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Mahalo

for giving students a brighter future

Because of generous donors like you, more than \$7 million in scholarships were awarded to over 1,300 Hawai'i students this year.

Your scholarship gives students the hope and ability to pursue their dreams. Thank you for supporting the future of Hawai'i.



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Sherly Acob

Enrolled Institution: North Park University

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Nursing

High School: GED or equivalent

This scholarship will impact my future by providing the funds to pay for part of my tuition. I hope that I can pay to finish college and become the first in my family to graduate from a university. This scholarship is an important step in my adventure to coming back home with knowledge and the ability to give back to my community.

Auli'i Ah Loy

Enrolled Institution: Hawai'i Community College

Class Standing: Sophomore - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Nursing

High School: Honoka'a High School

My journey to return to school has been a long one. A journey that would not have been possible had it not been for the scholarships made available to students like me, a single mom wanting a better future for my family. I will forever be grateful to those who have had a hand in helping me achieve my goal of becoming a registered nurse.

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Tyanna Aranaydo

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Public Health

High School: Honoka'a High School

I am determined to reach my goals and receive my nursing degree. Being the first in my family to attend a university has not been easy. Receiving a scholarship will help me advance my career goals to even higher levels as I would love to be able to receive my BA in Public Administration with a concentration in Community Health along with a ASN- RN Nursing degree. Any aid I am able to receive will be put towards my educational dreams. Having a strong work ethic I truly believe I'm capable of accomplishing my goals.



Sheldon Aribal

Enrolled Institution: Pacific University

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Computer & Information Science

High School: Hawai'i Preparatory Academy

This scholarship will take some of the financial burden off of my family and I. I can better focus on school and future prospects, without the worry of huge debt. I plan to eventually get a job in programming, and with a scholarship, I can spend less time working to pay for college, and more time fine tuning my craft as I think I have a long ways more to go till I am competent enough for that job. I appreciate the opportunity given by the Hawai'i Community Foundation, Thank you!

Elizabeth Bailey

Enrolled Institution: University of Arizona

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Class Standing: Graduate/Professional - 1st Year

Enrolled Major: Education

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapālama

Being selected as a recipient for an award is a supportive aid towards financing my education, it also allows me to put intense focus on my studies and educational goals. It is my hope to attend school full-time in an effort to complete my degree on the fastest path possible. By receiving your generous scholarship, I will apply these monies to take an additional class each term in order to achieve this objective in lieu of finding a supplementary job position.



Rachael Bianchi

Enrolled Institution: Great Falls College Montana State University

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Dental Hygiene

High School: Kealakehe High School

This scholarship will impact my future by allowing me to follow my dreams by economically supporting my unwavering path in life. I believe in myself, and I'm betting on myself; I'd also like you to believe in me. I'm a hard worker, I paid off my undergraduate student loans by working 80+/hour weeks for over 2.5 years. I was fortunate enough to receive scholarships last year and just recently made the Dean's List for my first semester as I was able to focus on school and not work fulltime.

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Jayden Bosque

Enrolled Institution: University of Portland
Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate
Enrolled Major: Engineering
High School: Parker School

I was born and raised in Hawai'i, and although I adore the place I call home, I have not had much opportunity to venture out further and experience the rest of the world. My dream is to study and experience the world in a new place. An award means the potential to change my life and make my aspirations a possibility, in turn becoming the engineer that I want to be. Our family is ultimately relying on outside funds to send me to university that can give me the education that I need. Becoming an engineer means that I can study and learn how to make my ideas into products and change my community for the better.



Hunter Bugado

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Hilo
Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate
Enrolled Major: Japanese Studies
High School: Parker School

The impact of this award will provide additional assistance helpful to guarantee my educational aspirations. My parents have both worked very hard to be able to provide me with the best possible education they could obtain. They encourage me to pursue my aspirations in educational environments while also encouraging me to be the best person I can be. That is why I believe any financial contribution I am able to receive can help to put my parents' minds financially at ease. I want to be able to help them feel secure.

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Okhayla Carreira

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Maui College

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Dental Hygiene

High School: Honoka'a High School

With the experience of being a Dental Assistant, my goal is to continue my education and become a Dental Hygienist. I want to be able to help the native Hawaiian community, because Hawai'i is known to have a high rate of poor oral health. Hawai'i desperately needs more Hygienists. It will also improve overall health. Without this help I am able to achieve what I have been wanting to do for the past seven years. Being independent from a young age and a broken home, it took me a while to get where I am now. But I couldn't be any happier and proud of where I'm at. To say that I did it all on my own and never gave up, is already a personal accomplishment. It is huge honor to receive this scholarship, so that I can achieve my goals.



