



2023
Scholarship
Program
Funds and Recipients

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Main Street Community Foundation Scholarship Program

Main Street Community Foundation's scholarship program brings together students and donors who care about education. The Foundation currently administers over 90 named scholarship funds that have been established by individuals, families, businesses and other organizations. Although each scholarship has unique criteria, all donors seek to assist students in pursuing their education and achieving their goals and dreams. They believe that helping students ease the financial obligations of education is an investment in the future.

Because of these donors' generosity, the Foundation awarded over \$328,000 in scholarships to 144 students in 2023. The students – graduating high school seniors, current college students and adult learners – hail from the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott as well as other communities. They are continuing to pursue their education by attending four-year colleges and universities, community colleges, military academies and vocational/technical schools.

Volunteer Scholarship Committee

All scholarships are awarded through a blind competitive application process. A volunteer selection committee appointed by the Foundation's Board of Directors evaluates all applications before recommending recipients.

Thank you to the members of the volunteer Scholarship Committee for all of their hard work and dedication in evaluating over 1,500 applications in 2023:

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Establishing a Scholarship Fund at Main Street Community Foundation

Scholarship funds at Main Street Community Foundation were established by individuals, families and businesses from all across central Connecticut. While their motivations for establishing the funds vary, they all share one thing – the desire to help students achieve their educational and career goals.

Scholarship funds provide financial assistance to students pursuing educational opportunities in a variety of different areas and at different stages of their academic careers. Moreover, the majority of these funds are endowed, which means that the Foundation can continue to award these scholarships to students forever.

There are two ways you can make a meaningful impact on local students through the Main Street Community Foundation:

- 1. Establish an individual named fund.**

You can establish a named fund for any level of education. You may designate a particular school, field of study and select eligibility criteria. The fund can be started using a variety of gift giving vehicles, including: cash, stock, retirement assets and other tangible personal property. The minimum donation to establish a scholarship fund is \$25,000. This gift can be given as a lump sum or over a period of time during your life. You may also leave charitable assets upon your passing in the form of a bequest in will or trust, retirement plan designations or beneficiary designation in a life insurance policy.

- 2. Contribute any amount to an already established named fund.**

You can donate any amount at any time to any of the established funds at the Foundation. Each scholarship fund has its own purpose and you can choose which fund to donate to based on your passion and the type of student you want to help.

Scholarships By the Numbers

194 scholarships are being awarded from
89 funds at Main Street
Community Foundation



Dollar amount of
scholarships
awarded:

\$328,114



Average
scholarship
award size:

\$1,691



Number of cities
and towns students
come from:

18

Number of students awarded
scholarships:

144



Number of scholarship recipients
by grade level:

Elementary and secondary school: **46**

Graduating high school senior: **67**

Current college student: **31**

Recipients from Individual Named Funds at Main Street Community Foundation

Main Street Community Foundation congratulates the following students and acknowledges the generosity of the individuals, families, businesses and organizations that have established funds to make these scholarships possible.

This list includes students who will be continuing their post-secondary education at four-year colleges, military academies, community colleges or technical/vocational schools.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FUND

Jillian Kovitch
Madeleine Lamontagne
Ashley Totten
Bristol Central High School

Established by an anonymous donor in 2015, this fund supports academically talented graduating seniors of Bristol Central High School. The students must be ranked academically in the top 10 of the class and must have attended Bristol Central for three years.

CHRISTIAN ARNDT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Zachary Oemcke
Terryville High School

This fund was established in 2006 through a bequest from the estate of Christian Arndt to support a scholarship for a Terryville High School student who shows academic promise, particularly in the area of science.

E. BARTLETT BARNES AWARD OF JOURNALISM FUND

Colin Cavallari
Bristol Central High School
Zoe Krueger
Wheaton College
Alexis Osowiecki
Lewis S. Mills High School
JiaLiAn Stolfi
University of Connecticut

Transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in 1999, this scholarship was originally established in 1980 by a group of community friends wishing to pay tribute to Bart Barnes, retired publisher of the Bristol Press, whose association with this newspaper spanned forty-eight years until his retirement in 1985. His lifelong love of journalism and community service is well-known in the Bristol area, and it is difficult indeed to find a local organization in which Mr. Barnes had not been active, both before and after his retirement. Annual scholarships are awarded to students living in the communities of Bristol, Burlington or Plymouth.

STANLEY P. BITEL MEMORIAL FUND

Julianne Rasten
Southington High School

This scholarship was established in 2015 to honor the life of Stanley P. Bitel, the founder of Rowley Spring and Stamping Corporation in Bristol which was established in 1954. He personified entrepreneurial spirit, continual learning and self achievement all characteristics that should be displayed by the recipient. One scholarship is awarded to a resident of Connecticut who is a graduating high school senior, currently enrolled post secondary student or an adult learner seeking qualifying skilled training in the manufacturing trade. Qualifying training includes apprenticeship programs, technical education/trade schools, workforce development programs or pursuit of a four-year degree in business or engineering as it relates to a career in manufacturing.

SYLVIA BODAK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sakinah Abdulsalam

University of New Haven

This scholarship was established in 2001 by the family and friends of Sylvia Bodak with assistance from the Women's Cancer Care Foundation. The fund was set up to honor the life of a loving wife and mother who passed away in 1999 after a courageous battle with cancer. Through their experiences during Mrs. Bodak's illness, the family had come to know and wished to support the work of individuals in the field of oncology and/or cancer research.

