

# 35TH ANNUAL 2024 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY



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# SPECIAL WELCOME MESSAGE

## Welcome to the Ventura College Foundation's 35th Scholarship Awards Ceremony!

We are thrilled to share this evening with you to celebrate and support our 2024 Student Scholarship Recipients!

Tonight, we celebrate the hard work, dedication, and perseverance of these remarkable students. We are grateful for the families, friends, and campus partners who provide unwavering support to our scholarship recipients. Your encouragement and belief in their potential have played an instrumental role in their success.

We truly appreciate our generous event sponsors, our current scholarship donors and those who have established a lasting legacy through a scholarship endowment or estate gift. Your philanthropic investment empowers our students to pursue their educational goals, fulfill their dreams of a rewarding career, higher income, and a better quality of life for generations.

**This year, the VC Foundation is awarding 421 scholarships to 230 students, totaling an impressive \$636,017 in support for 2023-24.**

Scholarships provide vital financial support for many Ventura College students who face formidable barriers on their educational journey, including food and housing insecurity, budget constraints, multiple jobs, limited access to transportation, and familial responsibilities, among others.


Yet, despite these adversities, the resilience and determination of Ventura College students is exemplary. By supporting Ventura College students, you are not only investing in their future but also in the prosperity and well-being of our community.

Thank you for your partnership and belief in our mission — student success!

With gratitude,



Nicole Kreutz  
Board Chair  
Ventura College Foundation & VC Alumni



Anne Paul King  
Executive Director & Board Member  
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# TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

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## VENTURA COLLEGE ALUMNI SPEAKER

**Daisy Castillo, Class of 2020**

VC Alum & Former ASVC President, Ventura College Foundation Scholarship Recipient  
& Former Board Member

## IN MEMORIAM

The Honorable James Dunn • Sheila Fattarelli • Stephen Kipp • Nancy Stehle

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## VC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT SPEAKER

**Paulo Montalvo**

2024 Gene Haas Scholarship &  
Heizer Family Phoenix Scholarship Recipient

## SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

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## OUR MISSION: FACILITATING STUDENT SUCCESS

Established in 1983, the Foundation is one of the most successful community college foundations in California, having raised over \$48 million dollars for Ventura College and its students.

The Ventura College Foundation transforms students' lives through education by providing innovative and vital resources and financial support. The Foundation collaborates with Ventura College to enhance human potential, civic engagement, careers, and academic success of students enabling their effective impact and legacy on the college, local workforce, and our community.

## VC FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

- VC Promise Tuition & Enrollment Fee Assistance Program for 1st & 2nd Year Students
- VC Basic Needs
- General Scholarships
- Phoenix Scholarships for Re-entry & Veteran students
- Textbook & Equipment Lending Library
- Weekend Marketplace
- Ventura College Campus Programs & Corporate Partnership Support

Our community colleges drive social and economic mobility in Ventura County and beyond. When our students achieve their academic goals at VC, they can fulfill their dreams of a rewarding career, higher income, and better quality of life.

In 2022-23, the VC Foundation provided \$809,995 in support to serve over 5,000 students & facilitated another \$1.17 million for 68 Ventura College Programs from 16 Dept/Divisions. Learn more and read our Impact Report: [venturacollegefoundation.org/foundation-impact/](https://venturacollegefoundation.org/foundation-impact/)

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# IN MEMORIAM

Tonight's Scholarship Awards are presented in memory of four longstanding members of the Ventura College Foundation family. We honor their legacy that continues to make an impact on the lives of the students they cared about so passionately.

## **THE HONORABLE JAMES R. DUNN** 1937-2024

Judge James R. Dunn, aka Jim, was a beloved father, husband, and grandfather. Jim was a warm, compassionate, and patient man who loved his family, and was admired for his work ethic, intelligence, temperament, and dedication to public service and justice.

A native of Los Angeles, Jim graduated from Van Nuys High School and went on to Stanford University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering in 1959 and a Juris Doctorate degree in 1962.



After decades in the legal field, in 1999, Governor Pete Wilson appointed Jim to the Los Angeles Superior Court. He was a lifelong student of Christian Science, and recently served in leadership roles for the 43rd Church of Christ, Scientist in Los Angeles. He was passionate about history and technology, took pride in his garden, and had a real talent for drawing and singing and had a knack for storytelling to his grandsons. He has been known and loved for the stable presence he has been in the lives of many, as both a mentor and friend.

James created the Wendy Dunn Memorial Scholarship in honor of his wife Wendy, when she passed in 2008. This endowed scholarship will continue to support a Ventura College student who has overcome personal hardships or challenges year after year.

## **NANCY STEHLE** 1937-2023

Nancy was born to Anne (Muggy) and William (Bill) Slover on April 27, 1937 in Elgin, IL and raised in Manchester, CT. An independent and vibrant personality from the beginning, Nancy was an excellent student, graduated from Manchester High School and immediately went on to study geology at Wellesley College.

After graduating from Wellesley, she moved to Oxnard and began a career in environmental management at Naval Base Port Hueneme as a civilian for the Department of the Navy, where she helped the Navy start its first nationwide recycling program. Shortly after beginning her career, she met her husband Carl Stehle, Jr., a fellow geologist, marrying on Aug 4, 1962. They had no children.

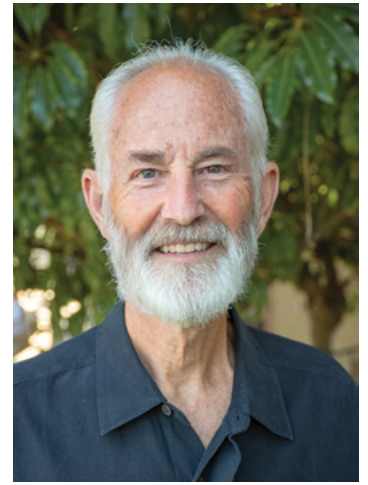


Nancy retired after 30+ years with the Navy. She enjoyed many outdoor activities and continued hiking and camping into her early 80s. She lived in Washington, D.C. and Boulder, CO but returned to Oxnard after retirement to be near friends. Nancy taught Geology at Ventura College, was a Ventura College Foundation board member and created the Betsy Stover Phoenix and Carl Stehle Jr. scholarships. The Betsy Stover endowed scholarship will continue to provide support for VC nursing student, while the Carl Stehle Jr. endowed scholarship, named for Nancy's husband, will continue to support students studying the physical sciences.

# IN MEMORIAM CONTINUED...

## **STEPHEN JOSEPH KIPP** 1948-2024

Stephen Joseph Kipp was raised and lived his entire life in Ventura County, a 3rd generation Ventura County local. He attended Oxnard's Santa Clara Catholic schools and he earned a myriad of degrees and certifications including a BS and MBA from CSUN, a MPA from USC and a Personal Financial Planner certification from UCLA. He also earned his Lifetime Community College Teaching Credential, teaching courses at Santa Clara High School, Ventura College, University of La Verne, and Pacifica Christian College.



Stephen had successful public service and private sector careers: he worked for the County of Ventura offices of the Assessor, CEO, Board of Supervisors (District V), Auditor-Controller, and Sheriff. In 1984, he switched gears to the private sector's financial services industry, creating in 1990 his own Registered Investment Advisory firm, the Kipp Financial Group, Inc. After a successful and rewarding financial services practice, he sold his practice to retire and cherish life with his beloved family.

Stephen's passion was giving back to his Ventura County community. He served on numerous Boards of Directors and provided financial support to many charity organizations including the Ventura College Foundation where he served on our Board of Directors and was a member of the President's Circle. Stephen's leadership on the Ventura College Foundation was invaluable to the students of Ventura College.

Stephen was well known for his exceptional generosity, huge heart, his positivity, master problem solving skills, and incredible sense of humor. He was highly respected, admired, and inspiring to those around him, and will be greatly missed.

## **SHEILA MAY FATTARELLI** 1935-2023

Sheila May Fattarelli, 87, of Ventura, CA, passed away on October 21, 2023. Born on November 16, 1935, in Los Angeles, California, Sheila was the beloved daughter of May and James Alan McNeill. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Aldo Fattarelli, and her brother, Don McNeill.

Sheila's educational journey started at Alhambra High School and continued at Pasadena City College and the University of California at Santa Barbara.



Sheila was an active member of the community and dedicated her time to various organizations. She was a member of the Ventura Rotary Club, Ventura Chapter of PEO International, Assistance League of Ventura County, where she volunteered for many years at the Girl's Club and Assistance League Thrift Store, and the Community Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary (Pink Ladies).

In 2011, Sheila was introduced to the Foundation by her friend Ellyn Dembowski, a Board Member. This introduction sparked Sheila's initiative to establish the Fattarelli Family Trust Scholarship, aimed at supporting students in the Ventura College Nursing Program. Her goal was to empower these students to complete their education and contribute meaningfully to the Ventura community through their service in healthcare.