Antone Cootey

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Manoa

Class Standing: Sophomore - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Biology

High School: Honoka'a High School

This award will impact my future by letting me pursue a career in a field where I get to help people and make a difference in my community. These funds will allow me to get my education without the worry of paying back loans for the next twenty years and instead focus on my studies and how I can use the knowledge I gain to change the world. I am incredibly grateful for your generosity and will continue to work hard every day towards my ultimate goal: a better future for generations to follow.

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Ku'uleihua Funn

Enrolled Institution: National College of Natural
Medicine

Class Standing: Graduate/Professional

Enrolled Major: Medicine

High School: Honoka'a High School

This award will help my future because it will allow me to take off the financial burden of medical school loans. If awarded financial assistance, I will be able to focus on starting a meaningful practice with my community in Hawai'i and care for those in most need. After working with kūpuna in my community as I attend medical school in Portland and seeing concerns they had about their health, I would like to provide sliding scale services to those in most need when I return to Hawai'i.



Kana'ikai Gaughen

Enrolled Institution: Oklahoma Christian University

Class Standing: Graduate/Professional - 2nd Year

Enrolled Major: Computer Science

High School: Hawai'i Preparatory Academy

This scholarship will impact my future by financially supporting my education. Education is so expensive these days and your support will make my educational goals become a reality. This scholarship will provide me a career to support a family in the future and allow me the resources to give back to my community. By investing in my future you are actually investing in Hawai'i. I was born and raised in Hawai'i and I plan on staying here supporting my Hawai'i!

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Tayson Hirayama

Enrolled Institution: University of Washington

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Engineering - Mechanical

High School: Hawai'i Preparatory Academy

My parents want me to begin my life after college with no student debt. Their generosity has allowed me to go to a private high school and they have shown their support for me going to the colleges that I have applied for. My parents have done so much for me and the least I can do is apply for scholarships to help ease the burden of paying for my college. I hope to come out of college with a great paying job so that I can repay my parents for everything as soon as possible.



Kiera Javillonar

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Hilo

Class Standing: Graduate/Professional - 2nd Year

Enrolled Major: Pharmacy

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapālama

This scholarship will impact me in huge ways. My goal is to continue my education at the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy. This scholarship will help tremendously in covering my graduate student tuition, fees, and living expenses. I greatly appreciate your support, as it will make a huge impact on my life and education. I thank each person who gives their time and money to support Hawai'i's students and for being so generous in helping our people become more educated.

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Marques Kahawai'i

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawaii - Hilo

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Astronomy

High School: Honoka'a High School

I am pursuing a college education as part of my life plan. I am excited to pursue my passion and achieve my goal of becoming an astronomer. Through college, I will meet new people, develop life skills, and expand my knowledge to influence the world of science. Your confidence in me encourages me to persevere and succeed.



Kylee Kahuanui-Keawe

Enrolled Institution: Hawai'i Community College

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Business - Management

High School: Honoka'a High School

Aloha! I would like to thank the generous people who made this scholarship possible for not only me but all the students of Hawai'i. This scholarship will impact my future by helping me learn about my history. This scholarship will help me build my small business and create products that I will sell and give to my community. It will also help me find a way to support my community with my small business. Once again I would like to thank the generous people who created this scholarship to support the children of Hawai'i.

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Hunter Kalahiki

Enrolled Institution: Lewis & Clark College
Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate
Enrolled Major: Political Science
High School: Parker School

I belong to a low income family and it is difficult to fathom the concept of college tuition. I have a single mother with two kids that works insanely hard to support the both of us and makes sure we have every opportunity in life we can get. Receiving an award from HCF will help me represent my culture and people. I know many Native Hawaiians, that weren't able to go off to school because they didn't have the resources. I want to be a role model for other Native Hawaiians that we can succeed.



Debra Kaluna

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu
Class Standing: Sophomore - Undergraduate
Enrolled Major: Public Administration
High School: Pāhoa High School

As a non-traditional student in my mid-forties, I really know what it's like to need something and have the means to fulfill it. Whereas, having a need like pursuing education and not being able to fulfill it. When I received word last semester from those that did offer aid, I was overjoyed with emotion of gratitude and knowing my goal is in reach, in movement. "No excuses now Debra." I will be the first in my family to receive my Bachelor's, as I was the first for my Associates. From the bottom of my heart and my husbands as well, we thank you so much.

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Brooks Kaniho

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Hilo

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Accounting

High School: Kamehameha School – Hawai'i

I am very thankful to receive a scholarship from HCF. My tuition going into my senior year added up to over 14 grand, but this scholarship for this last senior year of school means I don't have to take out any more loans for school. This also motivates me in a way to do better, and finish off strong since I have people who support my education in accounting. Eventually I will look to give back to this foundation with charity so that I can support the future generations in education.



Ethan Lee

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Mānoa

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Architecture

High School: Kamehameha School – Hawai'i

This scholarship will affect my future by giving me the means to complete my education in architecture and get me closer to my dream. I wish to contribute my skills to the community and help solve some of the housing issues we have in Hawai'i. To do this, I need to graduate with my bachelor's degree, probably go into some sort of higher education (masters or doctors or architecture here at Mānoa), and then make my way towards getting licensed. This scholarship will relieve some stress in doing just this.