PETER AND MARJORIE BOSSI EDUCATIONAL FUND

Leigha Powell

Bristol Central High School

Established at the Foundation in 2003 by the now late Marjorie Bossi, this fund fulfills her late husband's wish to provide scholarships to help young people. An annual scholarship is presented to a Bristol Central High School graduating senior or past graduate with an interest in music.

BOWERMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Hilton Chanthakhyly

Bristol Eastern High School

This fund was established in 2008, by retired banking executive and long-time community volunteer, Bryan P. Bowerman. Mr. Bowerman, an alum of Bristol Eastern High School, created this fund to award a scholarship annually to a graduating high school senior from Bristol Eastern High School attending the University of Connecticut with a preference given to students accepted at the School of Business.

BRISTOL BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SCHULMAN FUND

Angelina Fasci

Bristol Central High School

Gabriel Philippon

Southington High School

This fund was transferred to the Foundation in 2000 to provide post-secondary scholarship assistance to current and former members in good standing of the Bristol Boys & Girls Club.

Deana Prowell

Bristol Central High School

BRISTOL LIONS CLUB F. FRED SOLIANI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Suzonna Shackford

Bristol Central High School

Transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in 2008, this fund was established by the Bristol Lions Club to honor the memory of F. Fred Soliani, a dedicated and honored member of the Bristol Lions Club. Fred was a noted Bristol Educator and civic activist. The scholarship is available to graduating seniors from Bristol Central High School or Bristol Eastern High School.

BRISTOL LIONS CLUB/JAMES J. KEATING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jeremey Evanoski

Central Connecticut State University

This scholarship fund was established by the Bristol Lions Club with a bequest previously received from the estate of Mark M. Keating. This scholarship honors the memory of Mr. Keating's father, James J. Keating. James was born in 1890 and passed away in Bristol, living to be 107 years old. After retiring, James became invested in eye health after his friend lost their eye sight, and he joined the Bristol Lions Club. As part of his work, he helped organize glaucoma and vision screening drives, as well as led efforts to set up vision screening machines in Bristol schools and institute mandatory vision testing of schoolchildren. A scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior going on to college from Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington or Wolcott, with a preference for a student from Bristol, who is classified as legally blind or visually impaired.

BRISTOL POLICE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jacob Woznicki
Stonehill College

This fund was established in 1999 by Bristol Police Union Local 754 to assist students who wish to pursue a career in local, state or federal law enforcement, judicial systems or related criminal justice fields. It is available to residents of Bristol who are new or past graduates of one of the 3 high schools located in Bristol.

BRISTOL YALE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Bristol Yale Club was established in 1905 as a social and networking group for graduates of Yale University. Over the years its members have assisted many students wishing to attend Yale University. In 1999, club members decided to take a portion of their existing scholarship fund and establish the Bristol Yale Club Scholarship Fund, to assist students wishing to pursue their education at other higher education institutions as well.

Matthew Badorek
University of Connecticut

Amber Champagne
University of Connecticut

Esther Minery
Stonehill College

Christopher Bray
Southington High School

Adrianna Dellaera
University of Connecticut

Emily Nelson
Bristol Eastern High School

Sammi Bray
Trinity College

Savannah Jones
Terryville High School

Sophia Nocera
University of Connecticut

BRISTOL YALE/MILES PECK JENNINGS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kyle Durand
Yale University

Miles Peck Jennings, Sr. was a longtime Bristol resident who was intelligent, fun-loving and admired in the Bristol area. After attending Bristol public schools and graduating from Deerfield Academy, he graduated from Yale College in 1935. After he passed away suddenly at the young age of 39 in 1951, the Bristol Yale Club established the Miles Peck Jennings Memorial Fund to honor and memorialize him. The Miles Peck Jennings Memorial Fund was transferred to Main Street Community Foundation by the Bristol Yale Club in 2021 and renamed the Bristol Yale/Miles Peck Jennings Memorial Scholarship Fund. This scholarship will be awarded annually to graduating seniors or graduates of public, private or parochial secondary schools located in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville or Plymouth. Students must be pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies at an accredited college or university, with a preference for students attending Yale University or any of Yale University's graduate or professional schools or divisions.

BURLINGTON LIONS CHARITIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Hollyn Howard
Alexis Osowiecki
Nicole Sanfilippo
Lewis S. Mills High School

This fund was started by this volunteer service organization to support post-secondary educational opportunities for Burlington residents. The Lions Club seeks students who display proof of community service, have reasonable grades and/or may have some special circumstances which contribute to financial need. Club members are seeking to support students with potential for success who may not receive assistance from other sources.

RON BURNS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Angelina Fasci
Bristol Central High School

This fund was established by The Bradley Family Foundation, Geri Ann Bradley and her family to honor her brother Ron Burns for his tireless community leadership and commitment to the youth members at the Boys & Girls Club of Bristol. This fund will assist members in good standing of the Boys & Girls Club of Bristol with the tuition costs of post-secondary or technical education.

ALICIA M. BUTLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Lauren Aparo

Plymouth State University

This scholarship fund was established in memory of Alicia Mary Butler, who passed away in June 2021. Alicia was born and raised in Bristol, a graduate of St. Paul Catholic High School, and was a lifelong educator. She lived a life full of love, compassion, meaning and purpose. In her career as a teacher and school psychologist in the Cromwell Public Schools and at The Foundation School in Orange, she was a dedicated, devoted champion of special needs children. This scholarship will assist a graduating senior or graduate from one of the three Bristol high schools who is pursuing a major in education or a related education pathway.