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Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

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Automotive Career Education Scholarship

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Megha Pandya Memorial Scholarship

**Kai Armann**

Gibbs Truck Centers Diesel Student Scholarship

Ventura College Foundation Diesel Mechanics and Automotive Scholarship

**Joel Arroyo**

Assistance League of Ventura County Re-Entry Scholarship

**Shavonne Asberry**

Ventura College Foundation Phoenix Scholarship

**Sebastian Ayala**

Andy and Ellen Smith Nursing Assistant Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Celida Barios**

Dr. Thomas B. O'Neill Nursing Scholarship  
Micheline and Albert Sakharoff Nursing Scholarship  
Nancy Steward Memorial Nursing Scholarship

**Jonathan Barton**

Micheline Sakharoff Phoenix Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Fatima Bazurto**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Rebecca Becerra**

Westside Scholarship

**Martin Bernabe**

Exuberant English Major Scholarship

**Jennifer Blevins**

Helms Family Scholarship

**Eliseo Bonilla**

Hon. Colleen Toy White Memorial Annual Scholarship  
Osher Foundation Scholarship

**Diego Briceno**

Westlake Village Garden Club Scholarship

**Michael Bui**

Associated Students of Ventura College Osher Scholarship  
David P. Bianco Family Scholarship  
Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Breanna Burke**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Solomon Bustos**

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Elaine G. Tennen Endowed Nursing Scholarship  
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Linda Rose Memorial Scholarship

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Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship



# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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**Allan Campbell**

Prison Hospital Action Committee Scholarship

Seiji Yoshioka and Mary Phillips Yoshioka Scholarship

Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Kathleen Capolupo**

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Osher Foundation Scholarship

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**Sebastian Cornejo**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

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Ed and Sue Stile Scholarship  
Scholarship Reader Merit Award

**Riley Coyner**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship  
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**Jessica Crowley**

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Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

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Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

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**Denzell Rae Doria**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Dominic Doud**

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**Haley Driscoll**

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**Adrian Duran**

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Quinn Company Diesel Student Scholarship

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Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship



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Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

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Gene Haas Scholarship

**Merrick Giles**

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Miriam and Henry Schwab Memorial Aquatics Scholarship

**Larry Gleeson**

Kada Family Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Belmaris Gomez**

Employers Advisory Council Avelina Villalobos Annual Scholarship II  
James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Western Ventura County - Employer Advisory Council - Avelina Villalobos Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Benjamin Gomez**

Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Emiliano Gomez**

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**Ilya Gonzales**

Bess Pinkstaff Scholarship

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Dr. Thomas B. O'Neill Nursing Scholarship

Guadalupe Lopez Nursing Scholarship

Micheline and Albert Sakharoff Nursing Scholarship

Prison Hospital Action Committee Scholarship

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Ruth Hemming Phoenix Scholarship

**Zuri Hodgins**

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Ventura College Holistic Studies Scholarship

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**Erik Huanosta**

Benjamin Tanner Memorial Scholarship

Bill and Elise Kearney Paramedic Scholarship

**Mark Huff**

Jessica Prescott Nursing Scholarship

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Ventura Downtown Lions Club - Fred W. Smith Osher Scholarship

Wendy McGee Memorial Nursing Scholarship

**Olivia Huynh**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Andrea Ibarra**

Brian Marshall Memorial Scholarship

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship



# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Lili Imbler**

George & Harriet Arita - Tai Boy Biology Scholarship  
Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Ian Ingram**

George E. Tillquist Engineering Scholarship  
Osher Foundation Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Jordan Jennings**

Construction Technologies 3C-REN Scholarship  
Osher Foundation Scholarship

**Luis Jimenez**

Cheuvront Family Scholarship  
Donna Santo Family Scholarship  
The Orozco Family Scholarship (La Beca De La Familia Orozco)

**Jaida Jones**

Scholarship Reader Merit Award

**Jennifer Juarez**

Hickerson Family Scholarship

**Carina Jurado**

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Osher Foundation Scholarship  
Ventura College Holistic Studies Scholarship

**Eli Juric**

Harry J. and Lucille E. Earl Scholarship

**Lara Kassab**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Kyle Kastendiek**

Gibbs Truck Centers Diesel Student Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Diesel Mechanics and Automotive Scholarship

**Ava Katner**

Talle Stanton Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Vanessa Knight**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

**Robert Kupfer**

Denise Baylor Automotive & Diesel Mechanics Scholarship  
Gibbs Truck Centers Diesel Student Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Diesel Mechanics and Automotive Scholarship

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Eleanor Tillquist Phoenix Scholarship

**Blake Lauer**

John and Glenda Hammer Engineering Scholarship

**Liliana Lay**

Gerald Jones Memorial Scholarship

Nicholas Joel Haverland Memorial Scholarship

**Susana Leonard**

Jessica Prescott Library Science Scholarship

Michael Kirkpatrick Seely Creative Writing Scholarship

**Andres Leos**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Summyr Leviotff**

Hickerson Family Scholarship

Linda McSherry-Roos Environmental Studies Scholarship

**Santino Liotta**

Micheline & Albert Sakharoff Theatre Arts Scholarship

**Evelyn Lopez**

Alfred Howe Davis Memorial Scholarship

**Jennifer Love**

Judith Leventhal Two-Dimensional Art Scholarship

Ventura Downtown Lions Club - Fred W. Smith Osher Scholarship

**Tony Luong**

Betsy Slover Phoenix, RN, Memorial Scholarship

Lupe and Robert Piros Nursing Scholarship

Santa Clara Valley Healthcare Scholarship

Taimi Chauveau Nursing Memorial Scholarship

**Laura Macias**

Stan Weisel Phoenix Scholarship

**Sydney MacLeod**

Creative Arts Foundation Trust Scholarship

**Gabrielle MacNeill**

Bill Miller Memorial Scholarship

John Tallman Memorial Scholarship

Miriam and Henry Schwab Memorial Aquatics Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Miranda Magana**

Noah Charles Kriese Memorial Scholarship  
Scholarship Reader Merit Award

**Sofia Magana**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Alanm Magana Gonzalez**

Mary Guthrie Teaching Scholarship

**Idaly Maldonado**

Clean Power Alliance Voyager Scholarship  
James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Tyler Maldonado**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Gianna Mannarino**

Arthur Sumliner Memorial Scholarship

**Giovanni Marquez**

American Legion Post 339 (Ventura) Scholarship  
Gerald R. Curtis Engineering Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Joselin Martinez**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Joshua William Harber Memorial Scholarship  
Professor Ismael "Mayo" De La Rocha Memorial Annual Scholarship

**Ashley McMichael**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Danica Medina**

Carolyn Villines Memorial Scholarship  
Contarino Family Scholarship

**Roger Mejia**

California Resources Corporation Veteran Students Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship

**Daniel Mendez**

Eleanor Tillquist Phoenix Scholarship  
Ruth Hemming Phoenix Scholarship  
Venoco, Inc. Phoenix Osher Scholarship

**Medwin Mendoza**

Scholarship Reader Merit Award

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Selina Ella Mendoza**

Stan Weisel Phoenix Scholarship

**Crystal Merlos**

Bess Pinkstaff Scholarship

**Bella Meza**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Elizabeth Mihatov**

Diana Lillie Seely Memorial Scholarship

Sandra Hope Thomas Art Scholarship

**Caleb Miller**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Charlie Moen**

Carl Stehle, Jr. Physical Science Scholarship

**Paulo Montalvo**

Gene Haas Scholarship

Heizer Family Phoenix Scholarship

**Cristina Montejano**

Everett Millais Memorial Scholarship

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Miriam Morado**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Cristina Morales**

Rotary Club of Oxnard Sunrise Scholarship

Wendy McGee Memorial Nursing Scholarship

**Ty Morris**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Emma Myers**

Bess Pinkstaff Scholarship

Carole Olsen-Bryan Memorial Scholarship

**Catherine Nanalis**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Abisai Navarrete**

Dr. Thomas B. O'Neill Nursing Scholarship

**Jasmine Navarro**

Barbara Ann Mrvichin Memorial Endowed Scholarship



# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Kimberly Neal**

GMR Foundation for Research and Education Scholarship

**Francisco Orozco**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

Goldman Metalworking Scholarship

**Naomi Ortega**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Damarita Ortiz**

Damián De La Peña Memorial Scholarship

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

San Buenaventura Women's Club Scholarship

**Katie Oxford**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Miguel Padilla**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

**Valeria Paez**

Arlene Goldberg Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Joyce Mason Evans & David A. Evans Phoenix Scholarship

