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Community Foundation Announces Student of the Year; Awards More Than \$119,000 in Scholarships

Springfield – The [Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln](http://www.CFLL.org) today announced 57 new scholarship awards totaling more than \$119,000, during a reception at the Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation in Springfield.

This year's awards bring the cumulative scholarship distributions to mostly Sangamon County students to more than \$800,000 over the past 12 years. In 2016 27 individuals, families and organizations supported these scholarship funds.

This is the second year that the Community Foundation assumed responsibility for the administration of the local *Student of the Year Award*. Meagan McNicholas from Rochester High School and Victoria Londrigan from Sacred Heart-Griffin High School were the second runner-up winners, each being awarded a \$2,500 scholarship. The first runner-up winners, who were each awarded a \$5,000 scholarship, were Tucker Hirsch from Williamsville High School and Eric Mason from Lanphier High School. Ejehi Erewele from Springfield High School was presented with the Student of the Year award, which includes a \$10,000 scholarship.

“The Community Foundation is proud to work on behalf of many donors who have made it possible to award these scholarships to worthy students to help offset the rising costs of higher education,” said Harry Berman, chair of the Community Foundation’s Scholarship Committee.

For more information concerning the scholarship program or establishing a scholarship fund, please call the Community Foundation at 217-789-4431. The next application season for students will begin on January 1, 2017, with applications due March 1, 2017. Scholarship criteria and information will be posted on the Community Foundation’s website, www.CFLL.org.

-MORE (List of Recipients Following)-

2016 Community Foundation Scholarship Recipients

Bud & Helene O'Shea Construction Scholarship

Meagan Harlow, Glenwood High School, \$1,000

CFL Service Scholarship

Taylor Justison, Glenwood High School, \$1,300

Charlie Cottle Scholarship

Taylor Justison, Glenwood High School, \$1,500

Donna and Donald Lee Wolaver Memorial Golf Scholarship

Gregory Schmidt, Rochester High School, \$500

Farrell and Ann Gay Scholarship

Anna Benoit, Sacred Heart-Griffin, \$1,500

Julia Mitchell, Southeast High School, \$1,000

Janie Sutherd, Lanphier High School, \$750

Frontiers International \$1-K Scholarship

Tyree Hamilton, Springfield High School, \$1,000

Frontiers International Springfield Club Scholarship

Derick Briscoe, Lanphier High School, \$500

Alexa Brown, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Caleb Crawford, Lanphier High School, \$500

Kanicia Green, Lanphier High School, \$500

Dalia Hassan, Springfield High School, \$500

Diamond Jackson, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Haley Jackson, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Eric Mason, Lanphier High School, \$500

Isaiah Timms, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Alannah Wilson, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Gerald F. and Luanna R. Kennedy Scholarship

Wade McMillen, Pana High School, \$1,500

Girls on the Run of Central Illinois Founder's Scholarship

Anne McAllister, Springfield Southeast High School, \$1,000

Henry Bunn Memorial Scholarship

Jacob Cisco, University of Illinois Springfield, \$5,000

Caleb Crawford, Lanphier High School, \$5,000

Krista Duncan, St. John's College of Nursing, \$5,000

Eric Mason, Lanphier High School, \$5,000

Brett Palmer, Illinois College, \$5,000

Michaela Pattie, Illinois State University, \$5,000

Madeline Pearce, Auburn High School, \$5,000

Lyna Rehan, University of Missouri - Kansas City, \$5,000

Illinois Women in Leadership Chrysalis Award

Eryn Krueger, Benedictine University, \$1,000

Illinois Women in Leadership High School Scholarship

Michelle Hedlund, Pleasant Plains High School, \$1,000

Kaylee Nichols, Williamsville High School, \$1,000

Janek Squibb, Glenwood High School, \$1,000

Jamie K. Patino Math and Science Scholarship
Alexa Brown, Springfield Southeast High School, \$750

Jim Byron Scholarship
Kirsten Parr, Williamsville High School, \$1,000

Joseph and Lois Morris Memorial Scholarship
Danielle Hurley, Springfield High School, \$2,000
Savannah Jones, Springfield High School, \$2,000
Jacob Woodard, Springfield High School, \$2,000
Anthony Williams, Springfield High School, \$2,000

L. Scott Hoff Scholarship
Caleb Crawford, Lanphier High School, \$1,000

Linda S. Culver Memorial Scholarship
Victoria Davis, Taylorville High School, \$1,300

Lori L. Kashmer Scholarship
Kirsten Parr, Williamsville High School, \$3,000

Margaret Johnson Special Education Scholarship
Mackenzie Ent, Glenwood High School, \$600

Mary Lou & Dwight Pitman Scholarship
Tucker Hirsch, Williamsville High School, \$1,000

Paul V. Gage Community Service Scholarship
Mary White, Vienna High School, \$600

Pearl Fairfield Scholarship
Haley Jackson, Springfield Southeast High School, \$500

Reverend Kenneth H. White Family Scholarship
Dylan Leach, Lanphier High School, \$650
Hannah Mobley, Lanphier High School, \$650

Sgt. John R. Dalhaus Memorial Scholarship
Zachary Skinner, Litchfield High School, \$1,000

SAHBA Robert E. von Behren Memorial Scholarship
Meagan Harlow, Glenwood High School, \$1,000

The Association for Women in Communications Scholarship
Mackenzie Lyons, Lincoln Land Community College, \$500

World War II Illinois Descendants Scholarship
Tucker Hirsch, Williamsville High School, \$1,000
Allyson Taylor, Wayne City High School, \$1,000

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