EVAN J. CHYUN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sophia Nocera

University of Connecticut

This scholarship was established in 2022 and honors the memory of Evan J. Chyun who passed away four days before his 40th birthday on May 29, 2022 following a tragic automobile accident. Evan was a passionate advocate for social justice especially racial and gender equality. A champion for people often ignored or mistreated by the system, he worked as a public defender striving to make the world a better place for all. This scholarship is available to a graduating high school senior, graduate of Bristol Eastern High School or adult learners who graduated from Bristol Eastern High School and are returning to school.

PEG COUGHLIN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Paige Lavoie

Central Connecticut State University

Established in 2000 by the family of Peg Coughlin, this fund honors her lifelong commitment to nursing. The scholarship is available to individuals who are returning to school or currently enrolled in a nursing studies degree program with preference given to students with an interest in Emergency Room or Hospice nursing care.

RIT CROCE ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Téa Autunno

Plainville High School

Established by Rit's wife Roxanne together with family & friends, this fund honors the memory of Richard "Rit" Croce, a lifelong Bristol resident and mentor to many. Rit taught history, social studies and reading at Bristol Eastern High School for 13 years. In addition to teaching high school students, he worked as a contractor as owner and operator of A & C Contractors which later became Ritco Construction. A scholarship will be awarded annually to an adult returning to school or a graduating senior to pursue post secondary education.

RICHARD A. DELLAVECCHIA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mackenzie Henry

Sacred Heart University

Transferred to the Community Foundation in 2002 by Bill and Pege DellaVecchia, the fund was first established in 1989 in memory of their son, Richard, who was killed in an automobile accident that year at the young age of 21. The fund awards scholarships to residents of Southington who are currently enrolled in a two-year or four-year college with a major in nursing. Applicants must have a passion for the nursing field and must demonstrate leadership skills along with good character and citizenship.

LT. DUSTIN DEMONTE AND SGT. ALEX HAMZY PUBLIC SAFETY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Trent Dubois

Bristol Eastern High School

Emma Tedesco

Bristol Central High School

In early 2023, the Bristol Board of Education established this fund in collaboration with the Bristol Police Department to honor Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sgt. Alex Hamzy for their selfless service, and to remember the sacrifice Dustin and Alex made to the community of Bristol. Both were killed in the line of duty on October 12, 2022. Two scholarships are awarded annually to a graduating senior at Bristol Central High School and a graduating senior at Bristol Eastern High School who are pursuing a major in public safety and/or criminal justice.

KATHERINE DOBROCZYNSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

William Reeves

Southington High School

This scholarship fund honors the memory of Katherine Elizabeth Dobroczyński who passed away unexpectedly in 2013 at the young age of 10. Katie was a proud member of the Southington YMCA and loved to swim, fish with her dad and play golf. She also loved animals and wanted to be a veterinarian. Originally established in 2014 by the co-workers of Katie's mother, Christina Dobroczyński, this fund has been built with donations from family and friends. The first scholarship award was made in the Spring of 2021, the year Katie would have graduated from high school. A scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating senior from Southington High School who is pursuing studies in the area of neuroscience, veterinary medicine or elementary education; a preference is given to current members of the Southington-Cheshire YMCAs.

JEFFREY DOWNES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR THE TRADES

Cody Greger

Bristol Eastern High School

For over 40 years, Jeffrey Downes drove commercial trucks, he loved his work, and truly had a passion for driving. This scholarship fund was established by his family to honor his memory upon his passing in 2015, after a hard fought battle with cancer. A scholarship will be awarded annually to an individual residing in Bristol, Burlington, Harwinton, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington or Wolcott to provide financial assistance towards obtaining skilled training as a commercial driver or other skilled trade with preference given to those applicants seeking a commercial driver license (CDL).

KAREN FINDER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jaysen Stolarz

Sport & Medical Sciences Academy

This fund was established in 2002 by Karen and Robert Finder. Mrs. Finder was the first principal of the Sport & Medical Sciences Academy in Hartford. A scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior at the Sport & Medical Sciences Academy.

CAROLYN FISHER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kendall Garrity

Terryville High School

Transferred from Terryville High School in 2004, this fund provides assistance to a graduating senior planning to attend college and who has an interest in pursuing a career in education.

OLIVIA FUSCO MEMORIAL ART SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Christopher Bray

Southington High School

This fund was established in 2016 by the family and friends of Lucinda Fusco to honor the memory of her daughter, Olivia Helene Fusco, a Southington resident, who sadly passed away in 2015 at the young age of 14. This award is available to graduating seniors from Southington High School who are pursuing a major in visual or performing arts or art education.

JOANN GALATI SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR EDUCATION

Jedric Sutula

Bristol Eastern High School

This fund was established by Joann Galati, a Southington resident who spent 35 years in education, in 2019. Joann wanted to continue her love of working with children and young adults and celebrate her joy of teaching. This scholarship will give graduating seniors or graduates of Bristol Central and Bristol Eastern the opportunity to pursue a career in the field of education.

GE'S INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Elena Argibay

Simsbury High School

Paige Letourneau

Woodland Regional High School

This scholarship was transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in 2015 by GE's Industrial Solutions in Plainville. Since that time, GE's Industrial Solutions was acquired by ABB Industrial Solutions and subsequently relocated to Bloomfield, CT. Scholarships will be awarded annually to eligible dependents of ABB Electrification's North America Product Development Center in Bloomfield, CT.

