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Community Foundation Awards \$250,000 in Scholarships to high school, college students for 2020

Oakton, VA (July 29, 2020) – The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia announced today that it has awarded over \$250,000 in scholarships to more than one hundred area students to support their higher education goals beginning this fall. This year’s awards went to students pursuing either undergraduate or graduate degrees in areas like STEM, medicine, health, and education, as well as students planning to attend Northern Virginia Community College.

Scholarships recipients were recognized for academic achievement, character, financial need, and for demonstrating good citizenship at school, at home and in the community.

“The Community Foundation’s scholarship funds are continuing to make educational dreams a reality for many students in our region,” said Bernard Mustafa, Board Chairman, the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia.

The Community Foundation manages and administers the funds for twenty-seven scholarships that support Northern Virginia students.

“These scholarships reflect Northern Virginia’s ongoing commitment to invest in the next generation,” said Eileen Ellsworth, President and CEO, the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia.

“This scholarship is super useful because it will relieve some financial burden on my loans that I will be getting,” Irene Chen, a student recipient of this year’s Booz Allen Hamilton Vision Scholarship.

This year’s scholarship winners were announced during Community Foundation’s Virtual [Cocktails & Conversations event available here](#).

The following scholarships are managed by the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia. A volunteer grants panel determines the recipients of each scholarship:

**Charles Homer Barton Memorial
Scholarship**

Colby Bestick
Joshua Brown
Joshua Hernandez
Carter Kinkead
Sarah Milam

**Cameron and Virginia Dye
Scholarship**

Aaliyah Dade

Leslie V. Forte Scholarship

Yasmeen Zargapur

Ashworth Grogan Scholarship

Christina Pelliccio
Jennifer Rivera

**Booz Allen Hamilton Vision
Scholarship**

Lauren Bishop*
Nate Buchanan*
Kathleen Cannon*
Irene Chen
Aarushi Dubey
Emily Huo*
Hannah Jones*
Mark Joseph*
Luke Katzen*
Sreya Mallipeddi*
Julia Noppenberger
Jonas Ravich*
Megan Rossano*
Sachi Sakaniwa
Shreya Shaw*
Jasmine Summers-Evans*
Avery Watkins
Chris Yang*
Lucy Zheng*

Louise Lightner Jamison Scholarship

Lulya Habte
Hannah Nugent

Elizabeth Koury Scholarship

Vivian Cao-Dao
Jaspreet Kaur*
Suferah Khan*
Vivek Khatri*
Riya Maheshwari
Jesus Neyra
Anubhav Thapaliya*

Rose Koury Scholarship

Isabel Craun*
Eliana Glover
Naim Gmati
Pateley Nichols*
Gina Nored*
Erin Poplin*
Maria-Paula Proano*
Monica Tobaldo*
Marissa Young*

Vance International, Inc. Scholarship

John Carayiannis
Michael Kyrychenko

The following scholarships are administered by the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia. A volunteer grants panel determines the recipients of each scholarship:

Kelly Elizabeth Baker Memorial Scholarship

Mary Bohli

Anna M. Davison Scholarship

Gavin Bishop

Kathryn Louise Davison Scholarship

Paige Peterson

William J. Foreman Memorial Scholarship

Ashley Beck

Layma Kakar

Nia Winston

Jackson Robert Greene Memorial Athletic Scholarship

Camryn Renee Campbell

Jacob Gelinias

John Franklin Hiller Memorial Scholarship

Valeria Hodge

Michell Merhige Scholarship

Khadeejatui-Khbraa Lawal

Samaha Mahboob

Yuthud Oberdick Scholarship

Anonymous

Reston Scholarship Fund

Zayyan Budiman*

Andrea Coca*

Daniel Ennis*

Omer Gorashi*

Mona Hassan

Sohale Hessavi*

Abdi Hobor*

Emily Huaroco*

Carla Jovel*

Amna Kayani*

Dounia Lazreq*

Anisa Mahamed

Abita Mandi*

Ana Martinez*

Emmeline Mejia

Joelle Nkwantchoa Toundji*

Razan Salih*

Rabiya Sharieff*

Aditya Sorot*

Hebron Wakjra*

Tsiyon Wakjra*

James Watkins

Emma (Qianyi) Yang*

Reema J. Samaha Memorial Scholarship

Anonymous (2)

Lucilla Antwie

Jacob Barth

Natalia Bowyer

Claire de la Paz

Iris Nylund

Victoria Thomas

Alex Thomas Effort Award

Lillyan Jacobs

Wilens-Chu Memorial Scholarship

Rachel Mietlicki

**Renewed scholarship winners*

For more information about scholarships at Community Foundation contact Jennifer Cochran, Manager of Grants and Scholarship at 703-879-7639, jennifer.cochran@cfnova.org or visit www.cfnova.org/scholarships

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About Community Foundation for Northern Virginia

The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia grows philanthropy to respond to critical need, seed innovation and lead and convene the community. Comprised of donor advised funds, permanent funds, giving circles, and other charitable endowments, the Community Foundation connects donors to community and promotes a more equitable and inclusive prosperity that marries our economic strength with the full breadth of our diverse community. In 2020 the Community Foundation awarded more than \$13 million in grants and scholarships.

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