

#### OKLAHOMA CITY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

# **Investing in the Future**



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## **Our Scholarship Program**

At the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, we work with donors to help meet the charitable needs of the community, both now and in the future. By supporting scholarships for students, we help donors invest in the future of Oklahoma.

Our scholarship program is the largest of its kind in the state and consists of funds established by a variety of donors to help students realize their educational dreams. Collectively, these funds award more than \$1.5 million in scholarships to more than 600 students each year.

#### **Forever**

The scholarship funds are permanent endowments that will continue to provide awards to students even after the donor is gone. The principal amount of the fund is invested, generating investment income to provide for annual awards. Since the principal will never be distributed, the endowment fund is permanent and will carry out the donor's charitable wishes forever. In addition, this allows the fund to grow over time and yield increased award amounts to keep up with inflation.

#### **Simple**

Our staff manages the administration of scholarship awards, simplifying the giving experience for donors. Students apply through an online application process, and we oversee the promotion, review and recipient selection.

#### **Giving Opportunities**

#### Give to an Existing Scholarship

By making a gift to any of the scholarships we administer, you can help ensure that award amounts increase to meet rising education costs. Donors may give to any of the scholarships listed in this publication, as well as to our general scholarship fund. To make an online gift, visit occf.org/onlinegiving and specify the fund name in the online giving form. Gifts may also be mailed to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, PO Box 1146, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1146.

#### **Establish a New Scholarship**

Scholarship endowments may be established with a minimum gift of \$40,000. This minimum balance will provide for an annual \$2,000 award. For more information about establishing a scholarship fund, visit occf.org/scholarshipgiving or contact Megan Hornbeek Allen at m.hornbeek@occf.org or 405/606-2917.

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# Scholarship Match Helps Keep Pace with the Cost of College

Through our scholarship program, we work with donors to help students pay for college who may not otherwise be able to afford higher education. While the cost of attending college continues to rise, we provide occasional opportunities for donors to ensure scholarship awards keep pace with tuition costs. In 2015, we offered a match for donor contributions to the scholarship funds we administer, adding more than \$770,000 to 82 scholarships.

During the scholarship match, which ran from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31, 2015, more than 500 donors contributed a total of \$480,826. These gifts leveraged more than \$290,000 in matching dollars from the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. Thanks to this matching opportunity, these scholarships will award more dollars to college-bound students.

## Estimated Annual Costs of Oklahoma Colleges

The graph provides an estimate of annual college costs for an undergraduate resident student carrying 15 hours per semester at an Oklahoma public college or university during the 2015-16 academic year. Room and board costs are based on a student living in a traditional dormitory with a roommate and a meal plan.

Source: 2015-16 Counselors' Resource Book: Oklahoma's Colleges and Universities, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

## Research Universities (OU/OSU)

Tuition \$4,458

Fees \$4,598

Books & Supplies \$872

Room & Board \$8,436

#### Regional Universities

Tuition \$4,577

Fees \$1,769

Books & Supplies \$1,240

Room & Board \$5,604

fees for Oklahoma public four-year colleges increased 110 percent.

From 2004-2016, the average

published in-state tuition and



\*2004 prices adjusted to current dollars.

Source: Annual Survey of Colleges, The College Board

#### **Community Colleges**

Tuition \$2,694

Fees \$1,070

Books & Supplies \$1,176

Room & Board \$5,276

**\$18,364 \$13,190 \$10,216** 

# Changing the for Future Generations

For some students, a college education isn't always certain. Growing up in a single-parent household, Jesus Garcia faced that reality. Now he will be the first person in his family to attend college.

"My mom would always tell me to work hard in school and make good grades so that I could go to college," explained Jesus.

A 2016 graduate of Crooked Oak High School in Oklahoma City, Jesus received a Community Foundation Scholar award from the Oklahoma City Community Foundation and plans to attend the University of Central Oklahoma in the fall. While he is excited about his future, he may not yet fully comprehend the life-changing opportunity he has earned. An opportunity that Dilip Patel and his wife, Vibha, understand all too well.

Students like Jesus are able to receive scholarships through the Oklahoma City Community Foundation because of generous donors like the Patels. Since 2010, the Patels have been making gifts to support the Community Foundation Scholars program. These scholarships are designed to reward good students who are active in their community, but may not qualify for the most competitive academic scholarships. In addition, these awards benefit students who will be the first in their family to attend college, like Jesus.

Growing up in India, Dilip witnessed firsthand how being the first person in your family to attend college can have a significant impact on future generations. Dilip's grandfather was a farmer who worked hard to provide for his family despite only having attended school through the third grade. Back then, Dilip says, education wasn't a priority, and children were expected to work on the farm.

But Dilip's grandfather had his own priorities for his children. He was determined to provide them with the educational opportunities he never had, and Dilip's father

#### How to Give

Gifts to existing scholarship funds help ensure that awards keep up with the rising cost of college tuition and make a significant impact for students. Like the Patels, you can give to our Trustee Scholarship Initiative to support scholarships for students in central Oklahoma who are good students and active in their community, students who will be the first in their family to attend college and students who graduate from high school while in Oklahoma's foster care system. To learn how you can support the scholarship funds listed in this publication, contact Megan Hornbeek Allen at m.hornbeek@occf.org or 405/606-2917.

went on to graduate from medical school. However, his uncle stayed home and worked on the family farm.

"I experienced the difference that education made in my own family by witnessing how my uncle struggled," Dilip said. "I learned then that education is the best gift you can give someone."

Dilip came to the United States in 1966 to attend Washington State University, where he earned a master's degree in mechanical engineering. Vibha has a Ph.D. in mathematics. Dilip says their parents instilled in them the importance of a good education and hard work, and they, in turn, wanted to share this opportunity with others.