Rachel Viets

Northwestern Regional 7 High School

ANDREW AND MURIELLE GIACOMINI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Lorelei Stancavage

Bristol Central High School

This scholarship was established by the family and friends of Murielle Giacomini after her untimely death in 2003. In 2009 the scholarship fund was rededicated to also honor the memory of her husband Andrew. This award is open to females who are or who have graduated from Bristol Central with a preference to those who played softball in high school.

JAKE GILBERT MEMORIAL CULINARY ARTS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jacob Hall

Lewis S. Mills High School

This scholarship was established by the Robert Rosenheim Foundation to honor the memory of Jake Gilbert. Jake studied Culinary Arts at Johnson & Wales University, and he was a wonderful, smart human being who accomplished so much in his short time on earth. Jake was diagnosed in 2019 with a rare, aggressive soft tissue sarcoma. Cancer took him on October 21, 2022 at the young age of 24, but his memory will live on forever. This scholarship will help others achieve their culinary passions and dreams while continuing Jake's legacy. It is available to graduating seniors or current college students who reside in or attend/attended high school in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington or Wolcott who are pursuing a degree in the culinary arts.

AZILDA HEBERT MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Aidan Doyle

Bristol Eastern High School

Transferred to the Foundation in 2001, this scholarship was first established by bequest from retired Bristol music teacher Azilda Hebert. This scholarship is awarded to a student from Bristol Central High School or Bristol Eastern High School who is pursuing a career in music education.

DOROTHY MICLOSKEY IVES AWARD

Ashley Totten

Bristol Central High School

Dorothy Ives, a former teacher in the Bristol school system, established this fund in 2002. The Dorothy Micloskey Ives Award is given to a student from Terryville High School or one of the Bristol high schools who would like to pursue a vocation in dance, gymnastics, drama, music or writing.

GRACE & NORMA JOY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Suzonna Shackford
Bristol Central High School

Transferred to the Foundation in 2008, this fund was created by Grace and Norma Joy's nieces Eileen Moylan, Lorry Belanger and Donna Ricci to honor the memory of these two sisters who would have excelled in college if given the opportunity. Both sisters had a high regard for education and volunteered as mentors in the Bristol Public school system representing exceptional role models of independence and strength.

JOHN KALINOSKI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Alice Benson
Terryville High School

This fund was transferred to the Community Foundation from Terryville High School in 2004. It assists a graduating senior from Terryville High School who is in financial need and is interested in post-secondary education at a two or four-year school.

KALT MOREAU FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR EDUCATION

Selena Garcia-Cyr
Bristol Central High School

Susan Kalt Moreau, Ph.D., former Superintendent for the Bristol Public Schools, established this fund in 2018 together with her family to pay it forward in recognition of what others did for her. This scholarship fund will help to further the post-secondary educational goals for female graduating seniors from Bristol Central High School or Bristol Eastern High School pursuing a career in education.

KAWFY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jillian Blaszk
Marist College

Christopher Bray
Southington High School

Sammi Bray
Trinity College

Established by an anonymous donor through an unexpected and generous bequest, the KAWFY Memorial Scholarship Fund will help residents of Southington who are pursuing post-secondary education. Some preference given to students who have a career interest in becoming an author.

VINCENT T. KOZYRSKI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Marcus Concepcion
St. Paul Catholic High School

This fund was established by the Fletcher-Terry Company to honor long-time employee Vincent Kozyrski. This scholarship is awarded to a high school senior pursuing a degree in engineering.

SEAN LANDRY MEMORIAL BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Gary Kozikowski
Terryville High School

This scholarship was established in 2007 in memory of Sean by his family and friends and is open to current and past graduates of Terryville High School who were members of the basketball team during their time at Terryville High School.

JULIE LARESE BRISTOL TRAMPS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ava Bouchard

Bristol Central High School

The Bristol Tramps Sports Reunion is an organization that recognizes local athletes, coaches, teams, and supporters of athletics in Bristol. It all started in 1970 with Julie Larese whose love for Bristol and sports established this organization to recognize local sports figures. Julie was a philanthropist, humanitarian, and friend who gave his all to those around him and to the City of Bristol. Scholarships in Julie's name have been awarded to graduating high school seniors for years, and the fund was transferred to Main Street Community Foundation in 2022. Scholarship awards will continue to support graduating seniors from high schools located in Bristol who display all of the character traits of a good citizen, are involved in school activities of any kind, demonstrate solid academic performance, and are successful athletes.

RAY MACHINE CORP./RAY & DARLENE LASSY FAMILY FUND

Gary Kozikowski

Thomaston High School

Ray Lassy, a longtime resident of Plymouth, established this scholarship fund in 2017 to assist students who have the same passion he did. Working for over 50 years in a field he loved, Ray started a small tool and die business in the basement of his parents' house while working at a machining manufacturer. He eventually opened his own shop in Terryville before expanding the business to Ray Machine Corporation, also located in Terryville. This scholarship is available annually to a graduating high school senior from Terryville High School or Thomaston High School who will be pursuing post-secondary education in precision machining, mechanical engineering or manufacturing and design.

JOHN J. AND DORIS LAZORIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Olivia Chapdelaine

Bristol Eastern High School

Emily Nelson

Bristol Eastern High School

Payton Pelletier

Bristol Eastern High School

Transferred to the community foundation in 1997, this scholarship was established by family and friends to honor Doris Marie (Doucette) Lazorik following her sudden death in 1979. The fund was renamed in 2015 to also honor the memory of John Lazorik, Doris' husband. It is awarded annually to graduating seniors from Bristol Central, Bristol Eastern or St. Paul Catholic High School.

