153 students receive $228K in scholarships

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BRISTOL – The Main Street Community Foundation has awarded more than $228,000 in scholarships to 153 students this year thanks to funds established by local donors.

Much has changed in the last few months but one thing has not – students are still finding ways to further their education.

As in past years, Main Street Community Foundation’s scholarship program is here to help. This year the Foundation awarded a total of $228,742 in scholarships to 153 students at varying levels of their academic careers.

“We are proud to support these students and grateful to the donors whose generosity has made scholarships possible since the Foundation’s establishment 25 years ago,” said Susan Sadecki, president & CEO of Main Street Community Foundation.

Sadecki said that while she is sad that the Foundation couldn’t hold their usual scholarship reception event due to COVID-19 restrictions, the process for receiving scholarships was unchanged this year. The scholarships were awarded based on the returns from last year.

“They did well,” said Sadecki. “Each year the amount of scholarships that we give out grows. Donors establish these funds with the intent to make sure that students are assisted. They are meant to be perpetual funds.”

The student recipients – graduating high school seniors, current college students, adults returning to school and elementary and secondary school students – hail from the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott as well as surrounding communities.

Since 1995, 86 scholarship funds have been established or transferred to the Foundation by generous local individuals, families and businesses. Although each scholarship fund has unique criteria, all donors seek to assist students in pursuing their education and career goals; they have a shared belief that helping students ease the financial obligations of education is an investment in the future.

All scholarship recipients are selected through a competitive blind application process. A volunteer committee appointed by the Foundation’s Board of Directors evaluates all applicants.

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The 2020 Main Street Community Foundation scholarship recipients are as follows:
Burns Scholarship - St. Joseph/St. Paul Fund: Quinn Burns and Andrew Shamper

Academic Achievement Award: Angela Corsino

Christian Arndt Scholarship Fund: Dillon Camarillo

E. Bartlett Barnes Award of Journalism Fund: Jaymie Bianca, Zoe Krueger and Logan Zdun

Stanley P. Bitel Memorial Fund: Thatcher Erickson

Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship Fund: Brooke Cyr

Peter and Marjorie Bossi Educational Fund: Philip Andrews

Bowerman Scholarship Fund: Jessica Oakes

Bristol Boys & Girls Club Schulman Fund: Stanley Cardona-Toledo, Josias Reynoso and Jasmine Trotman

Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial Scholarship Fund: Jithu Sajeevan

Bristol Police Scholarship Fund: Adam DeVille

Bristol Yale Club Scholarship Fund: Disha Beri, Ryan Krompegal, Alexis Ludko, Jithu Sajeevan and Gabriella Williams

Burlington Lions Charities Scholarship Fund: Lauren Alvarez, Morgan O'Regan and Morgan Sokol

Conn Acoustics Scholarship Fund: Casper Muter

Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund: Karolina Wojtysko

Rit Croce Academic and Vocational Scholarship Fund: Ryan Krompegal

Richard A. DellaVecchia Scholarship Fund: Erik Kryzanski

Jeffrey Downes Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Trades: Bret Martin

Karen Finder Scholarship Fund: Jainelys Sierra-Martinez

Carolyn Fisher Scholarship Fund: Kady Pedersen

Olivia Fusco Memorial Art Scholarship Fund: Francesca Scavone

Joann Galati Scholarship Fund for Education: Eliza Odum

GE's Industrial Solutions Scholarship Fund: Samuel Dorman, Hannah Schulz, Akhilesh Tumu and Lauren Viets