After Dilip retired from Seagate in 2000 as a senior vice president, he and Vibha were looking for a way to help support students when they connected with the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. By making annual gifts to our Trustee Scholarship Initiative, the Patels are able to provide college scholarships for two graduating high school seniors each year, one of whom will be the first in their family to attend college. Just like the gift Dilip's grandfather gave his own father years ago, Dilip and Vibha are giving students like Jesus an opportunity to transform their lives and change the path of future generations.



## **Scholarship & Award Endowment Funds**

As of April 1,2016

The following scholarship and award endowment funds have been established at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation by a variety of donors to provide educational opportunities for students. In 2016, these funds awarded more than \$1.5 million to more than 600 students. The scholarship listings include the date the fund was established and a brief description of the donor's intended purpose for the award.

#### **Mike Allen Memorial Education Fund**

(1996) The fund was established by the Oklahoma City Federation of Teachers in honor of past president Mike Allen. Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors from Oklahoma City Public Schools.

#### **Aaron Alley Memorial Scholarship**

(2003) The scholarship was established by the Woodward High School class of 1993 in honor of classmate Aaron Alley who died of cancer at age 28. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Woodward High School.

#### H.W. Almen/West OKC Rotary Scholarship

(2004) The scholarship was established through an estate gift from longtime Rotary member Hal Almen. Awards benefit graduating seniors from Oklahoma high schools.

#### **American Society of Civil Engineers Scholarship**

(2000) The scholarship was established by the organization to benefit civil engineering students at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University.

#### **American Society of Landscape Architects Scholarship**

(2006) The scholarship was established by the Oklahoma chapter to benefit students enrolled in a landscape design/architectural program in Oklahoma including Oklahoma State University, University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University–Oklahoma City and Langston University.

#### **Andersen-Spraberry Scholarships**

(2006) The scholarship was established by former Perry resident Stella V. Andersen in honor of Mrs. Andersen and her brother, George Spraberry Jr., who was a longtime teacher at Prague High School. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Perry and Prague high schools.

#### **BSO Ivy Foundation Scholarship**

(2004) The scholarship was established by the BSO Ivy Foundation, the charitable arm of Oklahoma City's Beta Sigma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Oklahoma City area high schools.

#### John Barresi Memorial Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established by the Barresi family to benefit graduating seniors of Harding Charter Preparatory School.

#### **Bennett Family Scholarship\***

(2015) The scholarship was established by Phyllis Bennett to benefit graduating seniors from single-parent homes pursuing studies in education, science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

#### John Blaess Memorial Scholarship

(2004) The scholarship was established by friends and family of Mr. Blaess to benefit graduating seniors of Edmond Memorial High School.

#### **Patrick S. Bonds Memorial Scholarship**

(2000) The scholarship was established by the Bonds family in memory of 1989 Del City High School valedictorian Patrick Bonds. Awards benefit graduating high school seniors and teachers in the Mid-Del Public School System.

#### Vinita F. Boyer Scholarship

(2007) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of Vinita Boyer. Mrs. Boyer was an orphan who received a college scholarship and wanted to provide other students with the same opportunity. Awards are made through our Oklahoma Youth with Promise Scholars Program to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### **Alberta Brannon Memorial Scholarship**

(2008) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Mrs. Brannon, a longtime Oklahoma City caterer and restaurant owner. Awards benefit students pursuing education in the culinary, hospitality or food service industry.

#### Dr. Eugene S. Briggs Memorial Scholarship

(1999) The scholarship was established by the Lions Clubs of Oklahoma in honor of Dr. Briggs, a past president of Lions Clubs International. The statewide award benefits Oklahoma residents who are graduating or have graduated from an Oklahoma high school.

#### Mike Buchwald Costume Design Scholarship

(2014) The scholarship was established by University of Oklahoma professor Mike Buchwald to benefit students attending the university's School of Drama.

#### Frank & Merle Buttram String Awards

(1991) The fund was established by Dorsey Buttram in memory of his parents, Merle and Frank Buttram, to support awards for students competing in the stringed instruments division of the Oklahoma City Orchestra League Music Competition.

#### Capitol Hill High School Scholarship

(2002) The scholarship was established by Capitol Hill High School alumnus John E. Orr through a challenge to his fellow alumni. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Capitol Hill High School.

#### Elizabeth E. Carlson Scholarship

(2003) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of longtime Putnam City High School teacher Elizabeth Carlson. Awards benefit Putnam City School District graduating seniors who are pursuing a degree in education.

#### **Duane & Villa Rae Carter Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of Duane Carter, a longtime certified public accountant and tax attorney. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Chickasha High School.

#### **Casady Class of 1996 Scholarship**

(2003) The scholarship was established by the Casady graduating class of 1996 and is awarded through the general scholarship program at Casady School.

#### **Central High School Alumni Association Scholarship**

(1996) The scholarship was established by Central High School alumni and awards are made through our Community Foundation Scholars program.

#### • Helen P. Oldham Gardner Memorial

(2012) The fund was established by Millard L. Gardner in memory of his wife, Helen, to support Central High School Alumni Association scholarships.

#### Central Oklahoma ASHRAE Scholarship

(2012) The scholarship was established by the Central Oklahoma Chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers. Awards benefit students who are enrolled in an Oklahoma college and pursuing an engineering degree related to the heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration industry.

## Lonnie & Nancy Childress Scholarship at Oklahoma Panhandle State University\*

(2015) The scholarship was established by Guymon resident and Oklahoma Panhandle State University alumnus Lonnie Childress and his wife, Nancy. Awards benefit student athletes entering their fifth year who have completed their athletic eligibility at Panhandle State University.

#### Kimberly Kay Clark Memorial Scholarship — Naval Reserve Association

(1995) The scholarship was established by the Naval Reserve Association in memory of Kimberly Kay Clark, a U.S. Navy Reserve officer who was killed in the 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building. Awards benefit enlisted Naval Reservists who are pursuing a college degree.