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Tyra Makaiau

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Mānoa

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Marketing

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapālama

I am very passionate about helping people and learning about their experiences. This scholarship will help me to further my education and decide on a career where I can help others while also learning about and advocating for different cultures and issues worldwide. I have always been interested in working with people and have always loved learning about the history and culture of people and places, which in turn helps me to have a better understanding and appreciation for the world around me.

Melanie Mamhot

Enrolled Institution: Chaminade University of Honolulu

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Education-Elementary

High School: Honoka'a High School

I am in my last year of attending Chaminade University of Honolulu. College is expensive, and right now I am juggling two jobs. My dream is to become an elementary school teacher with a license to teach students in grades Kindergarten through sixth. I have dreams of teaching students how to read and write and calculate math problems efficiently, because this creates a foundation for them to one day accomplish their dreams. Reading is fundamental to opening doors to so many opportunities. Receiving scholarships will help to alleviate costs of tuition, books, and online schooling bringing me closer to receiving a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and one day having a classroom full of bright promising students.

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Shawnee Marsh

Enrolled Institution: Chaminade University of Honolulu

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Nursing

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapālama

Being granted the opportunity to receive a scholarship means the world to me and significantly impacts my future in becoming a registered nurse. Your generosity allows me to continue my studies and helps me to become the best nurse that I can be so that I can graduate and give back to my community by caring for the sick.

Kira Parker

Enrolled Institution: University of Vermont

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Neuroscience

High School: Hawai'i Preparatory Academy

This scholarship will impact my future by helping me continue to create it. This money will give me the opportunity to study without financial burdens looming over my shoulder. This way I can devote more of my time and energy to help my community and my studies, rather than stressing over finding the cheapest textbook or where I'll get the money for groceries. By having minimal debt post-grad, I will be able to create more opportunities for other aspiring kama'āina like myself.

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Kahealani Phillips

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Hilo

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Social Work

High School: Honoka'a High School

My father is currently battling cancer and my parents don't make much money to begin with. Receiving this scholarship ensures that I get to continue my education to the college level so I can graduate, start a career, and support myself as well as my family in the future.



Zane Robertson

Enrolled Institution: Salt Lake Community College

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Physics

High School: Parker School

This scholarship will impact my future by giving me the opportunity to obtain a degree in Hawai'i so I can afford to live in Hawai'i and remain a part of the community that has shaped me. I have seen too many of my family members have to move to Las Vegas or Oregon because they can't afford to live in Hawai'i, even though they are of Hawaiian Ancestry.

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Skyler Roque-Sunahara

Enrolled Institution: Southwestern Oregon Community College

Class Standing: Junior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Sports Science

High School: Hawai'i Preparatory Academy

This award will impact my future not only to help me out financially, but also personally because receiving any type of award means a lot to me for my main priority which is receiving my degree and focusing on academics. An award like this truly helps me and my family out financially as college is not very cheap and every penny helps out no matter the amount I may receive when it comes to paying for my college tuition. This award helps me strive toward my academics which is most important to me as well as letting me compete in baseball which I plan on continuing to do throughout the rest of my years in college.

Hunter Tripp

Enrolled Institution: University of Hawai'i - Mānoa

Class Standing: Senior - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Human Resource Management

High School: Kanu O Ka 'Āina PCS

This scholarship will impact my future by allowing me to prioritize my education rather than having to focus on being able to be financially sufficient to pay for my education. I have a single mother who solely supports my brother and I. She pays for our education and supports us in everything that we do. I want to focus on making her proud of the person she has raised me to be by learning how to better myself both educationally and personally. This scholarship will allow the stress level of the many things in life to be lowered and allow my family and I to sleep easily at night knowing that we have such caring supporters in our community.

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Jaydon Tripp

Enrolled Institution: Southern Oregon University

Class Standing: Freshman - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Marine Biology

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapalama

I would like to go to college to study Marine Biology. Through my experiences, I have been able to see coral bleaching and overfishing first hand and I want to help with these problems as much as I possibly can. In some places, coral bleaching and overfishing are problems that will only get worse if nothing is done about it. I want to help and restore these reefs and these ecosystems as much as possible. This award will impact my future because it will allow me to get the college education I need in order to help with these problems as well as many other problems yet to come.



Jeremy Yee

Enrolled Institution: Kapi'olani Community College

Class Standing: Sophomore - Undergraduate

Enrolled Major: Business - Entrepreneurship

High School: Kamehameha School - Kapalama

I am beyond thankful. Living through a rough time like this while a worldwide pandemic is going on, you do see the fine details at the end of the day. Whether it's financial needs or someone you know affected by COVID everything in between is serious. I am currently the first in my family to attend a four-year college.