Charities of Los Angeles and long-time employer, JetBlue Airways, for her dedication and altruism.

Norma's demanding career and work as an intelligence specialist often involves intriguing wiretap operations, surveillance software and drug intelligence protocols. But, while she has worked with the FBI and ATF and has security clearance from the Department of Justice, she says her greatest passion is doing charitable work, especially that which helps youth.

Through the years, Norma has volunteered and held leadership roles with several philanthropic organizations and has been honored for her exemplary charitable work, much of it involving using her translating skills on behalf of women and children escaping abusive situations or seeking asylum. She also has volunteered in orphanages in Mexico and serves as a parent ambassador at UC San Diego, where GianCarlo is a senior majoring in Political Science/International Studies/Chinese Studies-Mandarin. She is a Parent Ambassador at Whittier College, her alma mater, where Giovanni is a sophomore studying Biology with an emphasis in pre-med.

"I SEE MYSELF AS AN INSTRUMENT OF GOD WITH A MISSION IN LIFE TO HELP AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN ANOTHER PERSON'S LIFE."

– NORMA ROBLES

"Volunteering is a way of life, to the point that I am known as Mother Teresa to many. This year, I was honored on International Woman's Day at Esperanza Immigrant Rights Projects."

Norma, whose brother Monico Robles is a 1985 Bosco Tech graduate, is a long-time member of the school's Parent Council, starting in 2012, when GianCarlo was a freshman. She became the council's vice president and is now an esteemed emeritus member. In addition, she has helped the Admissions Office staff welcome new families and volunteered across the campus with everything from coordinating events for Christian Service hours to helping the Music Department and donating JetBlue tickets to raffle for tuition assistance funds. "I'm anywhere I am needed when I can," said the versatile volunteer.

"Bosco Tech is a safe home away from home for students, a loving community for parents and their families," she said. "My sons have a solid foundation, great teaching moments, and incredible friendships for life. Bosco Tech helped turn my sons into well-rounded gentlemen."

WE ARE... CREATIVE LEARNERS.

When a family member first mentioned Bosco Tech, high school was the last thing on 13-year-old Jericoh Santiago's mind. Now, the senior sees his introduction to the school as a defining moment.

"Looking back, it's impossible to top the first time I've ever stepped onto the Tech's campus, my shadow day," he said. "To this day, memories of entering the front doors remain vivid in my mind. The opportunity to experience life on campus here became a decision that I would never regret."

"It somehow already felt like I was part of Bosco," he continued. "The atmosphere was nothing that I felt at any other high school. Whether it be the hustle and bustle of Tech Hall or the energetic classrooms, the environment made me feel like I belonged."

Today, as the president of the Tech's Youth Ministry Core Team and vice president of the Ambassador program, Jericoh works to ensure that school years are positive for other students. From providing academic help through Techman Tutoring and at the Rosemead Community Center, to volunteering as a librarian and teacher's assistant at St. Philip the Apostle School in Pasadena, the honor student strives to share the camaraderie he has experienced.


"Within Bosco Tech, there lies a level of respect which can't be reciprocated in just any school," he explained. "I feel as though Bosco has this sort of brotherly connection between classes. When I was a freshman, there was never a day where I found myself feeling intimidated by the upperclassmen. Regardless of status or year, I was greeted with open arms by anyone that I had the pleasure to meet on campus."

In the future, he plans to major in accounting and minor in illustration, using the skills he gained in the Tech's Media Arts and Technology (MAT) program. And what will he take with him after graduation?

"Without a doubt, I've gained an abundance of experience and insights in my technology that are essential for my future endeavors," he said. "Ever since I was a child, I enjoyed drawing and creating art. As I grew older, my love for creating translated into my high school years, where I applied for the MAT program. From there, I gained skills in video editing, photography, and illustration. While there still lies room for improvement, I feel my abilities in these tasks are above average."

"High school can be a time where students struggle to figure out who they are; I was no exception," he said. "However, with the education provided by Bosco Tech, I was able to discover my passion for art and other creativity-based activities. Not only was I able to refine my technique and find my own personal artistic voice, I found a future career."

Jericoh is looking forward to his senior year at the Tech and beyond, and we're looking forward to witnessing his accomplishments!