LEGER INITIATIVE FOR EDUCATION FUND

Sakinah Abdulsalam

University of New Haven

The Leger family established this fund to assist women returning to school at either a vocational school, 2-yr or 4 yr college after taking a period of time off from their post-secondary education.

DAVE LEPORE JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Colin Cavallari

Bristol Central High School

This fund was established in 2003 to honor the memory of Dave Lepore who died at the age of 41. Dave was a strong supporter of Bristol, published the Lepore Report and Bristol Today and wrote for the Bristol Press and the Citizen. The scholarship is awarded annually to a Bristol resident who will be pursuing studies in the field of journalism and demonstrates service to their local community.

THERÈSE MACCALLUM “GREAT KID” SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Joshua Frappier
Southington High School

This fund was created by the family and friends of Thérèse MacCallum to honor her wish to support well-rounded Southington High School students who would like to pursue post-secondary education.

Lauren Krar
Southington High School

NICHOLAS P. MAGLIO ACE FUND

Jedric Sutula
Bristol Eastern High School

Established in 2011 by the family of Nicholas P. Maglio, this fund honors his memory as a devoted father and Bristol Public School teacher. An annual scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior of Bristol Eastern High School pursuing education at a two or four year school and who demonstrates both financial need and evidence of good character.

MASKERY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Alexander Butler
Farmington High School

This fund was established in 2018 by Paul Maskery to honor his family and give back to the students of Farmington and Plainville. Paul, who grew up in Plainville, was a long time teacher, coach and Athletic Director at Farmington High School. This scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior of either Farmington High School or Plainville High school.

ELIZABETH I. AND LOUIS J. MATT MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Aiden Cincotta
Bristol Eastern High School

This fund was established in 2007 by the late Elizabeth Matt via a stock transfer; upon her passing, she substantially added to it with a planned gift by naming the Fund as a beneficiary of her IRA. As evidenced by Betty’s 48-year career as a nurse at Hartford Hospital, Betty had a true interest in and passion for the clinical medicine field. This scholarship will help provide a student the opportunity to follow their passion into the medical field.

Lilli Doran
Southington High School

Lexi Michaud
Sacred Heart University

ROBERT E. & ANGELINE P. MCCORMACK SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sophia LeBlanc
Southington High School

Established at the Foundation in 2002 by Angeline McCormack, this fund honors her late husband’s wishes by establishing a scholarship fund in their names to support students from Southington High School. The recipient must be an active member of the Kiwanis Key Club.

MCMASTER-MOULTHROP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship fund was established by the late Blanche McMaster and transferred to the foundation in 1999. It is awarded to the top academically accomplished students in the graduating class of Bristol Central High School.

Alexa Aldi
Ava Bouchard
Jillian Kovitch
Madeleine Lamontagne
Tyler LeVasseur
Luke Losacano

Jenna Lukasiewicz
Ryan Ring
Sophia Torreso
Ashley Totten
Katelynn Wasta

KEN E. MICLOSKEY AWARD

Nicholas Tietjen
Terryville High School

This fund was established in 2002 by Dorothy Ives in memory of her son Ken who graduated from Terryville High School and died in combat in Vietnam. Dorothy was a former teacher in the Bristol school system. This award is designated for a graduating senior who is also a member of the school's track and/or cross-country team to assist with the costs of post-secondary education.

DAVE MONGILLO MEMORIAL/GOLF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Joshua Frappier
Southington High School

Sophia Swain
University of Delaware

This fund was established in 2018 to honor the memory of Dave Mongillo, a lifelong Southington resident and member of the Southington Weed Wackers Golf League. Dave was often referred to as the King of Concrete, dedicating most of his life to his own foundation business. He was highly regarded in the industry as a master craftsman known for his work ethic, quality and attention to detail. The scholarship is available to a graduating high school senior from Southington High School who is a student-athlete; preference is given to current members of the school's golf team.

AL AND JOAN MONICO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Nathalia Kitmanyen
Bristol Eastern High School

Lexi Michaud
Sacred Heart University

Suzonna Shackford
Bristol Central High School

This fund was established in 2013 through a bequest from Al Monico. Al's desire was to establish a named scholarship in recognition of both him and his wife Joan. They were longtime Bristol residents. This scholarship is awarded to a Bristol resident in need of financial assistance.

NESMA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Julianne Rasten
Southington High School

Emily Seeds
University of Saint Joseph

The New England Spring and Metalstamping Association (NESMA) established this fund in 2010 to provide two scholarships annually. One scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who attended high school in New England and wishes to pursue post secondary education in engineering or manufacturing/mechanical skilled trade. The other scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior and child/grandchild of an employee or owner of a NESMA-member company. NESMA is actively involved in promoting technical education and career opportunities in our local communities.

AJR NOCERA MEMORIAL FUND

Hilton Chanthakhyly
Bristol Eastern High School

Lexi Michaud
Sacred Heart University

Established in 2007 by the Nocera family to honor the memory of Andrew James "AJ" and David "Junior" Nocera, brothers who both passed away unexpectedly in 2007. Their legacy will continue by supporting others to achieve their academic goals and effect change on the next generation. This scholarship is offered to students in the Foundation's service area and Farmington who are graduating high school or currently enrolled at a post-secondary institution.

