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## **MERCED COLLEGE FOUNDATION AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS**

More than \$121,000 in scholarships was awarded to 169 students during the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Scholarship Sunday awards ceremony, hosted by the Merced College Foundation, on May 17. A total of 241 awards were provided to incoming freshman, continuing and transferring students.

“We are very proud of our program,” said Louise Farley, president of the Foundation Board of Directors. “Our donors are so generous, and without their support this would not be possible.

Following is the list of scholarship recipients and their awards.

Adrian Alvarez (Lakireddy Family Foundation Scholarship - \$1,000, Merced - Mariposa County Medical Society Auxiliary Scholarship - \$200); Adriana Hernandez (AARP Chapter 282 Merced Scholarship - \$500); Ahlaam Huwiah (Coca Cola Scholarship - \$500); Alex Garcia (Barnett Family Music Scholarship - \$600.00, Gary MacKenzie Memorial Scholarship - \$300.00, Fraternal Order of Eagles#2194 Scholarship - \$400.00); Alexander Krumm (Campus Café Scholarship - \$500); Alvaro Martinez McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Alyssa Wright (Associated Students of Merced Scholarship - \$200); Amanda Hage (Taher Scholarship - \$500); Amanda Martin (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000, Michael L. Riley Memorial Scholarship - \$500, Annabelle Broddrick Klinger Scholarship - \$600.00).

Ana Lopez (AAUW - Merced Branch Scholarship - \$1,000, County Bank Minority Scholarship - \$500); Andreina Mendez (John J. Latorraca Law Enforcement Scholarship - \$250.00); Angela Dunham (Glen Sheesley Memorial Trust Scholarship - \$250.00); Areli Gonzalez (Fraternal Order of Eagles#2194 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship - \$400.00); Ariel Banda (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Arlene Ortega (Mercy Medical Center Merced Scholarship - \$500); Arrielle Delfin - (Polk Dance Teachers Cooperative Scholarship - \$500); Art Maglinte (Merced College Faculty Association

Scholarship - \$200); Arthur Emus (Associated Students of Merced Scholarship - \$200, Merced Medical Clinic Scholarship - \$500); Ashley Bray (California Women for Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, Les & Liz McCabe Family Scholarship - \$500).

Audra Hart (Melissa Smith Scholarship - \$500); Brandy Lopez (Merced School Employees Federal Credit Union Scholarship - \$1,500); Brean Bettencourt (California Women for Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, Lawrence Migliazzo Memorial Scholarship - \$200, Hughes & Margaret Smith Scholarship - \$1,000, A.H. Tony & Delores Rose Scholarship - \$200); Brittney Day (Yosemite Farm Credit, ACA Scholarship - \$750.00); Carissa Moulton (St John Festa, Inc Scholarship - \$500); Carla Cornejo (Math & Science Alumni Scholarship - \$300.00); Catherine (Bettis Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Christopher Minor (Arnold, Ione & Brynhild Grasmoen Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000, Merced College CSEA Chapter #274 Scholarship - \$300.00), James E. Shepard Memorial - \$300.00); Cindy Soares (June Prowell Scholarship - \$200).

Cody Lightfoot (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - \$1,000); Cristian Hernandez (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - \$1,000); Cynthia Magana (Frances Luxhoi White Scholarship - \$250.00); Daniel Alcorn (Clarence and Margaret Schlegel Memorial Scholarship - \$300.00); Daniel Fishman (Byron Cunningham Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00), Ken Randol Memorial/Merced Rotary Scholarship - \$1,000, Bill & Tom Kirby Agricultural Scholarship - \$500); Daniel Lemus (Foster Farms Scholarship - \$500); David Fishman (Yosemite Farm Credit, ACA Scholarship - \$750.00, Fraternal Order of Eagles #2194 Scholarship - \$400.00); David Migliazzo (John Deere Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, Fraternal Order of Eagles #2194 Scholarship - \$400.00); Deborah Corvaglia (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000, John & Nancy Westerholm Scholarship - \$450.00); Dipak Anand (E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$500).