#### Classen '55 Scholars Fund

(1998) The fund was established by the Classen High School class of 1955 and other donors. Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies.

#### **Classen Awards Foundation**

(1998) Originated by Anton H. Classen in 1926, the fund was transferred to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation in 1998. The faculty-nominated awards benefit graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies and Northwest Classen High School.

#### Classen Class of 1945 Scholarship

(2006) The scholarship was established by the Classen High School class of 1945 to benefit graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies who demonstrate leadership and participate in extracurricular activities.

Roy and Darlene Thornton (right) with scholarship recipients Emily Schovanec and Aaron Foreman of Midwest City High School.

# **Supporting Students Through Smart Giving**

When Roy Thornton learned about the opportunity to help students attend college through the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, he knew he had found the perfect way for he and his wife, Darlene, to give back. A longtime member of the Kiwanis Club of Midwest City, Roy had worked with students through the club and wanted to help make a difference in their lives.

In 2014, they established the Roy Edward and Darlene Young Thornton Scholarship fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. Through their fund, the Thorntons award two annual college scholarships to graduating seniors from the Midwest City-Del City School District.

"We were looking for a way to do something for our community, and I thought that scholarships would be a great way to help these kids," said Roy.

In addition to fulfilling their charitable wishes, our tax-wise giving options allowed the Thorntons to make a greater impact with their giving. By working with his attorney, we helped Roy make tax-free gifts from his retirement assets and life insurance policy to support the scholarship fund.

"At my age, I'm required to take an annual distribution from my IRA," said Roy. "Instead of paying taxes on that money, I was able to make a gift to benefit kids that really need it."

To learn how smart giving options can help you give more to the causes you care about, please contact Joe Carter at j.carter@occf.org or 405/606-2914.



#### Classen Class of '54 Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established by the Classen High School class of 1954 to benefit graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies who are nominated by school faculty.

#### **Classen High School Alumni Association Scholarship**

(2012) The scholarship was established by the Classen High School Alumni Association to benefit graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies School of Fine Arts.

#### Ralph Clinton Scholarship — Sales & Marketing Executives

(1985) The scholarship was established by the Sales and Marketing Executives organization in honor of past president Ralph Clinton. Awards benefit enrolled college students pursuing a sales or marketing degree.

#### **Commander Family Scholarship**

(2004) The scholarship was established by family in memory of A.C. Commander to benefit a graduating high school senior from central Oklahoma.

#### **Brad R. Corbett Memorial Academic Trust**

(2000) The fund was established by family and friends in memory of Brad Corbett to support academic competition teams at Edmond Memorial High School.

#### **Cox Charities Family Scholarship**

(2011) The scholarship was established by Cox Charities, the charitable arm of Cox Communications, to benefit family members of Cox employees who are graduating high school seniors, current undergraduate students or adults re-entering the classroom.

#### Jean Hawley Curtis Scholarship

(2004) The scholarship was established by the Metropolitan Healthcare Association in memory of longtime advocate Jean Hawley Curtis. Awards benefit individuals working in long-term heath care who are pursuing a nursing license.

#### **Harley Custer Memorial Scholarship**

(1991) The scholarship was established by friends and family of Oklahoma Livestock Marketing Association executive Harley Custer. Awards benefit participants in the Oklahoma Youth Expo 4-H and FFA junior livestock show.

#### **DANA Corporation Scholarship**

(1988) The scholarship was established by the DANA Corporation to benefit dependents of employees at its Oklahoma City manufacturing plant and other local students.

#### **Dortha Dever Business Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by Dortha Dever to benefit female students in their third or fourth year at Oklahoma City University who are pursuing a degree in finance, accounting, management or economics within the Meinders School of Business.

#### **Douglass High School Class of 1967 Scholarship**

(2009) The scholarship was established by members of the class of 1967 to benefit graduating seniors from Douglass High School.

#### **Durant Community Scholarship**

(2004) The scholarship was established by an anonymous donor to benefit graduating seniors of Durant High School.

#### **Durrell Public Law Research Award**

(2010) The fund was established by Roderick and Julia Durrell to support an award for a student at the University of Oklahoma College of Law, the Institute for the American Constitutional Heritage at the University of Oklahoma or the Oklahoma City University School of Law.

#### **Early Childhood Association of Oklahoma Scholarship**

(2002) The scholarship was established by the association to benefit individuals working in early childhood care or family services who are pursuing a degree in early childhood education or child development/family studies.

#### **Everett Foundation Scholarships**

(1993) The scholarships were established by Dr. Mark A. Everett, a longtime physician and professor at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. More than 20 awards annually benefit students studying medicine, the performing arts, visual arts and English at various schools.

#### Mark Allen Everett Graduate Fellowship in String Performance – University of Oklahoma School of Music

(2008) The fund was established by friends and colleagues in memory of Dr. Everett and supports a fellowship for a graduate student studying string performance at the University of Oklahoma School of Music.

#### **Barbara Fagin Spirit of Volunteerism Award**

(1994) The fund was established by Christmas Connection, an Oklahoma City nonprofit now known as Sharing Tree, in memory of the organization's founder, Barbara Fagin. Awards benefit charitable organizations designated by an outstanding volunteer who is selected by Sharing Tree.

#### **Brunel D. Faris Art Exploration Scholarship**

(2008) The scholarship was established by Christiane Faris through memorial gifts in honor of her husband, a longtime art professor and artist. Awards benefit students studying visual arts at Oklahoma City University and provide assistance with independent art-related projects.

#### **Karen Sue Freeman Memorial Scholarship**

(2012) The scholarship was established by the family of Karen Sue Freeman to benefit female varsity athletes at Shawnee High School.