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- JERICOH SANTIAGO

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OUR WORLD NEEDS CHANGE
LIKE NEVER BEFORE.**



WE ARE...MORE THAN CONQUERORS

"We are more than conquerors, for neither difficulties nor external powers will be able to separate us from the love of Christ," Tech alumnus and 2020 commencement keynote speaker Juan M. Diaz (BT '82) shared with the graduating class of 2020. The words, he told the group, are especially fitting for them with their unique calling and at this special time in the world.

"To be more than conquerors means to go beyond the self of difficulties and interests and defend, rescue and help others. Your calling is to be Christlike to a world that needs Christ's love. You are the future leaders and employees of organizations, and hopefully government, who will change the world for good and guide others to develop new ideas and solutions while overcoming challenges."

Juan, who delivered his timely message to the graduates through a videotaped commencement ceremony, is founder, president and CEO of JMD Engineering, a full-service planning, engineering and management company providing professional services for transportation and land development projects across Southern California. JMD, emphasizing a Christ-centered focus and servant leadership style, has experienced tremendous growth in recent years, expanding to three locations and employing 26 people.

Juan fondly recalls his own years on campus, "Bosco Tech formed me to handle the challenges of running a business and dealing with career issues. Spiritually, I didn't know it was happening at the time, but during my years at the Tech, I was touched by God and St. John

Bosco's spirit, ultimately receiving my 'mission' to serve youth and founding a charismatic youth group at my home parish of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in East Los Angeles."

In addition, faith and discipline were exemplified by the Salesians during Juan's formation at the Tech. He attributes his alma mater with instilling in him a sense of discipline—intrinsic to running a successful business and developing good technical skills—and a strong grasp of the spiritual side of life, vital lessons he has shared with his own son, Tech alumnus Jesus (IDEA '18).

As well as providing missionary youth ministry support to several parishes, which he moderates with his wife, Guadalupe, Juan shares his testimony on the Eternal Word Television Network, a Catholic cable network founded by Mother Angelica in 1981. Through television spots, he stresses the overriding importance of evangelization and reaching far and beyond what seems possible.

"Be not afraid to change the world, because our world needs change like never before," Juan told the 2020 graduates. "You see, these days, what was good is seen as bad and what was bad is now good. Reversing this trend requires Christ and you. You have within you power from above to inspire you, change the world, and reach limits beyond your imagination, provided you depend upon the One who walks with and guides you!"

"It is now your time. Conquer the world by helping others!"

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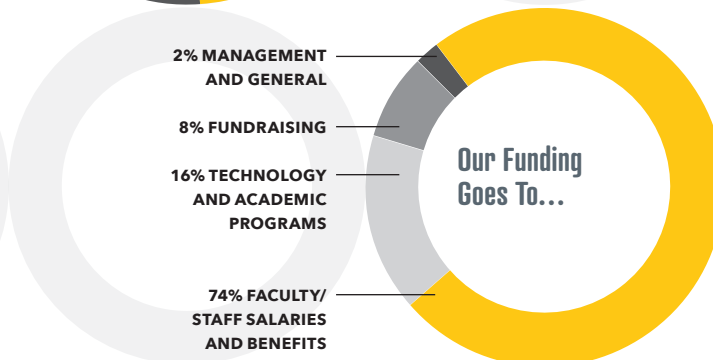
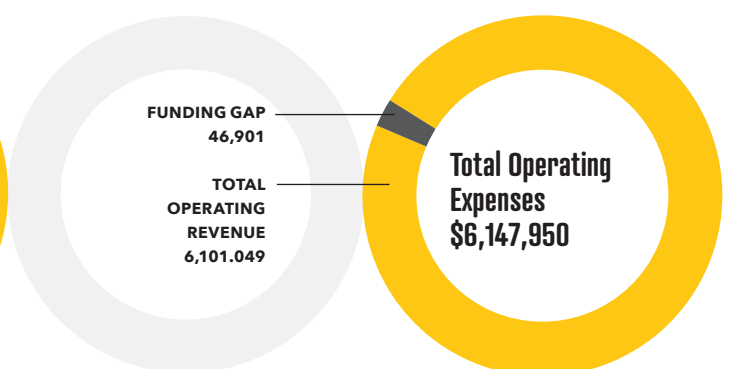
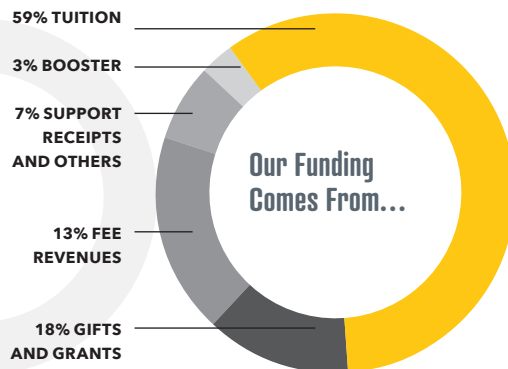
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OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Total Operating Revenue.....	6,101,049
Total Operating Expenses	6,147,950
Net Surplus/(Loss).....	(46,901)
Non-Cash Depreciation	(544,700)