Hemming Family Scholarship

Taylor Family Scholarship

**Leonardo Palma**

Andy & Sarah Reynolds Scholarship

**Juan Parra**

Ellyn & Jim Dembowski Scholarship

**Zuri Partido**

Bob Gowder Family Scholarship

Maude A. Broughton Memorial Scholarship

**Kayla Parzynski**

Osher Foundation Scholarship

Ventura College Foundation Phoenix Scholarship

**Cody Paul**

Benjamin Tanner Memorial Scholarship

Tommy Anthony Paramedic Scholarship

**Lenora Pell**

Carole Anne Falco Scholarship

**Allison Perez**

Andy and Ellen Smith Nursing Assistant Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Andrea Perez**

Don L. Carlton Family Scholarship

**Maritza Perez**

Guadalupe Lopez Nursing Endowed Scholarship

Osher Foundation Scholarship

**Alphie Phoenix**

Taylor Family Scholarship

**Elora Prado**

Barbara Meister Teaching Scholarship

**Jet Puga**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

Noah Charles Kriese Memorial Scholarship

Western States Petroleum Association Scholarship

**Ellynore Ramirez**

Ventura College Foundation Phoenix Scholarship

**Shannon Ramirez**

Kenneth D. Helms Memorial Choral Scholarship

Micheline & Albert Sakharoff Music Scholarship

Ojai Family Podiatry Clinic, Dr. James Todd Beaty, DPM Scholarship

Patricia Sanchez Ehret Memorial Scholarship

**David Ramos**

David P. Bianco Family Scholarship

Gibbs Truck Centers Diesel Student Scholarship

**Armando Razo**

Carrasco Nungaray Family Scholarship

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

Pier Angela Fiumerodo Memorial Scholarship

**Lily Reeve**

Gordon and Dorothy King Memorial Nursing Scholarship

**Stephanie Reyes**

Prison Hospital Action Committee Scholarship

**Raquel Rico**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

Ventura College Holistic Health Graduate Scholarship

**Bryce Rigney**

Elijah & Miya Tshing Scholarship

Osher Foundation Scholarship

Taylor Family Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Charlotte Rodriguez**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship  
VC East Campus Scholarship

**Kimberly Rodriguez**

Don and Sandy Greenberg Scholarship  
James Doyle Memorial Scholarship

**Florencio Rojas**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

**Telloria Roseman**

American Legion Post 339 (Ventura) Scholarship

**Annika Salant**

Alfred Howe Davis Memorial Scholarship

**Patzy Salazar**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship

**Aidan Sanchez**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship

**Jordan Sandoval**

Eric William Borchard Memorial Scholarship

**Kameko Sasaki**

Lillian Dember Scholarship  
Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Phoenix Scholarship

**Forrest Sauerwein**

GMR Foundation for Research and Education Scholarship

**Elizabeth Scully**

Stanley Prescott Business Scholarship

**Aven Sedano**

Linda McSherry-Roos Environmental Studies Scholarship  
Rohan Zen Scholarship

**Robert Serros**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Niamatullah SA and A-Ishah MA Memorial Scholarship  
VC Dreamers Scholarship

**Thomas Servin**

Hickerson Family Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Arzheen Shahin**

Ventura College Foundation Achievement Scholarship  
Sam & Mary Saputo Scholarship

**Ania Shaw**

Blalock Family Endowed Scholarship  
Eleanor Tillquist Phoenix Scholarship  
Ruth Hemming Foster Youth Scholarship

**Tristan Shaw**

Mary Guthrie Teaching Scholarship

**Ashley Smith**

Stan Weisel Phoenix Scholarship

**Charles Smith**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Lucia Tebbe Memorial Phoenix Scholarship

**Jasmine Smith**

Southern California Edison STEM Scholarship  
Talle Stanton Scholarship

**Sierra Soares**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Diego Solano**

Classified Senate Scholarship  
SEIU Local 99 Classified Senate Scholarship

**Aracely Soriano-Perez**

California Environmental Education Scholarship  
McNeely Family Scholarship

**Gabriel Soto**

Osher Foundation Scholarship  
Sam & Mary Saputo Scholarship

**Timothy Spaulding**

Bill and Elise Kearney Phoenix Scholarship  
Gene Haas Scholarship

**Harrison Stanley**

Citizens Business Bank Scholarship  
Delta Theta Tau Sorority - Zeta Epsilon Chapter Memorial Business Scholarship  
James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship



# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Paulina Tapia**

Aera Energy Annual Scholarship  
Collin Family Scholarship  
The Millard G. Reed ('59) Engineering Scholarship

**Rhiana Thompson**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Keyvan Tinoco**

Gibbs Truck Centers Diesel Student Scholarship

**Jaemi Toledo**

Gary Daniel Newcomb Memorial Scholarship

**Luigi Travi**

George & Eleanor Tillquist Scholarship  
Guadalupe Lopez Nursing Scholarship  
Nancy Steward Memorial Nursing Scholarship

**Neko Tudhope**

James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship

**Ana Valeriano**

Barbara R. Burton Memorial Scholarship  
Carole Olsen-Bryan Memorial Scholarship  
Lupton Child Development Textbook Scholarship

**Christopher Vanover**

Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship  
Ventura Downtown Lions Club Fred W. Smith Annual Scholarship

**Daniela Vargas**

Andy and Ellen Smith Nursing Assistant Scholarship

**Ashley Vazquez**

I-DA-KA Scholarship  
James V. and Idah W. Iliff Memorial Scholarship  
Nellie Day Harris Scholarship  
Tim Suel Memorial Scholarship

**Maria Vega**

SEEAG Career Pathways in Agriculture Scholarship

**Jose Velasquez**

Reach Scholars Scholarship

**Leila Velasquez-Regino**

Frank Nolan Memorial Scholarship  
Ventura Downtown Lions Club - Fred W. Smith Osher Scholarship

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Jordyn Villaseñor**

McNeely Family Scholarship  
Noah Charles Kriese Memorial Scholarship  
Ventura College Foundation Phoenix Scholarship

**Toni Wangui**

Cavola Family Scholarship  
Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship  
San Buenaventura Women's Club Osher Scholarship

**Danielle Washington**

Betsy Slover Phoenix, RN, Memorial Scholarship  
The Bauer Family Nursing Scholarship

**Joshua White**

Gene Haas Scholarship

**Tamara Widmyer**

Gordon Ross Medical Scholarship  
Micheline Sakharoff Nursing Scholarship  
Tony & Ruth Garcia Scholarship

**Lewis Yang**

Ventura College Foundation Veterans Scholarship



## THANK YOU SCHOLARSHIP DONORS!

Due to the generosity of our scholarship donors, the Ventura College Foundation is awarding 421 scholarships today to 230 students totaling \$636,017 for the 2023-24 academic year!

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP INDEX

## **ADVOCATES FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was created to support students pursuing careers in social justice by advocating for inclusion and equality for people of color, people with disabilities, members of the LGBTQAI+ community, individuals struggling with immigration issues, women and girls, citizens who are experiencing hunger or are economically marginalized, and/or members of other marginalized groups in our society.

## **AERA ENERGY ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Aera Energy STEM Scholarship Fund will award an annual scholarship to a student or students who are studying and seeking a degree. In STEM disciplines particularly those interested in pursuing a career in the energy sector.

## **ALEXIS DEMBER SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship was established to benefit Physical Sciences or Mathematics majors.

## **ALFRED HOWE DAVIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established in honor of Alfred Howe Davis to support students majoring in Journalism, Media Studies, Public Relations or Communications.

## **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN VENTURA COUNTY BRANCH BEVANS/KLEIN SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Ventura County Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) was founded in 1911, incorporated in 1951 and has come to the end of its existence. The membership felt that this scholarship would keep the name of the group alive and honor two women who made generous planned gifts allowing the interest to be used for scholarships. The Mary Bevans Scholarship was endowed in 1941 for \$3,000, and art and architecture were her interests. The Maureen Klein scholarship was endowed for \$5500 in 1970, and her interest was language. Maureen Klein was a past President and Scholarship Chairman for the Ventura Branch. This scholarship is awarded to a student who is passionate about gender equity.

## **AMERICAN LEGION POST 339 (VENTURA) SCHOLARSHIP**

Chartered and incorporated in 1934, American Legion Post 339 has a long tradition of service to Ventura County. Its primary interest is support of Veterans and service members and helping young men and women to become future leaders.

## **AMY CHEROT FOSTER OUR FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established to benefit students majoring in Sciences, Engineering or Fine Arts.

## **ANDY AND SARAH REYNOLDS SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is for outstanding achievement and leadership in the Veterinary Tech Program.

## **ANDY AND ELLEN SMITH NURSING ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship honors and supports the education and work of Certified Nursing Assistants in Ventura County. We thank all Ventura College CNA curriculum students for their commitment to high quality and compassionate care! Andy and Ellen Smith are proud to invest in their futures.

## **ANIKA M. VERES NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was created by Anika Stickers-Veres, former VC Nursing student, to support students pursuing careers in nursing.