#### Irene P. & Samuel F. Frierson Educational Trust

(1997) The Frierson Educational Trust was established through gifts from the estate of Dr. and Mrs. Frierson. Scholarships benefit second, third or fourth-year students attending an Oklahoma college.

#### **Fulmer Trombone Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established by longtime Oklahoma City University music instructor Fred Fulmer and his wife, Ann. Awards benefit graduating high school seniors in central Oklahoma who have played the trombone and will be involved in the orchestra or band during their freshman year of college.



**Helping Women Follow Their Dreams** 

Oklahoma City University students Sha Ingram and Karina Salazar-Lopez have big dreams for the future. Currently in her second year at Meinders School of Business, Sha hopes to start a women's clothing business one day; while Karina, who will be a senior, plans to pursue a career in accounting. Both women are one step closer to achieving their goals thanks to a gift from former Oklahoma City businesswoman Dortha Dever, who established a scholarship fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation.

When Dortha created the scholarship in 2007, she had a very specific goal in mind – to help young women earn a business degree. A graduate of Oklahoma City University, Dortha believed her education was the catalyst for a long and successful banking career. After retiring as assistant vice president of American Fidelity, she felt it was time to give

back, and a scholarship to help other women enter careers in business allowed her to do just that.

Initially, the Dortha Dever Business Scholarship awarded \$1,000 annually to one student. But Dortha's commitment to the scholarship continued, and after her death in 2015, a gift from her trust increased the awards to provide four students with \$5,000 annually. Dortha would be pleased to know that her generosity will continue to help young women like Sha and Karina follow their dreams for years to come.

Sha Ingram and Karina Salazar-Lopez are two of four annual recipients of the Dortha Dever Business Scholarship.

#### **Sybil Irene Gabbard Scholarship**

(2012) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Sybil Irene Gabbard to benefit students who graduated high school while in the care of the Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children.

#### Wauhillau Austin Gale Memorial Scholarship

(2006) The scholarship was established by family and friends in memory of longtime Purcell High School art teacher Wauhillau Austin Gale to benefit graduating seniors of the school.

#### **Ema Garcia Memorial Scholarship Fund**

(1994) The scholarship was established by Fred Jones Industries in memory of longtime employee Ema Garcia. Awards are made through our Oklahoma Youth with Promise Scholars Program to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### **Garner-Stocker Foundation Scholarship**

(2013) The scholarship was established by the Garner-Stocker Foundation to benefit employees and vendors of Taco Mayo franchises and their dependents.

#### **Edward King Gaylord Scholarship**

(1970) The first scholarship endowment at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, the fund was established by Mr. Gaylord before his death and later funded through a gift from his estate. Awards are made through our Trustee Scholarship Initiative.

#### Elsie Mae "Nat" Glosemeyer Scholarship

(1998) The scholarship was established by Mrs. Glosemeyer's friends and family to benefit graduates or GED recipients from designated high schools in eastern Oklahoma County.

#### Freda Poole Grayson Scholarship

(1997) The scholarship was established by family in honor of longtime Midwest City teacher Freda Poole Grayson to benefit graduating seniors of Midwest City High School.

Dortha Dever,

scholarship donor

#### Greater Oklahoma City Alumnae Panhellenic Foundation Scholarship

(2013) The scholarship was established by the Greater Oklahoma City Alumnae Panhellenic Foundation to benefit female graduating seniors from Oklahoma City area high schools.

#### Harris Harding Scholarship

(2013) The scholarship was established by the Harris Foundation to benefit graduating seniors from Harding Charter Preparatory School.

#### Mary Louise Hartpence Scholarship

(2014) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of Mary Louise Hartpence to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### Geneva Hood Award — Casady School

(1999) The award was established by Dr. and Mrs. J. William Hood in memory of Mr. Hood's mother, a longtime teacher. Annual awards benefit a Casady School faculty member who is selected by their peers and best exemplifies the commitment and enthusiasm necessary to be an outstanding teacher.

#### Jonas & Mary Beatrice House Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Mr. and Mrs. House to benefit black graduating seniors of Douglass High School.

#### G. Ed Hudgins Scholarships – OSU College of Engineering

(1989) The scholarship was established by longtime Oklahoma City architect G. Ed Hudgins to benefit a fourth-year architectural design student and a fourth-year architectural engineering student at Oklahoma State University.

#### **Hudiburg Family Fund Scholarships**

(2005) The scholarships were established by the Hudiburg family to benefit graduating seniors in the Mid-Del Public School System.

#### **Geneva Johnston Hudson Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Edmond Public School teacher Geneva Johnston Hudson. Awards benefit members of the Kappa Kappa Iota organization for professional educators who are pursuing a degree in education at the University of Central Oklahoma.

#### Khader K. Hussein Awards in Palliative Care

(1999) The awards were established by the Hospice Foundation of Oklahoma in honor of Dr. Hussein's service to benefit students graduating from Oklahoma City University Kramer School of Nursing, University of Central Oklahoma Department of Nursing, Southern Nazarene University School of Nursing and the University of Oklahoma College of Nursing. In addition, an annual award is made to a medical student graduating from the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine.

#### **Hutchinson Scholarship**

(2010) The scholarship was established by the Hutchinson family to benefit graduating high school seniors in specific counties of western Oklahoma and southern Kansas.

#### **Hutchinson Corporate Scholarship**

(2010) The scholarship was established by the Hutchinson family to benefit Hutchinson Oil Company or Hutch C Store employees and their dependents.

#### Ironworkers Local 584 Harvey A. Swift Scholarship

(2002) The scholarship was established by the Ironworkers Local 584 trade association and is named in honor of the group's longtime business manager, Harvey A. Swift. Awards benefit graduating high school seniors whose parents or grandparents are members of the association.