COST TO EDUCATE

Cost to Educate per Student.....	16,394
2019-2020 Tuition.....	12,100
Difference Between Tuition and Cost per Student.....	4,294
Total Financial Aid Rewarded	1,070,281





GENEROSITY

A HISTORY OF HELPING

"But someone may well say, 'You have faith and I have works; show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works.'" –James 2:18

As a vibrant faith community, Bosco Tech follows the spiritual path first walked by St. John Bosco, a path that follows the Lord while ministering to and bringing alongside those in need, combining deep faith manifested in works.

The uncertain days that we recently have experienced are not without precedent. St. John Bosco and the students in his first oratory group bravely worked through a 19th century cholera pandemic, ministering to those who were ill and worst impacted. He taught the young men to exhibit their faith by helping their community.

As back then, our own students and teachers have stepped forward to make a positive difference! Well versed in Christian service, Tech students identified a need and produced a solution. These young men have shown agility and ingenuity, putting to use their knowledge of design and ability with high-tech equipment to provide for those working to help us all. To date, the IDEA team has made and distributed more than 1,500 student-designed face shields to health care professionals. Each shield is engraved with a message of gratitude.

"I wanted to help and do my part in whatever way I could," said recent graduate Maverick Henry, who worked on and delivered shields directly to hospitals. "There are so many nurses and doctors helping so much and supporting them is all I wanted to do. Knowing that they have to think of one less thing to help people makes me feel happy. Working with everyone on the shields was amazing; instead of sitting at home and doing nothing, I spent my time doing something good. I would do it 10 times over again."

"When I first heard that our seniors had designed and were printing face shields for health care professionals, I knew we were witnessing the true spirit of Bosco Tech in action," said Tech Principal Jeff Krynen (BT '81). "Without realizing it, these students and teachers were effectively replicating the ministry of St. John Bosco and his boys!"

"I WILL SHOW YOU MY FAITH BY MY WORKS."

- JAMES 2:18



YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL. TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE.

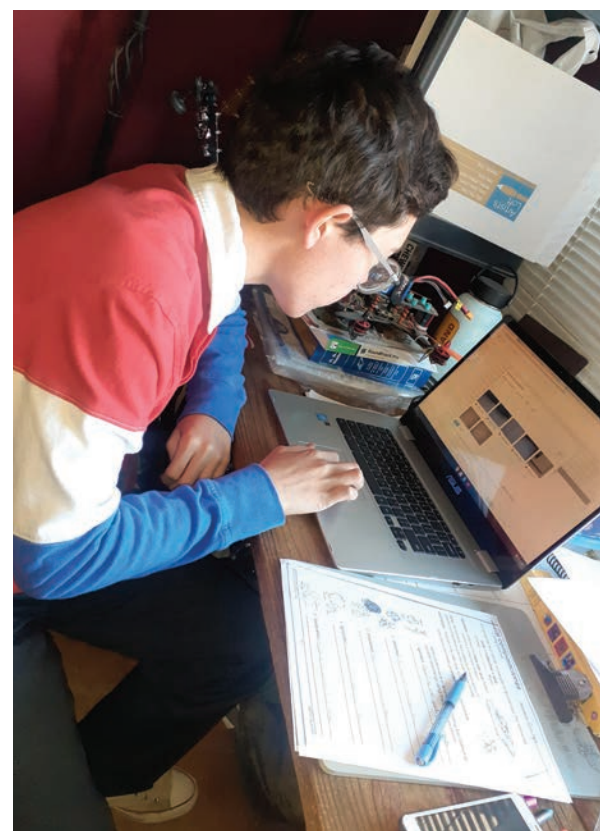
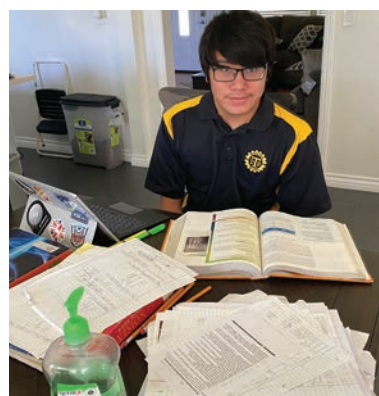
- MEMO GUTIERREZ (AU '83) PRESIDENT

