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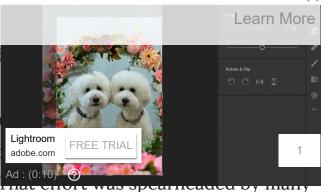
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BRISTOL — The Greater Bristol Branch of the NAACP established the Reverend Dr. Eddie C. Whitehead of Bristol CT - Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund at Main Street Community Foundation.

The Greater Bristol Branch of the NAACP has I members said in a statement. "While the local that political, educational, social and economic individuals in the local community, it was give reorganized in 1985," according to members. ""



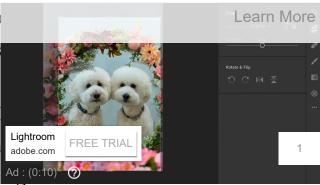
community members and pastors, including Reverend Dr. Eddie C. Whitehead. The scholarship honors his legacy and continues their mission of advancing educational opportunities."

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An annual scholarship is now available to graduating high school seniors in Bristol, Burlington, Harwinton, Plainville, Plymouth and Southington who are pursuing higher education at a college, university or vocational/technical institution. The last scholarship was awarded in 2018 for \$500.

"Partnering with Main Street Community Foundation allows this scholarship to

now be permanent," said Eric Clemons, preside the NAACP. "This fund was created so the Gre could create a legacy for the communities we remember the efforts of men and women like whose dreams to insure educational opportun this fund forever. It's the gift that keeps on giv



"Pastor Whitehead, who would proudly tell you he was born in Yazoo City, Mississippi, was always knocking on whatever doors he had to help push the envelope of opportunity and equality in our community. In his younger days, he had seen more than his share of opportunities denied in the Jim Crow South," said Clemons. "Whomever he visited was guaranteed a good conversation, a push to take action, and some biblical advice to top it all off."

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