#### Virgil & Pauline Jackson Scholarship

(1998) The scholarship was established by Mrs. Jackson in memory of her husband to benefit students at Langston University.

#### **St. James Catholic School Scholarships**

The following funds provide tuition assistance scholarships for students attending St. James Catholic School.

- Albert & Freda Marottek Scholarship (1998) established by Mrs. Marottek in memory of her husband, Albert.
- Lorene Sherman Memorial Scholarship (2001) established through a gift from Lorene Sherman's estate.
- Tracy Wilson Memorial Scholarship (1998) established by Ken and Thala Wilson in memory of their son, Tracy.

#### Dennis James Scholarship — Deer Creek Baseball

(2007) The scholarship was established by family and friends in memory of Dennis James, a supporter of the Deer Creek baseball program. Awards benefit Deer Creek High School graduating seniors who have played baseball at the school.

#### Miles Jenkins Memorial Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established by friends and family in memory of Deer Creek teacher Miles Jenkins. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Deer Creek High School.

#### **Kay Jewell Scholarship**

(2005) The scholarship was established to honor the 2004 Putnam City High School Teacher of the Year, Kay Jewell. Awards benefit Putnam City High School graduating seniors with a specific Individual Education Plan (IEP).

#### William M. & Janet S. Johnson Scholarship

(1987) The scholarship was established through gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Johnson's estate to benefit graduating seniors of Minco High School, as well as the Oklahoma City Community Foundation's Nurse Education Program.

#### **Jones High School Scholarship**

(2000) The scholarship was established by community volunteers to benefit graduating seniors of Jones High School.

#### Friends of Kim Jones-Shelton Scholarship

(1999) The scholarship was established by friends and family in honor of Oklahoma City civic leader Kim Jones-Shelton to benefit graduating seniors from central Oklahoma.

## Dorothy Detrick Kendall Piano Scholarship Award — University of Oklahoma School of Music

(1995) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Dorothy Detrick Kendall, a classically-trained pianist who played beautifully by ear and provided a lifetime of musical pleasure for family and friends. Awards benefit faculty-nominated students attending the University of Oklahoma School of Music.

#### Dr. Edith King Mental Health Court Scholarship

(2007) The scholarship was established in honor of Oklahoma City psychologist and mental health advocate Dr. Edith King to benefit a graduate student pursuing specialized education in mental health.

#### **Rev. Kenneth King Memorial Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by family in honor of Rev. Kenneth King, a retired Roman Catholic priest who dedicated his life to serving rural churches. Awards benefit graduating seniors from rural high schools who will attend St. Gregory's University.

#### Martha King Scholarship\*

(2015) The scholarship was established by Oklahoma City Community Foundation Trustees in appreciation of Martha King's 20 years of volunteer service on our Trustee Scholarship Initiative committee and as a Disaster Relief Fund trustee. Awards are made through our Community Foundation Scholars program.

#### **Kirschner Trust Scholarship**

(1995) The scholarship was established by the E. Phil & Roberta L. Kirschner Foundation and is awarded through our Oklahoma Youth with Promise Scholars Program to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### **Donna Vandiver Knapp Piano and Vocal Music Education Fund**

(2012) The fund was established by Donna and Bobby Knapp to benefit students majoring in music education with an emphasis in piano or vocal music at the University of Oklahoma.

#### Valerie Koelsch Memorial Scholarship

(1995) The scholarship was established by the Sheet Metal Workers International Association in memory of Valerie Koelsch, daughter of a local union member who was killed in the 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building. Awards benefit local union members, spouses and dependents.

#### **Donna & Harry Kornbaum Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established by Mrs. Kornbaum to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system who plan to attend the University of Oklahoma.

#### PFC Anthony Adam Landers "Zero To Hero" Scholarship

(2003) The scholarship was established in memory of PFC Anthony Adam Landers to benefit young adults who need academic tutoring to qualify for specific career training through Armed Services Vocational Battery.

#### Sally Jo Clark Langston Memorial Scholarship

(2010) The scholarship was established by Betty Wooldridge Bayse in honor of her mother, Sally Jo Clark Langston. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Classen School of Advanced Studies who wish to pursue a degree in dance or music.

#### Wann & Clara Langston Scholarship

(1978) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of longtime University of Oklahoma College of Medicine faculty member Wann Langston and his wife, Clara. Awards support graduate nursing students at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center.

#### **Learning with Love's Scholarship**

(2009) The scholarship was established by the Love family to honor the entrepreneurial spirit and unending quest for learning exemplified by Tom and Judy Love. Awards benefit employees of Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores and their dependents.

#### Tommy & Jackie Maxon Scholarship

(2014) The scholarship was established by the Maxon family in memory of Tommy and Jackie to benefit graduating seniors of Cashion High School.

#### June Mitchell McCharen Scholarship

(2010) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Mrs. McCharen to benefit graduating seniors of Harding Charter Preparatory High School who are nominated by school faculty for their persistence amid challenging circumstances.

#### **McGee Foundation Scholarship Fund**

(2006) The scholarship fund was established by the McGee Foundation, a private foundation created by one of our original Trustees Dean McGee. Awards are made through our Trustee Scholarship Initiative to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system and students who will be the first in their family to attend college.

#### **Benny McReynolds Memorial Scholarship**

(2010) The scholarship was established through a gift from Mr. McReynolds' estate to benefit graduating seniors from Frederick High School who will attend Western Oklahoma State College.

**Creating a Legacy of Community Pride** 

Tommy and Jackie Maxon are remembered for their tremendous pride in their hometown of Cashion, Oklahoma. Thanks to memorial gifts from friends and family, their love for the Cashion community will live on through a scholarship at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation.