Ways to Give

As a valued part of the Tech community, we ask you to consider paying it forward to ensure current students and future generations enjoy an affordable education with all of the benefits of a first-rate faculty, new technology, and modern classroom amenities.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO GIVE TO BOSCO TECH:

- **Charitable Remainder Trusts:** a charitable remainder trust can benefit you now by providing a lifetime income that is tax advantaged, save you income taxes now, reduce your estate tax later and benefit Bosco Tech.
- **Contingent Beneficiaries:** Naming Bosco Tech as a contingent beneficiary can benefit the Tech when the unexpected happens, but without loss if the normal course of events takes place. Contingent beneficiaries can be used in wills, life insurance and annuity contracts, pension accounts, IRAs, 401(k)s and 403(b)s.
- **Stock, Mutual Fund, ETF Gifts:** If you give an asset with a long-term capital gain, you never have to pay the capital gains taxes, but get the same amount of tax deduction as if you gave a cash donation. This can be a huge tax savings for you, and still provide the Tech with all the intended benefit. Please note that the asset must qualify for long-term capital gains treatment and have a 'gain' to benefit.
- **Gift Matching Programs:** A long-time strategy for helping the Tech is to use an employer matching gift plan for your donation. In these plans, your employer will make a donation alongside yours to the Tech, which can double your gift. Furthermore, your spouse may be eligible for a matching plan on the same gift, turning it into a triple benefit.
- **Life Insurance:** Some people use life insurance as a way of multiplying their gift. For a small amount (the insurance premium), they can leave a large amount (the death benefit) to the Tech. If you don't have dependents, don't forget the insurance provided by your employer. Consider naming Bosco Tech as your beneficiary.
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- **Stock Options:** If exercised after your death, stock options will generate income taxes and may generate state taxes. However, if you name the Tech as beneficiary of your employer-provided stock options, both taxes will be eliminated.

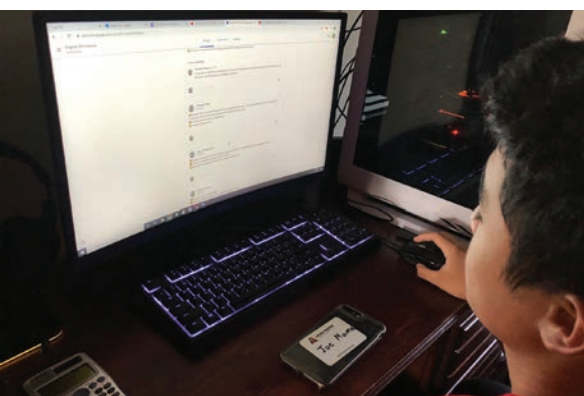


WE ARE...RESILIENT

"SCHOOLS ARE NOT BUILDINGS. THEY ARE PEOPLE.

They are the trusting, caring relationships forged among staff, students and families. In the months since our school campus has moved to online learning because of COVID-19, I have actually watched those relationships deepen. I have watched as faculty – many of whom are new to remote learning – reached out to one another to share technology support, creative ideas, and expressions of humor. I have watched as they connected with students through morning meetings, virtual lessons, emails and phone calls. And I have watched as they continually and creatively found ways to connect with families and with the larger community in St. John Bosco's spirit of 'school is life being lived,' even when we are living far apart from one another."