Dominique Escamilla (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500, Delta Kappa Gamma Zeta Gamma Joyce Payne Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000); Douglas Stockton (Jeff Denham Future Leaders Scholarship - \$1,000); Elaina Torralba (Stanislaus Voiture 653, Society 40 & 8 Scholarship - \$500); Elyn Taylor (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Erik Wells (Michael Evans Memorial Trust Scholarship - \$200, Dr Robert Ballengee Harvey Memorial Music Scholarship - \$200); Esther Herrera (Joanne Ingels Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00, Margaret Randolph Scholarship - \$500); Florence Thomsen (Juanita Dolores Burnett Memorial Scholarship - \$200); Gilbert Chavez (Taher Scholarship - \$500); Ginger Clark (Shepherd of the Valley Scholarship - \$500); Grecia Negrete (Jim & Bernice Kidd Scholarship - \$200).

Gursharnjit Kaur (Merced Breakfast Lions Club Scholarship - \$500); Gursharnjit Kaur (Merced College Pre - Medical Club Scholarship - \$125.00); Hannah Glenn (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Heather Marciel (Arnold, Ione & Brynhild Grasmoen Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000,

Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500); Heather Phan (Campus Café Scholarship - \$500); Hector Ayala - Pacheco (John Deere Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, Howard Natcher Memorial Trust Scholarship - \$300.00); Hein Oo (Arnold, Ione & Brynhild Grasmoe Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000); Henry Lee Chandler Jr. (Foster Farms Scholarship - \$500, P G & E Merced Field Services Scholarship - \$1,000, Iver K. Brand/Stanislaus Farm Scholarship - \$1,000); Hillary Brown (Anne Johnson Memorial Scholarship - \$200, Angela & Lisa Williams Memorial Scholarship - \$500).

Irving Villa (George Mack Memorial Scholarship - \$200); Iyo Kubota (Pacific Bell Pioneers Merced Life Member Club Scholarship - \$200); Jamila Ewing (Castle Air Force Base Officer's Wives Club Scholarship - \$500); Janelle Hernandez (Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Jared Enos (Don Avila Mechanized Ag Scholarship - \$400.00), Fraternal Order of Eagles #2194 Scholarship - \$400.00); Jasjit Samra (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Jason Temple (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Jason Decker (Merced College Faculty Association Scholarship - \$200); Jeffery Bertalotto (AARP Chapter 282 Merced Scholarship - \$500, Ferrero Family Trust Scholarship - \$400.00, Merced Breakfast Lions Club Scholarship - \$500, Science, Math, & Engineering Scholarship - \$1,000).

Jennifer Stark (AAUW (Merced Branch UC Merced Transfer Scholarship - \$1,000, Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000, Merced Breakfast Lions Club Scholarship - \$500); Jennifer Burdette (Society 40 & 8, Stanislaus Voiture 653 Scholarship - \$500, Mary Keating Memorial Scholarship - \$400.00); Jennifer Dupre (Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Jenny Lee (Eagle of Millerton Little Fox Woman Scholarship - \$500, Fraternal Order of Eagles #2194 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship - \$400.00); Jessica Luz (Dana Exum Memorial Scholarship - \$500); Jian Guan (Louis P. Gonella Memorial Scholarship - \$200); Jose Guillen (Merced College Faculty Association Scholarship - \$200); Joseph Zamora (James Kubo Memorial Scholarship - \$750.00, P G & E Merced Field Services Scholarship - \$500, Larry Clark Memorial Scholarship - \$325.00).