Born and raised in the small town just 20 miles north of Oklahoma City, Tommy was a lifelong supporter of

Ryan Harrel, scholarship recipient

Cashion athletics. His wife, Jackie, was a beloved teacher at Cashion Elementary School for 18 years. In 1987, Tommy died of cancer at age 38, and his family created a scholarship in his honor to support students graduating from Cashion High School. In 1994, Jackie was killed in a car accident at age 46, and, once again, the scholarship was a fitting tribute.

In 2014, their family transferred the Tommy and Jackie Maxon Scholarship to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. Tommy's sister, Diana Fowler, says they wanted to ensure the scholarship would continue indefinitely.

"It's a comfort knowing the scholarship will benefit Cashion students even after we're gone," said Diana. "Cashion holds a special place in our hearts."

Recent Cashion graduate and scholarship recipient Ryan Harrel shares a similar passion for the community.

"One thing I love about living in Cashion is that it feels like one big family," said Ryan. "There is a lot of support from the community."

While Ryan plans to leave Cashion and attend college in the fall, he intends to carry on Tommy and Jackie Maxon's legacy of community pride.

"I want to come back some day and give that support to the next generation," said Ryan. "Cashion will always be a place I call home."

Tommy and Jackie Maxon

#### **Ruth Mershon Scholarship**

(2006) The scholarship was established through a gift from the estate of longtime physician Ruth Mershon. Awards benefit graduating seniors in central Oklahoma who demonstrate exceptional academic performance.

#### **Charles C. & Mary Lou Miles Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by family in honor of longtime educators Charles and Mary Lou Miles to benefit graduating seniors in central Oklahoma.

#### Michael Neal Minter Sr. Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established by friends and family of Mr. Minter to benefit graduating seniors of public high schools in Oklahoma County.

#### **Richard Moesel Scholarship Fund**

(2003) The scholarship was established by family in honor of Richard and Marjorie Moesel's contributions in establishing the horticulture technologies program at Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City (OSU-OKC). Awards benefit students pursuing a degree in horticulture technologies at OSU-OKC.

#### Dr. Gary M. Moore Dance & Arts Management Scholarship

(1999) The scholarship was established by Oklahoma City University alumnus Dr. Gary Moore to benefit students studying dance or arts management at the school.

#### Dr. Gary M. Moore Great Plan Scholarship

(2007) The scholarship was initially established by Dr. Moore and later funded through a gift from his estate to benefit students with financial need attending Oklahoma City University Petree College of Arts and Sciences.

#### Northwest Classen High School Class of 1956 Scholarship

(2007) The scholarship was established by Northwest Classen High School class of 1956 alumni and is awarded to a graduating senior of the school through our Community Foundation Scholars program.

#### **OKC Northwest Lions Club Scholarship**

(2005) The scholarship was established by the OKC Northwest Lions Club to benefit third or fourth-year students attending Southern Nazarene University School of Business.

#### **Oklahoma Goodwill Industries Abilities Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by Goodwill Industries of Central Oklahoma to benefit Oklahoma graduating high school seniors with disabilities.

#### **Oklahoma Academy of Physicians Assistants Scholarship**

(2015) The scholarship was established by the organization to benefit second-year students enrolled in an accredited Oklahoma physician assistants program.

#### Oklahoma Fire Chiefs Association - Keith Bryan Memorial Scholarship\*

(2014) The scholarship was established by the Oklahoma Fire Chiefs Association in memory of Nichols Hills Fire Chief Keith Bryan to support firefighter training.

#### Oklahoma State Board of Architecture Path to Licensure Scholarship\*

(2015) The scholarship was established by the board of governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma. Awards benefit third, fourth and fifth-year students accepted to professional architecture, landscape architecture or interior design degree programs in Oklahoma.

#### **Oklahoma Youth With Promise Scholarship**

(1996) One of our Trustee Scholarship Initiative programs, the Oklahoma Youth With Promise Scholarship was initially established through gifts from the Richard Coyle and Carolyn Berry families. Awards benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### **Orner-Cook Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by Robert and Carolyn Orner in memory of Carolyn's mother, Gretchen Cook. Awards benefit Oklahoma graduating high school seniors pursuing study in languages, international business/economics, petroleum/geology, history, psychology or sociology.

#### Deborah R. & Wayne A. Parker Scholarship

(1970) The scholarship was established by Mr. Parker in memory of his wife, Deborah. Awards are made through our Community Foundation Scholars and Oklahoma Youth With Promise Scholars programs.

#### Sen. Homer Paul Memorial Scholarship for Pauls Valley High School

(2006) The scholarship was established by family in honor of Oklahoma State Senator Homer Paul. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Pauls Valley High School who will attend the University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma State University.

#### Almeda Kinch Pfleeger Scholarship\*

(2015) The scholarship was established by Depew High School alumna Almeda Pfleeger through a planned gift of retirement assets. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Depew High School.

#### Louise Harris Moore Phillips Duke University School of Nursing Scholarship

(2006) The scholarship was established by family in honor of Ms. Phillips to benefit nursing students studying holistic health practices at Duke University.

#### Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club Scholarship

(1990) The scholarship was established by the Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club of Oklahoma City to benefit active Pi Beta Phi members at the University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma State University.

#### **Pilot Club Scholarship**

(1985) The scholarship fund was established by the Oklahoma City affiliate of Pilot International and supports awards through our Trustee Scholarship Initiative.

#### Floy I. Pinkerton Vocal Music Scholarship

(2004) The scholarship was established by the Smith & Kernke Funeral Home and the Kernke family in honor of the company's longtime soloist and secretary Floy Pinkerton. Awards benefit Oklahoma City University vocal music students who are nominated by school faculty.

#### Alice & Phil Pippin Eagle Scout Project Scholarship

(2014) The scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Pippin to benefit Eagle Scouts with the top Scout project in each district of the Boy Scouts of America - Last Frontier Council.