- JEFF KRYNEN (BT '81), PRINCIPAL



When Los Angeles County issued the “Safer at Home” order in March 2020, Bosco Tech immediately and effectively moved to a distance learning platform. Initially hoped to last only a few weeks, the measure extended through the end of the 2019-2020 school year. As at-home instruction became the norm and scheduled campus and sports events were cancelled or postponed, Tech administration, instructors and staff met the challenge head on to make the change as seamless as possible for students:

- Prior to the start of online classes, instructional leaders researched and prepared professional development and training for our faculty in implementing the transition to off-campus coursework. All classes were moved to the Google Classroom environment. This process went smoothly since Bosco Tech had invested in the Google-Suite for Education two years ago.
- The school also began a technology needs assessment of both students’ families and teachers and immediately began addressing them.
- Recognizing the need to effectively replicate the face-to-face element of education, all teachers began to host supporting live-instruction video conference sessions. This was in addition to the live video help sessions they had already been offering. The school continually researched, shared, and implemented best-practice methods to improve our students’ learning experience. Meanwhile, the faculty worked collaboratively to create a more consistent schedule for classes, assessments and project-based learning.
- Support staff operated primarily from remote locations, working to keep in place the essential components of the school infrastructure, and striving to maintain the important relationships with students’ families.
- Letting students know they were being thought of and missed, teachers and staff created videos of hope, perseverance and encouragement that were broadcast on youtube.com and on social media.
- Keeping students engaged was a primary goal. To that end, traditional Salesian Spirit Games moved online with a video game format. Students competed in jackbox.tv, Minecraft and Super Smash Brothers games from the safety of their own homes.
- While practicing distance learning, 115 Tech students taking Advanced Placement classes took 254 AP exams remotely through the College Board.
- With the postponement of key fundraising events like weekly bingo and the annual Black & Gold Gala, a second Giving Tuesday online fundraiser was established. Generous friends of the Tech donated more than \$50,000 through global initiative #GivingTuesdayNow in May.
- Wanting to recognize the graduating seniors, our faculty and staff delivered to their homes personalized yard signs, yearbooks and student-created protective face shields. Both a virtual awards event and a safe distancing virtual graduation ceremony were created to recognize graduating seniors and their families. Diplomas were presented by a student-programmed and -operated robot.

The Tech family is working tirelessly for the day that we physically come back together as a family to support the continuing education of our young men. The health and safety of our students and educators remains Bosco Tech’s top priority!



- In May 2020, 115 students took a total of 254 Advanced Placement exams remotely. Several Tech students earned recognition from the College Board for their superior performance on AP exams. An impressive 15 Bosco Tech students were named AP Scholars, 3 earned the AP Scholar with Honor title, 10 were awarded the coveted AP Scholar with Distinction designation, and 1 Tech student was named National AP Scholar. In addition, the National AP Scholar also earned an AP International Diploma, awarded to students who display exceptional achievement across a variety of disciplines. Some students earned more than one honor.
- Sixty percent of students, and an impressive 70 percent of seniors made the

honor roll in the final quarter of the 2019-2020 school year.

- Two seniors at Bosco Tech who interned last summer at the Oak Crest Institute of Science and the Pasadena Biotech Collaborative were honored by the L.A. County Board of Supervisors as part of Bio-Flex Pre-Apprentice program, an initiative launched by the Board of Supervisors-backed South Bay Workforce Investment Board.
- Sophomore Aman Kumar (CSEE) placed in the first phase of the American Association of University Women's Eleanor Stem Allen Memorial Contest Speech Trek, an annual speaking contest for all high school students. This year's topic was "Are Men and Women Truly Equal Today, or are the Suffragists of 1920 still Suffering in 2020?"
- Every 2020 graduate earned a college acceptance. Scholarship offers for the graduating class totaled more than \$3 million.



- Bosco Tech's pioneering Science Olympiad team competed for the first time at the L.A. Regionals held at Rio Hondo College in February. The team participated in 12 events, and did especially well in the Boomilever, Chemistry Lab, and Sound of Music events.
- Bosco Tech's American Red Cross Club members participated in a Sound the Alarm Training and Installation event in Norwalk in October. After extensive training from Red Cross representatives, the students canvased neighborhoods, installing free fire alarms where needed and educating families in disaster preparedness. The club also hosted a very successful blood drive on the Tech campus the same month.

- Members of the National Honor Society and National Hispanic Honor Society volunteered in the community, working at 5K runs, city events, and beach clean-up days, and organizing and hosting holiday celebrations and toy drives for migrant farm workers.
- Tech Ambassadors designed and taught a STEM workshop to K-8 students at a local elementary school.
- Twelve rising seniors completed prestigious summer internships, under the mentorship of engineers, architects, doctors and attorneys, providing them with practical experience in professional and STEM fields.
- Three Tech graduating seniors were selected to serve as mentors in the Boeing Company's prestigious Summer High School Internship program, while seven rising seniors completed coveted Boeing internships.
- Two students were invited to

"IN EVERY YOUNG PERSON, A POINT OF GOODNESS IS ACCESSIBLE AND IT IS THE PRIMARY DUTY OF THE EDUCATOR TO DISCOVER THAT SENSITIVE CORD OF THE HEART SO AS TO DRAW OUT THE BEST IN THE YOUNG PERSON."