ANTHONY NORTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kendall Garrity

Terryville High School

This fund was established in 2015 to honor the memory of Anthony Norton who passed away in June 2015 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Anthony's 15-year career as a teacher and coach led him to his most recent position as a seventh and eighth grade science teacher at the Eli Terry Jr. Middle School in Terryville where he started the first environmental science club for middle school students. This scholarship is available to graduating seniors of Terryville High School who are pursuing a major in education or science.

SCOTT W. ORGAN STUDENT-ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Suzonna Shackford

Bristol Central High School

Local orthopedic surgeon Scott Organ established this fund in 2000 to support student-athletes from single parent families who wish to pursue postsecondary education. This annual scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school senior from one of the high schools in Bristol.

RALPH PAPAZIAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Colin Cavallari

Bristol Central High School

This scholarship fund honors the memory of Ralph Papazian who passed away unexpectedly in 1995. Ralph was the former supervisor of athletics for the Bristol School System, a coach and physical education teacher. This fund awards an annual scholarship to a graduating senior from Bristol Central High School or Bristol Eastern High School, on a rotating basis.

ESTELLE DELANO PETERSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kendra Thammathino

Terryville High School

This scholarship fund was established by the children of Walter and Estelle Peterson at the request of their father. Estelle was the first police woman in Terryville and served as the town's public health nurse for many years. The Petersons moved to Terryville after meeting during World War II when Walter was recuperating from a head wound and Estelle was his nurse. This scholarship is designated for a graduating senior from Terryville High School interested in pursuing a career in nursing or other health-care related field.

DOROTHY DEWEY PICARD MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jaylen Thigpen

Plainville High School

Dorothy Dewey Picard was a well-known area music instructor for 64 years. In addition, she played in many area orchestras and was a founding member of the Bristol Symphony Orchestra. Upon her death in 1999, her daughter, Marcia White, established this scholarship to honor her mother's lifelong love of music. The scholarship is available to students pursuing post-secondary education in the classical music field.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Nicholas Tietjen

Terryville High School

This Fund was transferred to the foundation from Terryville High School in 2003 and is open to graduating seniors from Terryville High School. Eligible students must be going on to college, involved in school and community and who has done well academically.

ALICE C. PULSIFER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ashley Totten

Bristol Central High School

Established in 1985 through a bequest from the estate of retired Bristol teacher Alice Pulsifer, this fund was transferred to the Community Foundation in 1997. Alice was a highly regarded English teacher in the Bristol Public School system for 40 years. She retired in 1962 after serving as head of the English Departments of both Bristol Eastern and Bristol Central High Schools. This scholarship is to students from Bristol Central, Bristol Eastern and St. Paul Catholic High School.

MAX AND RUTH RABIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kaidyn Sigmund

Bristol Central High School

Established in late 2006 with a charitable rollover gift from Ruth Rabin and children Shaye and Paul in recognition of Max Rabin's contributions to the Bristol Business Community. The fund will provide tuition assistance for Bristol students majoring in business administration.

RADCLIFF FAMILY EDUCATION FUND

Kerly Delgado

University of Connecticut

Haley Kuehn

Central Connecticut State University

Bristol residents Betty and the Donald Radcliff wished to share their belief in the value of education by assisting high school graduates from the towns of Bristol and Plainville who are looking to further their education but are in need of financial assistance to do so. This scholarship, established in 2002, is renewable for up to four years.

Lexi Michaud

Sacred Heart University

Heddi Wells

Bristol Eastern High School

RADCLIFF PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FUND

Kyle Badorek

Southern Connecticut State University

Matthew Badorek

University of Connecticut

Patrick Kapusta

Plainville High School

Andrew Michalek

Dean College

This scholarship was created in 2006 by the late Donald Radcliff, a former Bristol resident and businessman who grew up in Plainville, via a charitable IRA rollover gift. He wished to provide continuing support to a male student from the senior class at Plainville High School who wished to pursue post-secondary education but may need financial help in order to do so. This is a renewable scholarship available for up to four years.

LOUIS J. RASCOE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kendall Garrity

Terryville High School

The family of Louis Rascoe established this fund on the occasion of his retirement from the field of education where he spent 27 years in the Plymouth Public School System. An annual scholarship is awarded to a student from Plymouth entering the field of education.

JULIE A. ROCHE NURSING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Lexi Michaud

Sacred Heart University

This fund was established in memory of Julie A. Roche, a beloved nurse who passed away in December 2013 after a long and courageous battle with leukemia. Julie spent her entire 26-year career at Bristol Hospital and her most recent and proud position there was as a critical care nurse in the intensive care unit (ICU). This scholarship fund was established by her family and will award a scholarship annually to a student currently enrolled in a two-year or four-year college with a major in nursing. Applicants must have a passion for the nursing field and must demonstrate leadership skills along with good character and citizenship.

DOUGLAS ROLAND AID FOR THE TRADES SCHOLARSHIP

Cody Greger

Bristol Eastern High School

This fund was established in 2009 with a gift from Ralph and Linda Roland in memory of their late son. This scholarship provides financial assistance to applicants entering a career training program that does not exceed two years and provides the step up needed to gain employment.

Michael Rinaldi

Terryville High School

CLEMENT J. ROY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Emily Nelson

Bristol Eastern High School

Transferred to the community foundation in 2012, this scholarship was established to honor the memory of Clement Roy, a former teacher and coach at Bristol Eastern High School. It is awarded to a graduating senior from Bristol Eastern High School who demonstrates high academic achievement and participation in athletics.