#### Larry W. Roach Leadership Award

(2002) The award was established by the Benham Companies and other donors in honor of Larry Roach, a former senior vice president of the company. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Midwest City High School and Carl Albert High School.

#### **Jeffry Rogers Education Memorial Scholarship**

(2006) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Jeffry Rogers, a U.S. Marine who was killed in Iraq in 2005. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Putnam City North High School.

#### **Anna-Faye Rose Scholarship**

(2013) The scholarship was established by Oklahoma City Community Foundation Trustees in appreciation of Anna-Faye Rose's 18 years of service as the scholarship administrator. Awarded through our Community Foundation Scholars program, the scholarship benefits a graduating high school senior who will be the first in their family to attend college.

#### Mary Baker Rumsey Volunteer Award — Junior League of Oklahoma City

(1992) The award was established by Joseph Rumsey in honor of his mother, Mary Baker Rumsey, who was the first president of Junior League of Oklahoma City. Awards benefit charitable organizations designated by a Junior League member who is selected for lifetime service to the community.

#### **Harold W. Schmid Scholarship**

(2015) The scholarship was established by the family of Harold Schmid to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### Seay A. Sanders Jr. Scholarship

(2006) The scholarship was established in honor of longtime Townsend Elementary principal Seay Sanders to benefit graduating seniors of a Mid-Del high school who attended Townsend Elementary.

#### Matthew George Scott-Bronco IV Ever Scholarship

(2013) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Matthew Scott, a 2012 Mustang High School graduate who played on the Mustang Broncos basketball and baseball teams. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Mustang High School.

#### Mary & Spencer Sessions Teaching Award — Guthrie Public Schools

(1989) The award was established by family in memory of longtime Guthrie teacher Mary Sessions and her husband, Spencer, who served on the Guthrie Board of Education. Awards benefit outstanding teachers at Guthrie Public Schools who are selected by school faculty.

#### Willie Elizabeth Shipley Scholarship

(1981) The scholarship was established through a gift from Miss Shipley's estate, and awards are made through our Oklahoma Youth with Promise Scholars Program to benefit students formerly in Oklahoma's foster care system.

#### **Trustee Community Foundation Scholar Awards**

The following awards have been established in honor of past Trustees who served nine or more years on the Oklahoma City Community Foundation board. These scholarships are awarded through our Community Foundation Scholars program and benefit graduating seniors from any of the 52 high schools participating in our Central Oklahoma Guidance Counselor Network, unless otherwise noted below.

J. Edward Barth Community Foundation Scholar Award (1998) Benefits a graduating senior at Casady School.

James C. Clark Community Foundation Scholar Award (2014) Benefits a graduating senior at Northwest Classen High School.

Nancy Coats-Ashley Community Foundation Scholar Award (2012)

**James R. Daniel Community Foundation Scholar Award** (2011) Benefits a graduating senior at Northwest Classen High School.

Paul W. Dudman Community Foundation Scholar Award (2010)

John E. Green Community Foundation Scholar Award (2010)

Kirkland Hall Community Foundation Scholar Award (2012)

James H. Holloman Jr. Community Foundation Scholar Award (2006)

Jane Jayroe Community Foundation Scholar Award (2013)

**Judy Love Community Foundation Scholar Award** (2011) Benefits a graduating senior at Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School.

#### **G. Stephen Mason Scholar Award** (2013)

Benefits a graduating senior who is an outstanding Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America Last Frontier Council.

Frank McPherson Community Foundation Scholar Award (1998)

Harry Merson Community Foundation Scholar Award (2015)\*

J. Larry Nichols Community Foundation Scholar Award (2013)

Ronald J. Norick Community Foundation Scholar Award (2007)

Paul B. Odom Jr. Community Foundation Scholar Award (2007)

William F. Shdeed Scholarship (2010)

Benefits a graduating senior at Northwest Classen High School.

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#### **Jeanette Sias Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established by memorial contributions from friends and family of Jeanette Sias. Awards benefit members of the Oklahoma City University chapter of the Sigma Alpha Iota music sorority.

#### Joe B. Smith Memorial Class of 1942 Scholarship Fund

(2008) The scholarship was established through a gift from Mr. Smith's estate to benefit graduating seniors of Stratford High School.

#### **Robert V. Smith Memorial Scholarship**

(1999) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Robert V. Smith to benefit graduating seniors of John Marshall, Oklahoma Centennial, Harding, Northeast, Douglass or Millwood high schools.

#### Pete & Lela Stavros Scholarship

(2002) The scholarship was established by the Stavros family and the Oklahoma State Firefighters Association (OSFA) following Pete Stavros' retirement from the organization. Awards benefit graduating Oklahoma high school seniors whose family are OSFA members.

#### Horace Stevenson Scholarship\*

(2015) The scholarship was established by Douglass High School alumnus Horace Stevenson to benefit graduating seniors from Douglass, Capitol Hill, Millwood, Northeast, Southeast or U.S. Grant high schools.

#### **Wendell Steward Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by the Southwest Homebuilders Association in memory of longtime director Wendell Steward. Awards benefit graduating seniors from Moore Public Schools who plan to pursue education leading to a career in the construction industry.

#### **Jason Sublette Heart of a Leopard Memorial Scholarship**

(2011) The scholarship was established by friends and family in memory of Lindsay High School graduate Jason Sublette. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Lindsay High School.

#### **Survivors' Education Fund**

(1995) The fund was established following the 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building to support scholarships for dependent children whose parents were killed or permanently disabled in the bombing as well as the surviving children in the federal building day care center.

#### Jim Thomas/Berta Teague Scholarship\*

(2016) The fund was initially established in 2004 in honor of Berta Teague by the estate of Jim Thomas, a longtime supporter of Oklahoma Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) sports. The scholarship will benefit student athletes.

#### **Roy Edward & Darlene Young Thornton Scholarship**

(2014) The scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Thornton to benefit graduating seniors of the Mid-Del Public School System.