Josh Evans (Lakireddy Family Foundation Scholarship - \$1,000); Joshua Bourbon (John & Nancy Westerholm Scholarship - \$450.00); Joshua Spork (Merced County Historical Society Scholarship - \$500); Joshua Holt (John Deere Agriculture Scholarship - \$500); Juanita Coriano (Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Juanita Lee (Campus Café Scholarship - \$500); Julie Perryman (Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Juliemarie Carreiro (Society 40 & 8, Stanislaus Voiture 653 Scholarship - \$500); Justine Pimentel (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - \$1,000); Kamerson Huddleston (Don Odishoo Memorial Scholarship - \$500); Kary Alvernaz (Coca Cola Scholarship - \$500); Kathy Verstoppen (Dean S. Leshner Trust Scholarship - \$1,000), Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500, Delta Kappa Gamma Zeta Gamma Maude Edmondson Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000).

Katie Mackey (Dean S. Leshner Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Katrina Basso (Merced College Pre - Medical Club Scholarship - \$125.00); Katrina Basso (Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Katrina Rodriguez (Larry Clark Memorial Scholarship - \$325.00, Theodore & Doris Koerner Jr Scholarship - \$500); Kayla Clarot (Barnett Family Art Scholarship - \$600.00); Keiko Aoki (Educational Employees Credit Union Scholarship - \$500); Kenny Lomoljo (P G & E Merced Field Services Scholarship - \$500); Kevin Xiong (Ellison Scholarship - \$500); Kimitaka Nakazawa (Catherine & Ted McVey Scholarship - \$300.00, Randy Nahas Memorial Trust Scholarship - \$250.00); Kory Vitato (Merced College CSEA Chapter #274 Scholarship - \$300.00, Stephan Gray Memorial Scholarship - \$500, Loyd "Red" Prichard Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00); Koungla Vang (Jackie Weeks Eck Vocal Scholarship - \$300.00).

Kyle Harrison (Ralph Kaufman Memorial Scholarship - \$200, (Jerry Young Memorial Scholarship - \$500); Lai Lor (Eagle of Millerton Little Fox Woman Scholarship - \$500); LaToya Blocker (Angela & Lisa Williams Memorial Scholarship - \$500); Laura Meller (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000, Patrick Mahoney Memorial - Athletic Trainer Scholarship - \$300.00); Laurie Baria (Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500); Lenis Madrigal (Theodore & Doris Koerner Jr Scholarship - \$500); Leyla Delfin - Polk (Eyleen Peterson Dance Teachers Cooperative Scholarship - \$500); Liliana Sanchez (AARP Chapter 282 Merced Scholarship - \$500); Linh Nguyen (Foster Farms Scholarship - \$500); Lizett Casanova (Jean Carlson Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00, Chrysalis/PEO Chapter UC Re - Entry Col Arvid Doucette Memorial Scholarship - \$500); Loan Nguyen (Shepherd of the Valley Scholarship - \$500).

Logan Todd (Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500); Lue Xiong (James & Barbara Cox Scholarship - \$400.00); Mai Lee (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000); Manuel Hiram (Dominguez - Cruz Associated Students of Merced Scholarship - \$200, Dominguez Cruz (Merced College Pre - Medical Club Scholarship - \$250.00); Maria Torres (Johanna Trust Scholarship - \$200, Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Maria Cruz (Shepherd of the Valley Scholarship - \$500, Gary MacKenzie Memorial Scholarship - \$300.00); Maria Mora (Badhesha Family Scholarship - \$250.00, E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$500); Maria D Leon - Rodriguez (Merced School Employees Federal Credit Union Scholarship - \$1,500.00); Mariana Mojica (Castle Air Force Base Officer's Wives Club Scholarship - \$500, Disabled American Veterans #31 Scholarship - \$500); Marissa Chavez (Merced College Faculty Association Scholarship - \$200); Mark Wilson (Patrick Mahoney Memorial - Athletic Trainer Scholarship - \$300.00); Matthew Amaral (Catherine & Ted McVey Scholarship - \$300.00).