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP INDEX

## **ARLENE GOLDBERG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of Norman Goldberg established this scholarship in memory of his wife, Arlene, who supported the Ventura College Journalism program for many years. It benefits a re-entry student majoring in Journalism, Public Relations or Communications who is passionate about gender equity.

## **ARTHUR SUMLINER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by a generous gift from the Arthur and Marcia Sumliner estate to benefit students graduating from Ventura College and pursuing careers in medicine with a preference to support students studying pharmaceuticals.

## **ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF VENTURA COUNTY RE-ENTRY SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarship is awarded to a student who has re-entered college after a gap in their education continuum, working toward a specific goal of completion.

## **ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF VENTURA COLLEGE OSHER SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Ventura College ASVC represents the students of Ventura College by participating in various forums and committees, both on and off campus. This scholarship benefits students who major in business, social science, and public and social services with a preference for those actively involved in ASVC and student government.

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## **AUTOMOTIVE CAREER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Created by Brian and Doretta Burgess, this scholarship is awarded annually to support students enrolled in the Ventura College Diesel program who intend to have a career in the diesel heavy equipment industry.

## **BARBARA ANN MRVICHIN MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is awarded to a Buena High School graduate, planning a career in teaching. It is in memory of Barbara Ann Mrvichin, who was Buena High School Spanish teacher.

## **BARBARA MEISTER TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP\***

Barbara Meister, a retired educator and renowned community philanthropist, established this scholarship to benefit an outstanding student pursuing a career in teaching with a preference to those who want to teach at the elementary level.

## **BARBARA R. BURTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is awarded to a student pursuing a career in Early Childhood Education in memory of Barbara R. Burton.

## **BENJAMIN TANNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Anne and David Tanner honored their son, Benjamin, who was an EMT and aspired to be a paramedic, by establishing this scholarship to benefit a student enrolled in the Paramedic Studies Program at Ventura College.



# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP INDEX

## **BERNICE BEILIN MEMORIAL PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship in the memory of Bernice Beilin, is intended to support a re-entry student who is devoted to completing college and helping others.

## **BESS PINKSTAFF SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by the California Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa to benefit an education major planning to teach at the elementary, middle or high school level in honor of charter member, Bess B. Pinkstaff. ADK works to recognize outstanding women educators, build fraternal fellowship among women in the profession, promote high standards in education and promote educational and charitable projects and activities.

## **BETSY SLOVER PHOENIX, RN, MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

The family and friends of Betsy Slover Phoenix, RN, established this scholarship in her memory to benefit students enrolling or currently enrolled in the Ventura College Nursing Program.

## **BILL AND ELISE KEARNEY PARAMEDIC SCHOLARSHIP**

Ventura County philanthropists Bill and Elise Kearney established this scholarship to benefit an outstanding student pursuing a degree in Paramedic Studies.

## **BILL AND ELISE KEARNEY PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP\***

Ventura County philanthropists Bill and Elise Kearney established this scholarship to benefit a re-entry student.

## **BILL MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of longtime Ventura College Aquatic Instructor, Bill Miller created this scholarship in his memory. It is awarded to students participating in the Ventura College Aquatics program who are transferring to a four-year university or college.

## **BLALOCK FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship benefits an outstanding student in any discipline. It was established by Ventura College Alum Charlene Blalock in honor of her family and in memory of her twin sister Cheri Love.

## **BOB GOWDER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

The family of Bob Gowder established this scholarship to benefit a full-time student of any discipline.

## **BRIAN MARSHALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Carol Marshall established this scholarship in memory of her husband, Ventura College Golf Coach Brian Marshall. It benefits an outstanding athletic student (preferably one who plays on the Ventura College Golf Team) and is transferring to a four-year university.

## **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is awarded to an Environmental Studies Student demonstrating significant community activity involving environmental issues.

## **CALIFORNIA RESOURCES CORPORATION VETERAN STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIP**

The CRC Veteran Students Scholarship was established to provide annual scholarships to Veteran students to enable them to reach their higher education goals. This scholarship serves to relieve Veteran students from financial hardships promoting well-being, easier transition to civilian life, and academic success.

# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP INDEX

## **CARL STEHLE, JR. PHYSICAL SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Nancy Stehle established this scholarship in memory of her husband, Carl Stehle, Jr., a geologist. This scholarship benefits a Physical Science major.

## **CAROLE ANNE FALCO SCHOLARSHIP**

In honor of my mom, Carole Anne Falco, who accepted my identity and actively advocated for my rights, well-being, and success. My mom championed education as a pathway to empowerment and success. Even though we lived paycheck to paycheck, she took in every friend I brought home who had been kicked out for being gay. She provided a loving place to be, fed them, and, what she felt was most important, registered them for classes and paid their tuition at Moorpark College. I know how lucky I am to have had a mother who supported me and other LGBTQ+ youth. In her honor, we want to continue supporting LGBTQ+ youth on their path to education, empowerment, and advocacy my mother started.

## **CAROLE OLSEN-BRYAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

In memory of Carole Olsen-Bryan. She was a graduate of Ventura College and a third-grade teacher for 16 years.

## **CAROLYN VILLINES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to honor the life of Carolyn Villines. Carolyn received incredible care from nursing staff while recovering from surgery. This scholarship

## **CARRASCO NUNGARAY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

Marian and Marco Nungaray established this scholarship to benefit students who demonstrate leadership in the community or on the Ventura College campus.

## **CAVOLA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

Frank Cavola created this scholarship to benefit deserving students studying the field of Engineering or Photography.

## **CHEUVRONT FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Virginia Stout established this scholarship to benefit a deserving student meeting the Ventura College Foundation's academic standards for scholarships. This scholarship benefits an outstanding student enrolled in any field of study.

## **CITIZENS BUSINESS BANK SCHOLARSHIP**

Funded by a grant from Citizens Business Bank, this scholarship is awarded annually to continuing and/or transferring Ventura College students who are majoring in business and/or a business-related field of study, and are preparing for a career in business and/or a business-related area.

## **CLASSIFIED SENATE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Classified Senate of Ventura College established this scholarship to benefit all relatives of current classified employees and former classified employees and former classified employees, who are returning to school.

## **CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE VOYAGER SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by the Clean Power Alliance in support of students pursuing careers in green/sustainable energy and/or development.

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## **COLLIN FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Kenneth Collin established this scholarship to benefit an outstanding student interested in Engineering or Sciences.

## **COMFORT KEEPERS HOME CARE CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship honors and supports the education and work of Certified Nursing Assistants in Ventura County. We thank all Ventura College CNA curriculum students for their commitment to high quality and compassionate care! Comfort Keepers Home Care is proud to invest in their futures.

## **CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES 3C-REN SCHOLARSHIP**

3C-REN (Tri-County Regional Energy Network) is a partnership between the Counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura established to deliver energy-saving programs and industry trainings that help reduce energy use, strengthen local job markets, and support efforts to achieve climate goals. This scholarship is awarded annually to a continuing Ventura College students who is majoring in the construction technology program and is preparing for a career in construction technology.

## **CONTARINO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship was established in honor of the Contarino family to benefit an outstanding Ventura College nursing student.

## **CREATIVE ARTS FOUNDATION TRUST SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit a student who transferred to Ventura College from Ventura High School and is studying writing, art, music, drama, or photography.

## **DAMIÁN DE LA PEÑA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Karen and José de la Pena established this scholarship in memory of their youngest son, Damián, who attended Ventura College and studied math and sciences. He aspired to have a career in neuropsychology. This scholarship supports students majoring in Psychology.

## **DAVE & LIZ KRAUS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Dave and Liz Kraus created this scholarship to support a re-entry student studying humanities.

## **DAVID P. BIANCO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

David Bianco established this scholarship for students who were emancipated foster children or had lived in transitional housing during their lifetime.

## **DELTA THETA TAU SORORITY - ZETA EPSILON CHAPTER MEMORIAL BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP**

Delta Theta Tau Sorority is a national women's organization dedicated to the advancement of philanthropy and charity, nonsectarian, nonacademic, promoting welfare for all and fostering the spirit of good fellowship.

## **DENISE BAYLOR AUTOMOTIVE & DIESEL MECHANICS SCHOLARSHIP**

Denise Baylor created this scholarship to support a student currently enrolled in Ventura College's diesel or automotive programs.

## **DENISE BAYLOR SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is in honor of Denise Baylor, whose ongoing contributions help students accomplish their academic goals. This scholarship benefits a Ventura College athlete.

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## **DIANA LILLIE SEELY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The friends and family of Diana Lillie Seely established this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in Theater or Arts.

## **DON & SANDY GREENBERG SCHOLARSHIP\***

Don and Sandy Greenberg created this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in Education or Liberal Arts.