- DON BOSCO

represent the school at the Spring L.A. County Science & Engineering Fair, one earning honorable mention.

- Two graduating seniors signed to play sports—baseball and lacrosse—at the university level.
- The Tech's Japanese Language classes hosted our friends from Oku Gakuen High School in Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan, using their language skills to show them the campus and share a typical school day.



- Five seniors attended the Salesian Youth Leadership Conference, the premier Youth Ministry yearly conference. They used their experience in leading and influencing their leadership groups and peers on campus. Over the years, many program participants have gone on to join the Provincial Youth Ministry Office or become youth ministers in

their parishes and schools.

- Members of the Tech's Spanish Club volunteered at the L.A. Marathon in March.
- In November, Bosco Tech's Red Cross student chapter hosted the American Red Cross Arcadia and Pasadena Youth Corps Officer Retreat where over 65 club officers from 13 local high schools were represented.
- Members of Bosco Tech's American Red Cross Club volunteered at the 2020 Rose Parade. The student leaders were charged with first aid support, primarily keeping marching band members and guests safe and healthy during the annual festivities.
- In November, first- and second-year ASB students successfully hosted a food drive for those in need in the San Gabriel Valley area, and Youth Ministry's Core Team supported Don Bosco Sobre Ruedas' (Don Bosco on Wheels) purchase of wheelchairs and training for young people who have lost the ability to walk.
- The Tech's Letterman Society hosted a Christmas toy drive

for the Salesian Youth Center in Los Angeles.

- Several Tech students scored in the top 2.5% on the PSAT among high school junior test-takers in our region in the Hispanic American or Latinx and Indigenous groups. As a result, these students were invited to participate in the College Board National Recognition Programs.
- The band participated in USC Training for Troy where the young musicians were able to practice with the USC marching band in October.



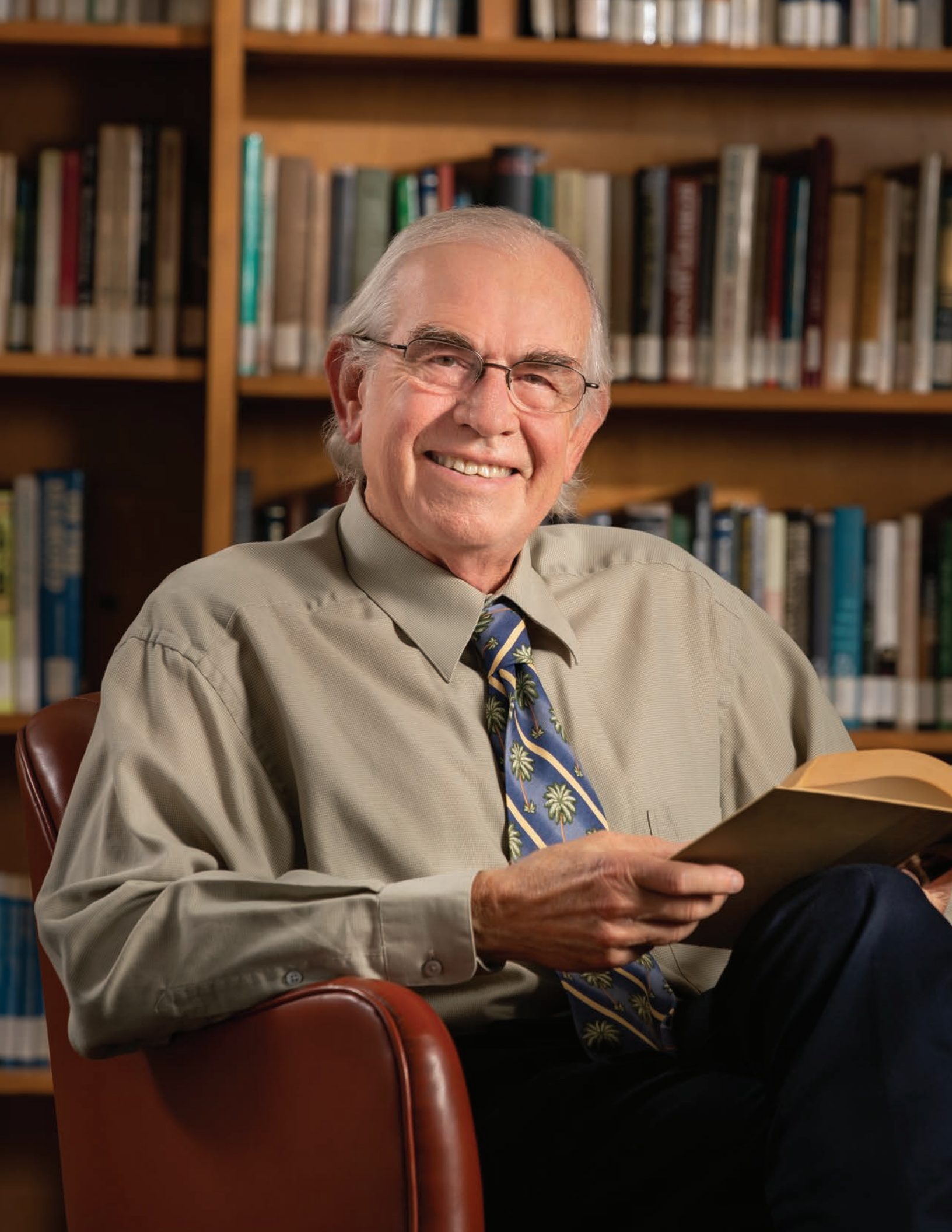
- The band and boosters rang in the New Year by volunteering at the 131st Annual Tournament of Roses Parade. This was our band's third year working this iconic event, as ushers and parking attendants, to raise funds to travel to Boston to compete at the 2020 WorldStrides Heritage