Andrew and Murielle Giacomini Scholarship Fund: Maria Santilli

Azilda Hebert Music Scholarship Fund: Luke Ashworth

Grace & Norma Joy Scholarship Fund: Jithu Sajeevan

John Kalinoski Scholarship Fund: Abigail Moyles

Kalt Moreau Family Scholarship Fund for Education: Lauren Aparo
. KAWFY Memorial Scholarship Fund: Emma Doran, Michaela Hughes, Julia McPherson and Jake Napoli
. Vincent T. Kozyrski Scholarship Fund: Rebecca Bender
. Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship Fund: Jacob Zappone
. John J. and Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship Fund: Rebecca Bender and Jithu Sajeevan
. Leger Initiative for Education Fund: Zinah Erzaij □ Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship Fund: Logan Zdun
. Therese MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Fund: Alexandra Schloessser
. Nicholas P. Maglio ACE Fund: Disha Beri
. Main Street Community Foundation Scholarship Fund: Feryal Alhamadani
. Maskery Family Scholarship Fund: Helena Yawin
. Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Medical Scholarship Fund: Emma Doran, Chloe Grabowski, Peyton Greger, Mikayla Lewandoski, Emily Tricarico and Karolina Wojtysko
. McMaster-Moulthrop Scholarship Fund: Angela Corsino, Christian Chokshi, Jason Feto, Katherine Funk, Nadine Masayda, Mackenzie Pina, Mark Petrosky, Robin Pan, Zachary Stirk and Zaheer Turtem
. Dorothy Micloskey Ives Award Fund: Luke Ashworth
. Ken E. Micloskey Award: Emily Morgan
. Dave Mongillo Memorial/Golf Scholarship Fund: Max Chubet
. Al and Joan Monico Scholarship Fund: Disha Beri, Ryan Krompegal, Jithu Sajeevan and Norma Serrano
. NESMA Scholarship Fund: Osama Ahmed and Alyssa Lavoie
. AJR Nocera Memorial Fund: Fadima Kamano and Julia Zaniewski
. Anthony Norton Scholarship Fund: Casie Wunsch
. Scott W. Organ Student-Athletic Scholarship Fund: Adam DeVille
. Ralph Papazian Memorial Scholarship Fund: Rebecca Bender
. Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship Fund: Julia Zaniewski
. Dorothy Dewey Picard Music Scholarship Fund: Travis Lavigne
. Plymouth Community Club Scholarship Fund: Jacob Zappone
. Alice Pulsifer Memorial Scholarship Fund: Julia Marchak
. Max and Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund: Valerie Blanchard
. Radcliff Family Education Fund: Alexa Cahill, Carter Dziedzic, Kerly Delgado and Selena Norton
. Radcliff Plainville High School Fund: Jared Demmons, Jason Demmons, Andrew Michalek and Emanuel Yawin

. Louis J. Rascoe Scholarship Fund: Kady Pedersen

. Julie A. Roche Nursing Scholarship Fund: Mikayla Lewandoski

. Douglas Roland Aid for the Trades Scholarship Fund: Matthew Erb

. Clement J. Roy Scholarship Fund: Rebecca Bender □ Dora Schubert Scholarship Fund: Casie Wunsch

. Lawrence (Larry) Selza Memorial Scholarship Fund: Rania Mavinga

. Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education: Brithanie Liddy

. Jill Lynne Shackett Educational Scholarship Fund: Lauren Aparo, Emily Bourassa and Matthew Girard

. Southington Observer/StepSaver Scholarship Fund: Chloe Grabowski □ Jay & Elizabeth Tyrrell Scholarship Fund: Angela Buonocore and Brithanie Liddy

. Dr. Joan T. Wallace Prize for Highest Achievement in English at Southington High School: Sarah Meade

. Peggy Ann Walsh Memorial Scholarship Fund: Disha Beri, Emily Diaz, Zachary Lavoie and Jithu Sajeevan

. Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund: Megan Johnson

. John Whitcomb Scholarship Fund: Lauren Aparo

. Eva Brodowicz Wickwire Volunteer Scholarship Fund: Era Pasha

. Pat & Bob Wollenberg Scholarship Fund for Special Education: Brooke Cusano and Tyler Elliott

. Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Fund: Carly Adams, Emilee Adami, Phoebe Barlow, Bryce Beebe, Jordan Brunelle, Steven Carbone, Gary Gagnier, Michael Kaminski, Jack Kozikowski, Nicholas Leonard, Jack Null and Summer Siefken

Furthermore, the following scholarships were awarded to local elementary and secondary school students:

. Keating-Monaghan Memorial Scholarship Fund awarded scholarship grants to 29 students attending St. Joseph School in Bristol

. Lena M. & Peter L. Korotie Scholarship Fund awarded one student attending St. Paul Catholic High School a scholarship grant

. Malerbo Memorial Scholarship Fund awarded scholarship grants to 15 students attending St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol

. Saint Matthew School Scholarship Fund awarded one student attending St. Matthew School in Bristol a scholarship grant