## **DON L. CARLTON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Mr. Carlton established this scholarship to benefit students majoring in Business.

## **DONNA SANTO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Ventura College Foundation Board Member Donna Santo established this scholarship in honor of her family to benefit a re-entry student in any area of study.

## **DR. JOYCE MASON EVANS & DAVID A. EVANS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

The Dr. Joyce Mason Evans & David A. Evans Phoenix Scholarship is awarded to a re-entry student who is passionate about gender equity and who will be transferring to a four-year college or University in pursuit of a degree.

## **DR. MORRIS & JUDITH LEVENTHAL ART SCHOLARSHIP\***

Judith Leventhal established this scholarship in memory of her husband, Morris, a master ceramics artist devoted to the VC art department. This scholarship benefits students majoring in applied arts.

## **DR. THOMAS B. O'NEILL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

The late Dr. Thomas O'Neill, long-time VC faculty member and head of the Biology Department, established this scholarship which benefits outstanding students enrolling or currently enrolled in the VC Associate Degree Nursing Program.

## **DRS. ROSALIND WARNER AND MICHAEL HOGAN FOSTER YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP**

Drs. Rosalind Warner and Michael Hogan established this scholarship to benefit an outstanding student who is currently or formerly in the foster care system.

## **ED AND SUE STILE SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Stile to benefit an outstanding student with a passion and desire to succeed.

## **EDITH H. FRENCH SCHOLARSHIP**

The trust of Edith H. French created this scholarship to assist a student planning on teaching in a K-12 school.

## **ELAINE G. TENNEN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit a student enrolled in the Ventura College Nursing Program.

## **ELEANOR TILLQUIST PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Ventura College Foundation Board Emeritus George E. Tillquist created this scholarship as a gift to his wife, Eleanor Tillquist. This scholarship benefits re-entry students who have overcome hardships in order to pursue an education.



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## **ELIJAH & MIYA TSHING SCHOLARSHIP**

The Tshing family has been a vendor at the Ventura Marketplace for more than 26 years. Mr. Tshing is offering this scholarship in honor of his family members, Elijah and Miya, to benefit excellent Ventura College students.

## **ELLYN & JIM DEMBOWSKI SCHOLARSHIP\***

Ventura College Foundation Board Member Ellyn Dembowski and her husband Jim established this scholarship to benefit excellent students pursuing any area of study.

## **EMPLOYER ADVISORY COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by the Western Ventura County Employer Advisory Council (EAC) to benefit a student studying Business Administration. The VC EAC is an independent, nonprofit organization that works with the Employment Development Department to improve the quality of employment services in Ventura County.

## **EMPLOYERS ADVISORY COUNCIL AVELINA VILLALOBOS SCHOLARSHIP II**

This scholarship was established by the Western Ventura County Employer Advisory Council (EAC) to benefit a student studying Business Administration. The VC EAC is an independent, nonprofit organization that works with the Employment Development Department to improve the quality of employment services in Ventura County.

## **ERIC WILLIAM BORCHARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established in memory of Ventura College Alumnus, Eric Borchard, by his family and friends. It recognizes those students with a documented physical or learning disability who, like Eric, triumph in the face of adversity, and ensures that they too are able to reach their full potential.

## **EVERETT MILLAIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Rotary Club of Ventura Foundation established this scholarship in memory of Everett Millais. Everett was a dedicated Rotarian who gained great pleasure assisting in Rotary's mission of charitable giving to better Ventura. This scholarship is to be awarded to a Ventura College re-entry student who exemplifies Everett's values as set forth in the Rotary motto, Service Above Self.

## **EXUBERANT ENGLISH MAJOR SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was funded by her colleagues, friends, and family to honor Ventura College English Professor Deborah Pollack's teaching career and her retirement.

## **FRANK NOLAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The friends and family of Frank Nolan created this scholarship to benefit an exceptional student in any discipline.

## **FRANK S. & ARDELLA J. WATTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

The daughters of Frank and Ardella Watts established this scholarship in their memory. It is awarded to a student majoring in Performing or Fine Arts.

## **GARY DANIEL NEWCOMB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is established by the Newcomb family in memory of their son, Gary Daniel Newcomb, whose passion for computers and love of family filled his life. The scholarship benefits students pursuing an education in a computer-related field.

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## **GENE HAAS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Gene Haas Foundation created this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in Engineering, Machining Manufacturing or Computer Aided Design.

## **GENE HAAS SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship program support machining students enabling many to remain at Ventura College after their first year to complete their manufacturing design education.

## **GEORGE & ELEANOR TILLQUIST SCHOLARSHIP**

Respected community philanthropists, George and Eleanor, established this scholarship for a student living in Ventura who majors in Nursing or Emergency Medical Services.

## **GEORGE & HARRIET ARITA - TAI BOY BIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP**

Harriet and George Arita established this scholarship in recognition of their beloved dog, Tai Boy. Students receiving this scholarship must major in science. The scholarship is geared toward students who will be transferring to a four-year college or university who plan to teach K-12, or plan to conduct research.

## **GEORGE & JEAN WOOLLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

Dr. John Woolley established this scholarship in honor of his parents, George and Jean Woolley, to support a Veteran student majoring in Associate Justice, Law Enforcement or Liberal Arts.

## **GEORGE E. TILLQUIST ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP**

Eleanor Tillquist established this scholarship in memory of her husband George E. Tillquist to benefit an engineering student.

## **GEORGE R. ANDERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

George Anderson coached football, cross country and track at Ventura College in a career spanning some 33 years. The Family and friends of George Anderson created this scholarship to support a Ventura College athlete transferring with a preference that they transfer to any University of California campus.

## **GERALD JONES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Jones family established this scholarship to celebrate the memory of Gerald Jones and his passion for the sciences and higher education. Gerald was an orphan, but refused to let this challenge get in his way. He travelled the world, worked as a diver on the atomic bomb tests in the Pacific and loved his family. This scholarship will help a student from a disadvantaged background who is seeking a major in the sciences.

## **GERALD R. CURTIS ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP**

Bambi Curtis created this scholarship in loving memory of her husband "Jerry" to help support a highly qualified Ventura College student to acquire an advanced degree in engineering in order to help benefit our global society.

## **GIBBS TRUCK CENTERS DIESEL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Created by the Gibbs Truck Centers, this scholarship is awarded annually to support students enrolled in the Ventura College Diesel Program who intend to have a career in the diesel industry. Gibbs Truck Centers is proud to partner with Ventura College to invest in preparing more students for more rewarding careers.

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## **GMR FOUNDATION FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION PARAMEDIC SCHOLARSHIP**

GMR Foundation for Research and Education recognizes that high quality prehospital care begins with provider education. In some cases, the cost of EMT and paramedic education may prevent otherwise well qualified candidates from pursuing a career in EMS, especially in medically underserved areas in the United States.

## **GOLDMAN METALWORKING SCHOLARSHIP**

Martino and Marcelle Goldman created this scholarship to benefit a deserving welding or construction student at Ventura College.

## **GORDON & DOROTHY KING MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by Gordon King to benefit a student pursuing a career in Nursing.

## **GORDON ROSS MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship benefits a student pursuing a career in Nursing.

## **GREY DOG RANCH SCHOLARSHIP**

Grey Dog Ranch supports the development and education of veterinary technicians; their skill and care is essential to positive patient outcomes. We seek to help students break down financial barriers so they can access the education they deserve.

## **GUADALUPE LOPEZ NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

The children of Ventura College Alumna, Guadalupe Lopez, created this scholarship to be awarded to a student enrolling or currently enrolled in the VC Nursing Program who demonstrates leadership in advocating for gender equality and/or the rights of Hispanic/Latinx/Mexican communities.

## **GUADALUPE LOPEZ NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

The children of Ventura College Alumna, Guadalupe Lopez, created this scholarship to be awarded to a student enrolling or currently enrolled in the VC Nursing Program who demonstrates leadership in advocating for gender equality and/or the rights of Hispanic/Latinx/Mexican communities.

## **HARRY J. & LUCILLE E. EARL SCHOLARSHIP**

Harry J. and Lucille E. Earl created this scholarship to be awarded to a graduate from a Ventura County high school majoring in Mathematics, Electrical Engineering, Civil Engineering or other science technology.

## **HEIZER FAMILY PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP\***

Linda Heizer Seaman created this scholarship to support the educational endeavors of re-entry students.

## **HELMS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

The Helms Family Scholarship was established by Tim and Kathy Helms and is dedicated to supporting the educational endeavors of Ventura College students. This scholarship aims to provide financial assistance to deserving students from diverse backgrounds who demonstrate academic promise, leadership potential, and a commitment to their community.

## **HEMMING FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Ventura College Foundation Board Emeritus, Dr. Ruth Hemming, established this scholarship for continuing students majoring in Communications, Journalism and Liberal Arts.