Festival (later postponed due to COVID-19.)

- A delegation of Tech students attended the Catholic Association of Latino Leaders (CALL) where they met with Archbishop Jose H. Gomez.
- Several Bosco Tech graduates have earned Eagle Scout designation during their time on campus, with many completing projects that directly benefited the school.
- The Tech's Youth Ministry team gathered in Anaheim to experience Youth Day in February. Youth Day is an annual retreat hosted by the Archdiocese' Religious Education Congress and attended by teens from Los Angeles and Orange Counties to strengthen their relationship with God and to celebrate Mass with thousands of other spiritually-minded young people.
- The Japan Foundation featured Tech language students' videotaped monologues, all done in Japanese, on their social media.

2019-2020 STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

AWARDS, HONORS, AND FUN!



A vertical photograph on the left side of the page shows a person's arm and hand holding an open book, with a blurred background of bookshelves filled with books.

ROBERT CURRIE (EL '64)

WE ARE...DEDICATED EDUCATORS

"I'M NOT A TEACHER: ONLY A FELLOW TRAVELER OF WHOM YOU ASKED THE WAY. I POINTED AHEAD—AHEAD OF MYSELF AS WELL AS YOU."

- GEORGE BERNARD SHAW

He had not anticipated teaching at his alma mater, so when Robert Currie (EL '64) inquired about available positions shortly after his Whittier College graduation, it was startling to find himself soon standing before 30 students only a few years younger than himself.

"In the beginning, being an alum allowed me to quickly readapt to the culture and rhythm of the school," he recalled. "Later on, as my responsibilities expanded, I had the opportunity as an alum to shape the institution that had shaped me and prepared me and countless others for their future careers and vocations."

"When I came across the Shaw quote, I realized that, as much as I enjoyed introducing students to history or politics or economics or other countries and cultures, I enjoyed the opportunity to learn new things myself," Bob explained. "They say you don't really learn something until you try to teach it and over the years, I really liked learning myself in order to share it with students."

Over the years, he taught a variety of subjects, from English to math, but primarily in the social studies. He also coached basketball, as well as working with the baseball, volleyball, and tennis teams. In the 1970s, Mr. Currie became more involved in school administration, including coordinating the initial summer school program, and was named Dean of Academics in 1981.

For many years, he was responsible for monitoring instruction and curricula, as well as

creating teacher assignments, and promoting the integration of academic and technological curricula. Bob ensured that the school offered a program that prepared students for college, and maintained its accreditation. Considered an institution at the school, the award-winning administrative vice president retired in 2017 after 49 years of wise leadership and quiet service.

