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Local students showcased at scholarship dinner

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The Main Street Community Foundation handed out over 120 scholarships at the 2019 annual scholarship reception to students in the towns they service: Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

MSCF administers scholarship funds on behalf of donors in the towns served by the foundation. Scholarships are awarded to qualified individuals who meet the criteria established by the donor when the scholarship fund was created.

"Congratulations to all of the recipients this evening. You are

receiving well-deserved honors for all of your hard work and to certainly help you advance your educational goals so that you can land those terrific career and job opportunities that you have been searching for," said MSCF president and chief executive officer Susan Sadecki. "We hope that the scholarships you receive tonight put you on that journey of success."

Since the foundation was established 24 years ago, 239 funds have been created by donors. Eighty-five of those are scholarship funds. This year, a volunteer scholarship committee reviewed over 1,000 scholarship applications.

"Thank you to all of our donors, who so generously have given of themselves to start these scholarship funds at the community foundation," said Sadecki. "Congratulations to our donors, who believe in the importance of education and for generously supporting many educational pathways of students in our local communities." Sadecki also congratulated parents and family members, who have encouraged students to strive "no matter what challenges are faced."

Funds are established at the foundation with a clear purpose. The scholarships assist students at varying points in their educational journeys.

To find out more about scholarships available through MSCF, visit www.mainstreetfoundation.org.

The following Southington students received college scholarships from the following funds:

Dave Mongillo Memorial-Golf Scholarship Fund—Cory Hemsen.

Dr. Joan T. Wallace Prize for Highest Achievement in English at Southington High School—Maxwell Heath.

GE's Industrial Solutions Scholarship Fund—Julia Jackman.

Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund—Alyssa Landrie.

Olivia Fusco Memorial Art Scholarship Fund—Olivia White.

Richard A. Della Vecchia Scholarship Fund—Eli Steindl.

Robert E. and Angeline P. McCormack Scholarship Fund—Asami Castellano.

Southington Observer-StepSaver Scholarship Fund—Erica Klem.

Therese MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Fund—Colin Burdette.

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