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## **HICKERSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship benefits a student demonstrating community involvement and financial need.

## **HON. COLLEEN TOY WHITE MEMORIAL ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is established in memory of Hon. Colleen Toy White. It is to be awarded to a single parent returning to school after a break in their education, a circumstance reflecting Judge White's own path. It is hoped this award will inspire and motivate the recipient to pursue and achieve success in their own chosen field, and to help others along that path to do the same, as exemplified by Judge White.

## **I-DA-KA SCHOLARSHIP**

The former I-DA-KA social club established this scholarship to benefit a student with community service experience, majoring in Social Science, Sociology or Teaching. I-DA-KA is an Indian word for "We Serve."

## **JACQUELINE AND WALTER WALKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Walker family and the Santa Paula Society of the Arts funded this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in visual arts, preferably aqua media painting.

## **JAMES DOYLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Ventura County Community College District Police Officers Association created this scholarship in honor of Officer James Doyle, a district police officer killed in the line of duty. The scholarship is awarded to a student majoring in Criminal Justice.

## **JAMES V. & IDAH W. ILIFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Idah Iliff, a Ventura City Councilwoman from 1949 until 1961 and a high school teacher, established this scholarship in honor of her husband, James Iliff, who taught Mathematics at Ventura College for 30 years. Students receiving this scholarship must be continuing their education at a four-year university or college.

## **JANET & MARK L. GOLDENSON NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

Community philanthropists, Janet and Mark L. Goldenson established this scholarship to support Nursing majors in their second year of the Nursing program.

## **JESSICA PRESCOTT ART SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by a generous bequest from the Stanley and Jessica Prescott Estate for students majoring in Art.

## **JESSICA PRESCOTT LIBRARY SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by a generous bequest from the Stanley and Jessica Prescott Estate to benefit students majoring in the social sciences.

## **JESSICA PRESCOTT NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by a generous bequest from the Stanley and Jessica Prescott Estate for students enrolling or enrolled in the Ventura College Nursing Program.

## **JOE HERNANDEZ MEMORIAL ART SCHOLARSHIP\***

Tess Hernandez created this scholarship in memory of her husband Joe, a long-time art student at VC and an expert watercolorist to benefit students majoring in Art.



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## **JOHN AND CHERIE BRANT VENTURA BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

John and Cherie Brant continue their long-time support of the Boys and Girls Club through this scholarship benefiting students that have attended the Boys and Girls Club in the City of Ventura.

## **JOHN AND GLENDA HAMMER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**

John and Glenda Hammer created this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in Education.

## **JOHN AND GLENDA HAMMER ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP**

John and Glenda Hammer created this scholarship to benefit a student majoring in Engineering.

## **JOHN AND GLENDA HAMMER SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP\***

John Hammer established this scholarship in memory of his wife, Glenda, to benefit a student planning a career in the sciences.

## **JOHN TALLMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by the family and friends of John Tallman, who began his career at Ventura College as Aquatics Director in 1972. He also served as Budget Manager, Dean of Instruction, and Vice Chancellor of Instruction. Mr. Tallman brought more than 200 palm trees from around the world to Ventura College, which now has the largest collection of palms in the state. This scholarship is awarded to an athlete who is transferring to a four-year college or University.

## **JOSHUA WILLIAM HARBER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Joshua William Harber Memorial Scholarship was established to benefit a student majoring in Social Sciences who plans to pursue a career working with troubled youth.

## **JOYCE OGAWA YOSHIOKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established in memory of Joyce Ogawa Yoshioka in support of students who intend to pursue a career in law.

## **JUDITH LEVENTHAL TWO-DIMENSIONAL ART SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established in memory of Judith Leventhal to benefit a deserving student studying drawing, painting, or photography.

## **KADA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Lynne Kada established this scholarship in honor of her family. It benefits Veteran students with a preference for those majoring in STEM.

## **KENNETH D. HELMS MEMORIAL CHORAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Kenneth D. Helms scholarships were both established in memory of Kenneth Helms by his wife, Elizabeth, to honor his long career in music. The Kenneth D. Helms Memorial Choral Scholarship benefits music students with a preference to those who participate in Choir or Choral Conducting as a part of their music studies.

## **KENNETH D. HELMS MEMORIAL ORGAN SCHOLARSHIP**

The Kenneth D. Helms Memorial Organ Scholarship is awarded to a music student with a preference to a student who participates in Organ Conducting as a part of Music Studies.

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## **LARRY MEISTER MEMORIAL BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP\***

Philanthropist Barbara Meister established this scholarship in memory of her late husband. It benefits a student who majors in business, social science, and public and social services.

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF VENTURA COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit students majoring in Political Science, History or Government.

## **LILLIAN DEMBER SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit students majoring in life sciences.

## **LINDA MCSHERRY-ROOS ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by community philanthropist, Linda McSherry Roos, for continuing students pursuing STEM studies.

## **LINDA ROSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

My aunt Linda was an amazing woman and I miss her every day. When in her last days she inspired and encouraged me to pursue my degree in nursing. Although my degree was gained after her devastating loss, I care for my patients as I would have cared for her if given the chance. I also received financial aid and scholarships through VC Foundation, which made it possible to put myself through the ADN Program. I am now in the position to not only give back but to also honor the strong woman who helped spark the fire within me. I love you and miss you my Linda Lou, and I am proud to do this in your memory.

## **LUCIA TEBBE MEMORIAL PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of Lucia Tebbe established this scholarship in memory of her passionate support for re-entry students who come back to Ventura College to continue their education and better the lives of their families, their community and themselves. Lucia's pivotal financial support and leadership helped to create the Phoenix Scholarship program in 1999.

## **LUPE & ROBERT PIROS NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

Lupe and Robert Piros established this to benefit a student enrolled in the VC Nursing Program.

## **LUPTON CHILD DEVELOPMENT TEXTBOOK SCHOLARSHIP**

John Lupton established this scholarship in memory of his beloved wife, Jeri, who served as a Childcare Instructor for many years at VC. This textbook scholarship benefits a student enrolled in child development courses.

## **MARTIN P. KNOWLTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

Ventura College Foundation board members David Bianco and Amy Cherot established this scholarship through the Center for Future Studies. It honors Martin P. Knowlton, who co-founded ElderHostel with Mr. Bianco. This scholarship benefits a continuing student studying social sciences with an interest in exploring new paradigms.

## **MARTINEZ Y EWENS ANASAZI SCHOLARSHIP**

Michael Ewens and Lydia Martinez-Collins established this scholarship to benefit first-generation students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for the rights of Native American communities and who also have a passion for community service. This scholarship honors Mike's 34 years of teaching at Ventura College and his military service in three American wars.

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## **MARY GUTHRIE TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP**

Mary Guthrie, former Ventura College Administrative Dean of Student Personnel Services, established this scholarship through a generous bequest. It benefits students transferring to a four-year university to become teachers.

## **MARY J. GLOISTEN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

Community philanthropists, Donald and Mary Gloisten, created this scholarship to benefit Nursing students.

## **MAUDE A. BROUGHTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

Mr. James created this scholarship in memory of his mother, Maude, to benefit students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for the rights of African American/Black communities who are pursuing a career in Nursing or health sciences.

## **MCNEELY FAMILY ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

George McNeely began teaching Agriculture at Ventura College during the Great Depression. Before he retired in 1972, he also served as the Dean of Students. George was a founding board member of the Foundation. The Ventura College Foundation honored Mr. McNeely by naming the planned giving legacy society in his honor. The scholarship benefits a student studying any of the sciences.

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## **MEGHA PANDYA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Megha Pandya Memorial Scholarship is a prestigious award designed to honor the memory of Megha Pandya, an exceptional individual who dedicated her life to social justice and made significant contributions to women's rights. This scholarship seeks to support and encourage students who share Megha's passion for social justice and are considering a career in law.

Recipients should demonstrate a deep commitment to social justice issues and a strong desire to make a positive impact on their communities. The scholarship is open to students from all backgrounds who have shown exemplary dedication to advancing the rights and well-being of others. This scholarship not only serves as a tribute to Megha Pandya's legacy but also as a catalyst for inspiring the next generation of compassionate attorneys and advocates for social justice.

## **MICHAEL KIRKPATRICK SEELY CREATIVE WRITING SCHOLARSHIP**

The friends and family of Michael Kirkpatrick Seely created this scholarship in his honor to benefit an outstanding student studying writing.

## **MICHELINE & ALBERT SAKHAROFF MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP**

Micheline Sakharoff established this scholarship as a tribute to her husband Albert and their mutual love of music. It benefits an outstanding music student.

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## **MICHELINE & ALBERT SAKHAROFF NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Sakharoffs established this scholarship to benefit students enrolled in the Ventura College Nursing Program.