Melissa Ricketts (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000); Melissa Stephens (Dean S. Leshner Trust Scholarship - \$1,000, Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$200); Melissa St Antoine (David Basmajian Memorial Scholarship - \$300.00, Don Stewart Scholarship - \$1,000); Michael Silva (Automotive Technology Valley Vintage Car Club

Scholarship - \$300.00); Michelle Bullock (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Mikayla Stettler (Foster Farms Scholarship - \$500); Mollie Rudich (Don Stewart Scholarship - 1,000.00, Fraternal Order of Eagles#2194 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship - \$400.00); Monica Wilson (Ferrero Family Trust Scholarship - \$400.00, George A. Fuller Memorial Scholarship - 200.00); Naomi Estrada (John J. Latorraca Law Enforcement Scholarship - \$250.00); Navin Prasad (E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$500); Olivia Andam (Rahilly Scholarship - \$200).

Paige Evans (Cynthia E. Garcia Memorial Scholarship - \$400.00, Fraternal Order of Eagles#2194 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship - \$400.00); Pakamon Sopajaree (Delta Kappa Gamma Zeta Gamma Fran Weir Scholarship - \$1,000); Patricia Guzman (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Patrick Landrum (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - 1,000.00, James W. Barger Memorial Scholarship - \$200); Pete Dicochea (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Ramona Armenta (Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500); Ray Leija (Chuck & Sylvia Fennessy Scholarship - \$500, Philosophy Scholarship - \$200); Rebecca Curtis (Jeanet Barker Memorial Scholarship - \$400.00); Ricardo Velasquez (Bud Stout Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00); Robert McGhee (P G & E Merced Field Services Scholarship - \$1,000); Robin L Zuspan (Badhesha Family Scholarship - \$250.00, Janice Dryja Memorial Scholarship - \$350.00, E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$250.00).

Ruben Rodriguez (May Grant Robbie Scholarship - \$500); Ryan Barger (Mercy Medical Center Merced Scholarship - \$500); Saajidah Abdul – Hameem (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Sarah Haynes (Shepherd of the Valley Scholarship - \$500, Vivian Grace Reyburn Broddrick Scholarship - \$200); Shelby West (California Women for Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, Crawford Family Scholarship - \$250.00); Sherri Plemon (Gateway Quilter's Guild Scholarship - \$500, Merced College Faculty Association Scholarship - \$200); Shirley Dismuke (Arnold, Ione & Brynhild Grasmoen Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000); Shota Fuse (Campus Café Scholarship - \$500); Simone Salas (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000, Charles Ostrander Memorial Scholarship - \$200).

Sonya Mendoza (Jim & Lu Edmondson UC Merced Scholarship - \$1,000); Spencer Bowen (Associated Students of Merced Scholarship - \$200, McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Stephen Crane (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - \$1,000); Steven Tunzi (AARP Chapter 282 Merced Scholarship - \$500, Elmo Giampaoli Ag Business and Accounting Scholarship - \$750.00); Suzanne Nickerson (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000, Silva Family Scholarship - \$200, Denham Future Leaders Scholarship - \$1,000); Taylor Morrow (John Deere Agriculture Scholarship - \$500, McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS - \$1,000); Thang Pham (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Theresa Johnston (Haden & Dawson Scholarship - \$200); Thomas Fry (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship HS -

\$1,000); Timothy Starkweather (Marilyn & Don Fister Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00).

Timothy Verrinder (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500); Tonya Mundello (E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$500); Tove Sjurson (McConnell Honors Trust Scholarship - \$1,000); Veronica Luna (Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500, Schelby Agricultural Advisory Committee Scholarship - \$200); Veronica Vasquez (E.J. Rose Scholarship - \$1,000); Wataru Sasaki (Taher Scholarship - \$500); Whitley Freitas (Merced/Mariposa Retired Teachers Scholarship - \$500); Xavier Diaz (Arnold, Ione & Brynhild Grasmoen Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000); Yosuke Shimada (Elmo Giampaoli Ag Business and Accounting Scholarship - \$750.00); Yurino Kawamura (Merced College Foundation Golf Scholarship - \$500).