Early on, Bob met his beloved wife, Lydia—the Tech's first female technology instructor—on campus, and they were married in 1969. Now enjoying retirement, the parents of two (son Neil is an '89 Tech graduate) and grandparents of five enjoy traveling, attending concerts and art shows and spending time with their family.

Looking back over his career, Bob is grateful. "I worked with many smart, generous and caring people, Salesian and lay, faculty and administration," he said. "I appreciated the opportunities that were given to me relatively early in my career. Opportunities to develop curricula, to serve on accreditation committees, to coach multiple sports, to schedule students and teachers and develop student information systems."

"My superiors had enough faith in me to allow me to open the summer school to girls and come up with a retirement plan for the faculty. For me personally, it was opportunities to continuously challenge myself and to do my best to help the school confront any challenges it faced." And to continue to point ahead for generations of students!



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DARLENE (NICHOLS) TOM

WE ARE... ALL IN MINISTRY.

Whether teaching art or music, managing student activities, directing Christian Service programs, tracking attendance, or ensuring that international students receive their visas, Darlene (Nichols) Tom sees it all as ministry.

"Each role at the Tech has taught me more about myself and how the world we live in works, and it has broadened my definition of what it means to minister to others," she said. "Even my current responsibilities as Assistant Payroll Manager and handling accounts payable, it's all about making sure the teachers and staff who minister to students, who accompany the students on a daily basis, have what they need to do so."

"I knew from the start, when I came here back in 1999, that Bosco Tech is different," she explained of her years as a new instructor. "It's an environment that really feels like home. I love that I can work alongside students, teachers, and staff while getting to actually know them. I love that I can share my faith openly with students and with peers."

"I've also found that Tech students feel free to invite their teachers to join them for

their important events, things that matter to them, like family. It has most definitely been the students, the alumni, and my colleagues, the people I work with and for, who have made me stay and it's where I met and fell in love with my husband, (Tech Assistant Principal) Eric."

And her years of dedication to young people are recognized and appreciated. Mrs. Tom was voted an honorary member of the school's Alumni Association, a rare honor at the all-male school. The alumni are not alone in their appreciation.

"We all recognize and are grateful for Darlene's unrelenting dedication to young people," said Principal Jeff Krynen (BT '81). "She is constantly looking out for their best interests and working to make their Bosco Tech experience positive."

Darlene explained, "Above all, I want each of our graduates to leave the school knowing they always have a home here. It's a second home to me, and no matter where life takes me, it will always hold a special place. I hope that holds true for our students and alumni."

FUTURE GROWTH: BMET EXPANSION

Introduced in the 2019-2020 academic year, Bosco Tech's Biological, Medical and Environmental Technology (BMET) program is thriving and expanding. A current three-phased renovation of facilities is timed to accommodate BMET's inaugural class.

The recent completion of Phase I saw the renovation of an existing classroom in the former MSET exterior building. Coupled with the newly developed Green Technology space, BMET students now have two well-appointed classrooms in which to attend lectures. As the first BMET students begin their sophomore year, Phase II, the renovation of two additional spaces into multi-functional laboratories, will begin. The complex will be named in honor of the late Mr. Frank R. Seaver, the prominent businessman and humanitarian who is the most generous supporter in Tech history. Seaver North will house BMET labs and Seaver South, extensive classroom space.

Simultaneously, Phase III, the campaign's student-interactive phase, is in process. Through a capstone project, ACE seniors developed designs for the laboratories' interior layouts and an attractive external upgrade that compliments existing structures along the Tech corridor, giving an updated look to the 65+ year old facades.

THE AMBITIOUS STUDENTS WORKED WITH THE SCHOOL'S PRINCIPAL AND PRESIDENT TO DEVELOP BUILDABLE RENDERINGS, SCHEMATICS AND BUDGETS.

"For these seniors to have the opportunity to create designs that will have a lasting impact was a great experience," said Tech Principal Jeff Krynen (BT '81). "The practical project demanded mastery of design processes and understanding of cost analysis, and they delivered working drafts from which we will develop our final renderings. Their input was insightful and fresh, and it was impressive to see how they responded to a real-world situation with insight and talent."

With exciting renovations in process and subsequent classes of enthusiastic learners following in the footsteps of the BMET inaugural class, generations of students will be posed to continue post-secondary studies in the fastest growing industry in the U.S.





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