## **MICHELINE & ALBERT SAKHAROFF THEATRE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Wasserman family created this scholarship in honor of Micheline and Albert Sakharoff to benefit students majoring in the arts with a preference for theatre arts students.

## **MICHELINE SAKHAROFF NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of Micheline Sakharoff created this scholarship on Micheline's 90th birthday to honor her tremendous commitment and philanthropy to Ventura County.

## **MICHELINE SAKHAROFF PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of Micheline Sakharoff created this scholarship on Micheline's 90th birthday to honor her tremendous commitment and philanthropy to Ventura County.

## **MIRIAM AND HENRY SCHWAB MEMORIAL AQUATICS SCHOLARSHIP**

A beloved local philanthropist, passionate classical music champion and long-time supporter of Ventura College, Miriam Emily Schwab made a bequest of \$12 million through her estate to Ventura College to benefit the Ventura College Instrumental Music Program as well as the Ventura College Aquatics Program. This scholarship benefits VC aquatics students who are transferring to a university.

## **NANCY STEWARD MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP\***

Dr. Evan Slater and his wife, Fran, established this scholarship in memory of Nancy Steward. It benefits a student enrolled in the Ventura College Nursing Program.

## **NELLIE DAY HARRIS SCHOLARSHIP**

The Buena Center Business and Professional Women's Club created this scholarship in honor of member, Nellie Day. This scholarship benefits students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for gender equality who are majoring in business, social science, and public and social services with a preference for students majoring in education.

## **NIAMATULLAH SA AND A-ISHAH MA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by Saliha Sha in memory of his mother. It benefits a student who demonstrates a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for immigrant rights and who is passionate about community service.

## **NICHOLAS JOEL HAVERLAND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to encourage the study of the Biology field, in memory of Ventura College student Nick Haverland's love of the natural world of Ventura County and beyond.

## **NOAH CHARLES KRIESE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

Former board member Laura Kriese established this scholarship in memory of her nephew, Noah, to benefit students majoring in science or music.

## **OJAI FAMILY PODIATRY CLINIC, DR. JAMES TODD BEATY, DPM SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established for continuing students majoring in the arts or career education.

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## **OSHER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Osher Foundation Scholarship was provided through the California Community Colleges Scholarship Endowment initiative, a program of the Bernard Osher Foundation.

## **PAIGE-BIANCO TEXTBOOK SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by Dave Bianco, Ventura College Foundation Board Member Emeritus and founder of Elderhostel, in honor of Robert Paige who was a member of the Longwood Cricket Club when Mr. Bianco was the manager. It benefits a student with ADA recognized disabilities.

## **PAMELA OSTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Henry Oster established this scholarship in memory of his beloved wife, Pamela Oster, who taught at Ventura College for many years. This scholarship benefits a student planning a career in nursing with a preference for nutrition science or early childhood development.

## **PATRICIA SANCHEZ EHRET MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP\***

Family members established this scholarship for students planning on careers working with children.

## **PIER ANGELA FIUMERODO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established in 2016 to honor and celebrate the memory of Pier Angela (nee Barla) Fiumerodo, the mother of Anthropology Professor, Dr. Maria Teresa (Gigi) Fiumerodo. Pier Angela was a loving and hard-working mother and immigrant to the United States. This scholarship will help a student studying anthropology or child development who demonstrates a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for immigrant rights and/or gender equality.

## **PRISON HOSPITAL ACTION COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Prison Hospital Action Committee of Camarillo disbanded in 2009 and awarded the funds for this Ventura College nursing scholarship.

## **PROFESSOR ISMAEL "MAYO" DE LA ROCHA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Friends and family of long-time Ventura College Professor Ismael "Mayo" De La Rocha established this scholarship in his honor to benefit an outstanding Chicano Studies student who demonstrates a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for the rights of Hispanic/Latinx/Mexican communities.

## **QUINN COMPANY DIESEL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Created by Quinn Company, this scholarship is awarded annually to support students enrolled in the VC Diesel Program who intend to have a career in the diesel heavy equipment industry. Quinn Company is proud to partner with Ventura College to invest in preparing more students for more rewarding careers.

## **REACH SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIP**

We believe in education as the means and path to exit poverty for you, your children and future generations. It was for our families.

## **REBECCA SINGER-BEILIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Beilin family created this scholarship to honor Rebecca-Singer Beilin. It benefits students majoring in Nursing.



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## **ROHAN ZEN SCHOLARSHIP\***

Jan and Hal Wasserman established this scholarship in honor of their grandson, Rohan Zen, to benefit students majoring in Biology or Environmental Studies.

## **ROTARY CLUB OF OXNARD SUNRISE SCHOLARSHIP\***

The Rotary Club of Oxnard Sunrise established this scholarship to benefit current residents of Port Hueneme or Oxnard.

## **RUTH HEMMING FOSTER YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP**

Ruth Hemming established this scholarship to benefit an outstanding student who is currently or was formerly in the foster youth system.

## **RUTH HEMMING PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Ventura College Foundation Board Dr. Ruth Hemming established this scholarship to support re-entry students who have overcome hardships and are pursuing their dreams through an education.

## **SAM & MARY SAPUTO SCHOLARSHIP**

Mary Saputo established this scholarship to benefit a student engaged in their community.

## **SAN BUENAVENTURA WOMEN'S CLUB OSHER SCHOLARSHIP\***

The San Buenaventura Women's Club promotes friendship among its members and supports social, civic, educational, cultural, and social welfare projects in the community. This scholarship benefits re-entry female students who are at least 25 years old residing in the City of Ventura.

## **SAN BUENAVENTURA WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

The San Buenaventura Women's Club promotes friendship among its members and supports social, civic, educational, cultural, and social welfare projects in the community. This scholarship benefits students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for gender equality.

## **SANDRA HOPE THOMAS ART SCHOLARSHIP**

Family and friends of Sandra Thomas established this scholarship in her memory to benefit an outstanding student majoring in fine arts. Mrs. Thomas was a life-long educator and Ventura resident with a great appreciation for the arts.

## **SANTA CLARA VALLEY HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Santa Clara Valley Healthcare Scholarship Committee, created this scholarship to benefit a student in the VC Nursing program.

## **SCHOLARSHIP READER MERIT AWARD**

This scholarship was established by the Ventura College Foundation Scholarship Review Committee to benefit outstanding students of Ventura College.

## **SEEAG CAREER PATHWAYS IN AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is awarded to students currently earning a degree in agriculture with plans to pursue a professional career within the agriculture industry.

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## **SEIJI YOSHIOKA AND MARY PHILLIPS YOSHIOKA SCHOLARSHIP**

Seiji and Mary Yoshioka established this scholarship to benefit a re-entry single parent pursuing a career in nursing.

## **SEIU LOCAL 99 CLASSIFIED SENATE SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established to benefit a child, grandchild, dependent or relative of a Ventura College Classified employee.

## **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON STEM SCHOLARSHIP**

Southern California Edison established this scholarship to honor students pursuing a degree in a STEM field who are transferring to a four-year college or University.

## **STAN WEISEL PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

Stan Weisel created this scholarship to benefit re-entry students whose lives were interrupted by “life” but have returned to Ventura College to pursue their dreams. Stan sadly passed away on January 29, 2020 but his love and generosity will forever live through this scholarship award.

## **STANLEY PRESCOTT BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP**

The Stanley Prescott Business Scholarship was established by a bequest from the Stanley and Jessica Prescott Estate. Students receiving this scholarship major in Business.

## **SUSAN M. BUCHTER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

Luther Tolo created this scholarship to support students pursuing a career in nursing.

## **TAIMI CHAUVEAU NURSING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The friends and family of Taimi Chaveau established this scholarship in her memory to benefit students enrolled in the Nursing Program.

## **TALLE STANTON SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established from the estate of Talle Stanton in honor of Alpha Gamma Sigma and the veterans of the Vietnam War who served in the years 1962 and 1963. The Talle Stanton Scholarship benefits a student studying the health sciences.

## **TAYLOR FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP\***

Richard and Kristin Taylor created this scholarship to benefit a student who demonstrates a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for gender equality.

## **TERENCE P. O'NEILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Terence O'Neill created this scholarship in 1998 to support the students of Ventura College. He taught Western Civilization and Russian History at Ventura College for 32 years before retiring. It benefits students majoring in History, Social Science or Economics who plan to teach.

## **THE BAUER FAMILY NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Established by Jeannette and Dave Bauer, this scholarship is in honor of their son, Robbie Bauer, N.P. Robbie's journey began at Ventura College, and he would attend and graduate from CSUCI and UCLA and become a Nurse Practitioner. Robbie is now serving his community and helping those in need. This career has opened many doors for Robbie, and the Bauer family wants to support the next generation of nurses on their journey.

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## **THE MILLARD G. REED ('59) ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP**

Engineering was the stepping stone to Millard Reed's career. He's established this scholarship to support VC students studying technology and science with a preference for those pursuing careers in engineering so they can have the same opportunity as he did.