#### **Troop 193 Leadership Scholarship**

(2003) The scholarship was established by Scout leaders to further the ideals of scouting and to reward young men and women who excel in leadership. Awards benefit Troop 193 graduating seniors who remain active in the Scouts and Campfire organizations.

#### Mary E. Watkins Scholarship\*

(2016) The scholarship was established by former Congressman Wes Watkins in honor of his mother, Mary. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Bennington High School.

#### **Carolyn Watson Opportunities Scholarship**

(2010) The scholarship was established by longtime chair and CEO of Shamrock Bancshares, Carolyn Watson. Awards benefit graduating seniors of rural Oklahoma high schools who demonstrate exceptional ability and excel beyond the high school environment in arts and humanities, science and engineering or community leadership.

#### **Brian Wechsler Memorial Scholarship**

(2009) The scholarship was established by family in memory of Brian Wechsler to benefit a graduating senior of Edmond Memorial High School who participates in extracurricular and community-based activities.

#### Michael J. Weiss Scholarship

(2009) The scholarship was established in memory of Michael Weiss, co-founder of the national shopping cart supplier Carts and Parts, Inc. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Oklahoma City Public Schools, Carts and Parts employees' dependents and Emanuel Synagogue students.

#### Western Oklahoma Building Trades Scholarship

(1997) The scholarship was established by the organization to benefit members of participating unions, their spouses and dependents.

#### Westmoore High School Alumni Scholarship

(2012) The scholarship was established by the Westmoore High School Alumni Association to benefit graduating seniors from the school who demonstrate outstanding community and school service.

#### **James Whitfield Employee Scholarship**

(2008) The scholarship was established by Quail Creek Golf and Country Club in honor of longtime employee James Whitfield to benefit club employees.

#### **Dean Wild Memorial Scholarship**

(2008) The scholarship was established by family in honor of longtime coach, teacher and administrator Dean Wild. Awards benefit graduating seniors of the schools where Mr. Wild taught including Putnam City West, Frederick, Hollis and Watonga high schools.

#### **Deral E. Willis Scholarship**

(2000) The scholarship was established by a gift from the estate of Deral Willis, former valedictorian of Sentinel High School and longtime service member in the U.S. Army. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Sentinel High School.

#### James M. Wilson Scholarship

(2003) The scholarship was established by family in honor of longtime agricultural education teacher James Wilson. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Boswell High School.

#### Mildred & William Young Scholarship

(2007) The scholarship was established by the Mahone Family Foundation in honor of their family friends, Mildred and William Young. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Hobart High School.

#### **Dan Zanowiak Memorial Scholarship**

(2007) The scholarship was established by family in honor of mathematics teacher Dan Zanowiak. Awards benefit graduating seniors of Edmond Santa Fe High School who plan to pursue an area of study with a focus on quantitative analysis.

#### Guy G. and Ginger S. Zimmerman OU Scholarship

(2008) The scholarship was established by Ginger in honor of her late husband, Lt. Col. Guy Zimmerman, who was a U.S. Army veteran, high school teacher and graduate of the University of Oklahoma. Awards benefit graduating high school seniors attending the University of Oklahoma.

#### Charitable Organization Endowments: Educational and Scholarship Support

The following charitable organization endowments also provide support for scholarship programs. These endowments differ from our scholarship funds since the application process and selection of recipients is administered by the organization instead of by the Oklahoma City Community Foundation.

#### Ray and Lucille Ackerman Oklahoma City University Marketing Scholarship

(2010) The fund was established by Ray and Lucille Ackerman to support scholarships for marketing students at Oklahoma City University.

#### Meinders School of Business, Oklahoma City University

- Undergraduate Scholarship
- Graduate Scholarship

(2014) The funds were established by Herman and LaDonna Meinders to support a scholarship for undergraduate students and a scholarship for graduate students enrolled in a master's program in either business administration or accounting at the Meinders School of Business.

#### **Moore High School Alumni Association Scholarships**

- '70s Legacy Scholarship (2013)
- George and Doral Hopper Scholarship (2007)
- Hoby and Anita Horn Scholarship (2011)
- Moore High School Alumni Association Scholarship (2005)
- Music Scholarship (2011)
- Bennie Raine Scholarship (2005)

The funds were established by the Moore High School Alumni Association and other donors to support scholarships for graduating seniors of Moore High School.

#### **Oklahoma Engineering Foundation Scholarship**

(2000) The fund was established by the Oklahoma Engineering Foundation to support scholarships for engineering students at Oklahoma universities.

#### Oklahoma Pilots Association Vic Jackson Scholarship

(1998) The fund was established by the Oklahoma Pilots Association in memory of pilot Vic Jackson to support an award for students studying aviation, aviation education or airport management.

#### Oklahoma Youth Expo - Davis/Stephens Scholarship

(2013) The fund was established by the Oklahoma Youth Expo, the state's largest youth livestock show, to provide scholarships and leadership activities for students.

#### **OSU-Agricultural Education Scholarship Inc.**

(2000) The fund was established to support scholarships for students enrolled in the agricultural education program at Oklahoma State University.

#### Will Rogers Air National Guard Scholarship

(1998) The fund was established by the Will Rogers Air National Guard Retirees Association, also known as the Gray Eagles, to support awards for dependents of Gray Eagle Members.

#### Society of Petroleum Engineers International, Oklahoma City **Section Scholarship**

(2010) The fund was established by the Oklahoma City section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers to support scholarships for dependents of members or students pursuing a degree in petroleum engineering.

#### Marie Welch Independent Insurance Agents of Oklahoma Scholarship

(1992) The fund was established by the Independent Insurance Agents of Oklahoma in honor of the first female president of the American Association of Managing General Agents to support scholarships for students who have chosen insurance as their major.

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