LAWRENCE (LARRY) SCELZA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Natalia Kusmirek

Farmington High School

This memorial scholarship fund was established by Heidi DellaBianca to honor her late husband's wish to encourage people working at least part-time to pursue post-secondary education.

DORA SCHUBERT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Alice Benson

Terryville High School

This fund was established in 1961 through a bequest from Dora Schubert, a longtime Plymouth resident; it was transferred to the Community Foundation in 2017. Dora's desire was to establish a named scholarship to defray the expenses of education for deserving students. It is available to a graduating high school senior from Terryville High School; there is a preference to children of members of the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Terryville.

GLO SESSIONS FUND FOR ART EDUCATION

Pushpita Hossain

Bristol Eastern High School

Glo Sessions was a well known, award winning Connecticut artist who wanted to leave a legacy to future artists in the greater Bristol community. Before her passing in late 2011, Glo left a bequest in her estate plan to provide an annual scholarship to a Bristol resident to assist with the tuition necessary to pursue a career in art.

JILL LYNNE SHACKETT EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ava LeBlanc

*Central Connecticut State
University*

Nicola Campisano

Bristol Eastern High School

Kiana Ouellette

Springfield College

This fund was established in 2013 by her father Tom in memory of Jill who was a beloved teacher at South Side School in Bristol. Jill passed away unexpectedly at the young age of 35. Since the fund's establishment many donors have supported this annual scholarship to a student with a passion for teaching and the desire to become an elementary or secondary education teacher. Preference will be given to students who attended school in Bristol particularly at South Side School or Bristol Eastern High School.

SOUTHINGTON OBSERVER/STEP SAVER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sammi Bray

Trinity College

This fund was established in 2005 by the management of the Southington StepSaver as a result of the merger with the Southington Observer. This scholarship is available to Southington students interested in pursuing their education at a 2 or 4 year college.

SWICKLAS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Emily Seeds

University of Saint Joseph

This scholarship Fund was established in 2022 by lifelong Plymouth resident John Swicklas to honor his family while continuing his love of teaching. John is a former Plymouth Public Schools teacher, having taught sixth grade at the former Harry S. Fisher Middle School and retiring in 2001. He also coached basketball and baseball. This scholarship will give Plymouth residents the opportunity to pursue a career in the field of education.

JAY W. & ELIZABETH M. TYRRELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Pushpita Hossain

Bristol Eastern High School

Zoe Krueger

Wheaton College

This fund was established through a bequest from Elizabeth Tyrrell in honor of her husband to provide a scholarship to assist students in pursuit of higher education in the field of art.

DR. JOAN T. WALLACE PRIZE FOR HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ENGLISH AT SOUTHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Sophia LeBlanc

Southington High School

This fund was established in 2014 by Dr. Joan T. Wallace, the first coordinator of English Language Arts in the Southington Public Schools, to recognize and promote excellence in all areas of the English language arts. The graduating senior or seniors with the highest GPA in English/Language Arts will be awarded this scholarship.

JOHN & PEGGY WALSH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This fund was transferred to the Community Foundation in 2011, this scholarship was established by the family of Peggy Ann Walsh to honor her memory as a former Bristol school teacher. In 2020 the scholarship fund was rededicated to also honor the memory of her husband John (Jack). The scholarship is available to graduating seniors of Bristol Central or Bristol Eastern High Schools.

Hilton Chanthakhyly

Bristol Eastern High School

Olivia Chapdelaine

Bristol Eastern High School

Angelina Fasci

Bristol Central High School

Chance Hagey

Bristol Eastern High School

Haley Kuehn

Bristol Eastern High School

Leigha Powell

Bristol Central High School

Jedric Sutula

Bristol Eastern High School

KRISTEN WARNER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Lilli Doran

Southington High School

This fund was established to honor the memory of Kristen Warner who died in an automobile accident at the young age of thirteen. At the time of her accident, the Superintendent of Schools said that Kristen was an athlete and a scholar and that “she represented everything that was right with our youngsters today” Kristen was a very special teen and this scholarship embodies the character of Kristen and is annually awarded to a Southington High School student.

JOHN WHITCOMB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jedric Sutula

Bristol Eastern High School

Established in 2001 by John Whitcomb’s wife Marian and his children, this fund honors his dedication to a lifetime in the teaching profession, as well as his deep concern for all of his students and his belief in the value and self worth of each individual. Open to graduating seniors and past graduates of Bristol Eastern High School with an interest in social studies and/or education and with consideration to an individual with potential who may be struggling to overcome difficulties.

REVEREND DR. EDDIE C. WHITEHEAD OF BRISTOL, CT - REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Pushpita Hossain

Bristol Eastern High School

Rachel Stumpf

Southington High School

This fund was established in 2021 by the Greater Bristol Branch of the NAACP as part of the chapter’s goal of achieving equality through educational opportunities. The scholarship is named in memory of two trailblazers: Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and Reverend Dr. Eddie C. Whitehead, a Bristol resident who was a community leader and one of the many community members and pastors who spearheaded the establishment of the Bristol NAACP back in 1985. An annual scholarship will be available to graduating high school seniors from Bristol, Burlington, Harwinton, Plainville, Plymouth and Southington who are pursuing higher education.

EVA BRODOWICZ WICKWIRE VOLUNTEER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Aiden Cincotta

Bristol Eastern High School

This scholarship was established in 2015 by the many friends of Eva Brodowicz Wickwire to honor her memory and all that she stood for. Before she passed away in April 2015 at the age of 53, Eva was the Chief Development Officer at Bristol Hospital where she was closely involved with the volunteers. An annual scholarship will be awarded to a student pursuing a career in health care who has shown a strong record of volunteer work in that field. A preference is given to those who have volunteered at Bristol Hospital.