## **THE OROZCO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (LA BECA DE LA FAMILIA OROZCO)**

In honor of the sacrifices made by my parents (Maria & Hector Orozco) who immigrated to this country and the relentless challenges that are conquered each day by first generation children. The Orozco family established this scholarship to aid the recipient in achieving their educational and career goals, el esfuerzo vale la pena!

## **THEODORA ART SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship to enable deserving art students to purchase art supplies.

## **TIM SUEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Established by the Suel family in memory of Tim Suel, this scholarship benefits students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for social justice and anti-racism and are enrolled in the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) program at Ventura College. Preference is given to students pursuing a career in counseling.

## **TOMMY ANTHONY PARAMEDIC SCHOLARSHIP**

Tom and Mary Anthony created this scholarship in honor of the paramedics who saved the life of their grandson, Tommy. It benefits a student in the Paramedics Studies program.

## **TONY & RUTH GARCIA SCHOLARSHIP\***

Dr. Ronald Garcia established this scholarship in honor of his parents, Tony and Ruth. It benefits students pursuing a degree in health care who are committed to serving the Hispanic community.

## **VC DREAMERS SCHOLARSHIP**

The VC Dreamers scholarship provides financial support to students who demonstrate a commitment to and/or leadership in advocating for immigrant rights and are committed to learning and pursuing higher education to improve their lives and the lives of others.

## **VC EAST CAMPUS SCHOLARSHIP**

Ventura College East Campus Faculty and Staff established this scholarship to benefit students from the Santa Clara River Valley Communities of Fillmore, Piru, and Santa Paula to support their academic and career goals.

## **VCSNA PEER ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Ventura College Student Nurses Association established this scholarship to benefit students entering their third or fourth semester in the Nursing program who are also members of VCSNA. Preference is given to students demonstrating community service.

## **VENOCO, INC. PHOENIX OSHER SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established by Venoco, Inc. to benefit re-entry students continuing their education at Ventura College.

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## **VENTURA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE SCHOLARSHIP**

These scholarships are funded through the efforts and staff of the Ventura College Academic Senate. They are awarded to exceptional students who have a 3.0 minimum GPA.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is funded through the generous donations of individuals and the Ventura College Foundation Board of Directors to benefit students majoring in business, social science, and public & social services.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE FOUNDATION DIESEL MECHANICS AND AUTOMOTIVE SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is generously funded by an anonymous donor in support of VC students currently enrolled in the diesel mechanics or automotive programs.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE FOUNDATION PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is funded through the generous donations of individuals and the Ventura College Foundation Board of Directors to benefit a re-entry student.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is funded through the generous donations of individuals and the Ventura College Foundation Board of Directors to benefit students of Ventura College.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE FOUNDATION VETERANS SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by community donors to benefit veteran students.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE HOLISTIC HEALTH GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit students who are majoring in Holistic Health Studies or Alternative Medicine and are transferring to a four-year college or University. Students who are actively involved with the VC Holistic Health Club may also qualify. Students who meet both criteria are preferred.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE HOLISTIC STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP\***

This scholarship was established to benefit students who are majoring in Holistic Health Studies and/or students who are actively involved with the VC Holistic Health Club.

## **VENTURA COLLEGE MATH & SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

David Oliver, past Dean of the Ventura College Math & Science Department, established this award to benefit an outstanding student pursuing a career in the Math or Science.

## **VENTURA DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB - FRED W. SMITH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Downtown Ventura Lions Club generously donated this scholarship to benefit a continuing student in any area of study.

## **VENTURA DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB - FRED W. SMITH OSHER SCHOLARSHIP\***

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## **VIENTO Y MAR ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Gonzalez family endowed this scholarship in memory of a beloved son and brother and beloved aunt and sister both of whom attended Ventura College. VC was an important step to success for numerous other family members. This scholarship is intended as a “step” for the benefit of a transferring student with a major in Environmental Science or Music.

## **WENDY DUNN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP OF VENTURA COLLEGE**

Mr. Dunn established this scholarship in honor of his wife, Wendy, to benefit a student who has overcome personal hardships or challenges.

## **WENDY MCGEE MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

In loving memory of his wife, Wendy McGee, Jim McGee established this scholarship to benefit students pursuing a career in nursing.

## **WESTERN STATES PETROLEUM ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established to benefit a student majoring in Engineering, Geology, Chemical, Welding, Electronics or Machine Shop.

## **WESTERN VENTURA COUNTY – EMPLOYER ADVISORY COUNCIL – AVELINA VILLALOBOS SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was established by the Western Ventura County Employer Advisory Council (EAC) to benefit a student studying Business Administration. The VC EAC is an independent, nonprofit organization that works with the Employment Development Department to improve the quality of employment services in Ventura County.

## **WESTLAKE VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship benefits a transfer student accepted into a four-year university or college for Agriculture, Conservation, Ecology, Environmental Science, Forestry, or Horticulture.

## **WESTSIDE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Westside Community Council created this scholarship to benefit a student who is a resident of the Westside of Ventura.

\*The Bernard Osher Foundation pledged an overall gift of \$50-million to launch the California Community Colleges Scholarship Endowment – the largest gift ever given to any community college system. Through the Osher Foundation’s generous matching dollars, our local donors, and the VC Foundations’ challenge match, the campaign, which ended in 2011 was a major success. VC Foundation raised 296% of its target goal –the best fundraising record of any college in the state – which resulted in new scholarships for 89 students at VC annually, in perpetuity.



# VCF SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR 2023-24 SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We appreciate your time and commitment to diligently review 318 applications this year!

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The Ventura College Foundation (VCF) Scholarship Review Committee is a team of community members, alumni, friends, family, and/or Ventura College employees who review all applications received for the VCF Scholarship Program.

### READER QUICK FACTS

- Committee members can review as few as four applications or up to 10! Anything and everything helps.
- Reviews are done on your own schedule. You just need a computer and internet connection to score applications.
- Applications are randomly assigned to each reviewer and each application is read by a total of three readers.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Micsin Martinez, Programs & Development Specialist at [micsin\\_martinez1@vcccd.edu](mailto:micsin_martinez1@vcccd.edu) or 805.289.6161

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A special thank you to Ventura College's Police Services, Facilities, Maintenance, & Operations Team, Athletics, College Services, and our ASVC Advisor for providing extra services and accommodations to hold the event this evening.



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# NOW THAT I'VE BEEN AWARDED

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SPRING 2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

Now that you've been awarded, you're probably wondering "how do I receive my scholarship funds?" Don't worry, we've got you covered on how to receive your funds **AFTER August 1, 2024!**

### Three Ways to Access Important Scholarship Disbursement/Pay Out Information:

- Instructions are attached to the back of your scholarship award certificate
- Visit: <https://venturacollegefoundation.org/scholarships/#awardchecks>
- Scan the QR Code below:



If you have questions, please feel free to contact the VC Foundation's Program & Development Specialist, Micsin Martinez at [micsin\\_martinez1@vcccd.edu](mailto:micsin_martinez1@vcccd.edu) or 805.289.6161



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# VENTURA COLLEGE IS TURNING 100 IN 2025!

As we prepare to celebrate Ventura College's Centennial Celebration in 2025, we are excited to hear how the college impacted or influenced your life or the life of someone you know.

We invite you to connect with us!

<https://venturacollegefoundation.org/venturacollege100th>

- Receive information about our Centennial Celebration activities
- Share your "Ventura College" story
- Share your historical information, images, media, and memorabilia with us as we head toward our 100th birthday
- Volunteer or Sponsor the 100th Celebration

For more information on Ventura College's 100th Anniversary, please contact the VC Foundation at 805.289.6461 or email: [vcfoundation@vcccd.edu](mailto:vcfoundation@vcccd.edu)



## VC ALUMNI SIGN-UP

### CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2024!

We're So Proud of You!

YOU are a big part of our legacy. We'd love to stay in touch to share news about our centennial celebration in 2025 as well as future alumni events and opportunities.

Sign-up as a **VC ALUM** &  
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[venturacollegefoundation.org/graduate-alumni-signup/](https://venturacollegefoundation.org/graduate-alumni-signup/)





“The Ventura College Foundation helped me believe in myself. Before applying for scholarships through the Foundation, I didn't really believe that I would have any chance at getting a scholarship. I was shocked when I found out that I had been awarded. I want to tell the Foundation donors, thank you for believing in me and supporting my goals and aspirations. Your donations motivated and inspired me to work harder. And doors have opened for me that I never thought would open.”

- Gabriel Fajardo,

VC Alumni, 2022 & 2023 VCF Scholarship Recipient  
Current UC Berkeley Mechanical Engineering Transfer Student



Watch a video about Gabriel at the link below or scan QR Code:  
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