PAT & BOB WOLLENBERG SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Nicole Hammer

Central Connecticut State University

Samuel Shepard

Central Connecticut State University

Pat and Bob Wollenberg established this fund in 2018. The Wollenbergs' interest in assisting students pursuing a career in special education is rooted in personal experience. An autistic family member and Pat's involvement in education have carved a special place in their hearts for adults and children who are challenged intellectually, emotionally, or physically. Scholarships are awarded to students who graduated from either Bristol Central High School, Bristol Eastern High School or St. Paul Catholic High School and are pursuing a career in special education.

THE CRAIG YARDE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Madison Sirois

St. Paul Catholic High School

This scholarship fund was established to honor the memory of Craig Yarde, the co-founder of Yarde Metals, Inc., which started in Bristol, Connecticut in 1976. He was a well-known community leader who championed hard work and philanthropic efforts throughout the Bristol community. Craig personified entrepreneurial spirit, continual learning and self-achievement, and this fund is created for those who embody these characteristics. A scholarship will be awarded annually to a resident of Bristol, Connecticut who is a graduating high school senior, currently enrolled student or adult learner seeking financial assistance to further post-secondary education or career training goals.

YARDE METALS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Established by the management and employees of Yarde Metals, this fund benefits the children of employees who wish to pursue some type of post-secondary education, with preference given to children who have lost a parent or have some specific financial need.

Aidan Dow

Emmanuel College

Rachel Ross

Central Connecticut State University

Eve Null

Northwest High School

Meredith Valley

Bristol Eastern High School

Jonathan Paige

Southern Connecticut State University

List of Colleges and Universities

Some of the colleges, universities and military academies Main Street Community Foundation scholarship recipients are attending:

American University	Southern Maine Community College
Boston College	Springfield College
Central Connecticut State University	St. Bonaventure University
Eastern Connecticut State University	Stonehill College
Fairfield University	Trinity College
Harvard University	Tunxis Community College
High Point University	University of Connecticut
Lincoln Technical Institute	University of Delaware
Long Island University	University of Hartford
Marist College	University of Maine
Naugatuck Valley Community College	University of Memphis
Olin College of Engineering	University of New Haven
Plymouth State University	University of Rhode Island
Roanoke College	University of Saint Joseph
Rochester Institute of Technology	Vermont State University Castleton
Sacred Heart University	Wheaton College
Savannah College of Art and Design	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Southern Connecticut State University	Yale University

Elementary and Secondary School Recipients from Individual Named Funds at Main Street Community Foundation

Main Street Community Foundation congratulates the following students and acknowledges the generosity of the individuals, families, businesses and organizations that have established funds to make these scholarships possible.

This list includes students who will be continuing to attend local elementary and secondary parochial schools or partaking in a camp experience.

4 BURNS SCHOLARSHIP - ST. JOSEPH/ST. PAUL FUND

Quinn Burns
Alejandro Ojeda

Four siblings from the Burns family of Bristol established this fund in 2000. These siblings - Gerry, Patricia, Charley and the late Larry Burns - created this scholarship to say thank you to the St. Joseph community for the great start in life that they received. This scholarship provides financial assistance to students who attended St. Joseph School and are continuing their high school education at St. Paul Catholic High School.

KEATING-MONAGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship fund was established in 2008 through a generous bequest from the Estate of Mark J. Keating. Mr. Keating was a proud alumnus of St. Joseph School who lived in Bristol most of his life and was devoted to his community and Church. This scholarship provides assistance to students attending or planning to attend St. Joseph School in Bristol who are actively involved in church, school or community activities.

Marley Accetura
Nico Accetura
Autumn Cabiya
Madison Cabiya
Ashley Caruso
Elle Connoy
Jazmine Cordero
Quinn Goulet
Sophia Gutierrez-Franco
Nicholas Haddon
Gabriel Lehy
Isabel Mejia
Isaac Morehouse
Silas Morehouse

Benjamin O'Connor
Bennett Paradis
Gabriela Rodriguez
Fatima Rodriguez
Mikayla Scanlon
Sadie Sherman
Olivia Tavenor
Addilyn Vail
Cole Wiegert
Greyson Wiegert
Emilia Wilson
Isabella Wood
Kaitlyn Wood

LENA M. AND PETER L. KOROTIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Daphne Poetek

This fund was established in 1997 by local residents Peter and Lena Korotie. Born and raised in Bristol, they spent their 50 plus years of marriage pursuing the values of home, family and hard work. This scholarship emanates from their growing desire to do something special to help children in Bristol. This scholarship provides financial assistance to Bristol students who attend St. Paul Catholic High School and have a special interest in math and/or science.

MALERBO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Harold Malerbo established this fund through a bequest from his estate in 2005 to assist Bristol students who are attending or wish to attend St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol.

Elliott Anderson

Lindsey Donahue

Patrick Badzioch

Ainsley Fabrizio

Alex Clough

Juel Savoy

Julia Clough

Ella Sieller

Luke Crowley

Renee Singleton

Zachary Cudjoe

Jordan Sirois

Zola Cudjoe

Brianna Wood

Joseph Dess Jr.

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Caylee Hughes

This fund was established in 2000 to assist families who have children wishing to attend, or remain at St. Matthew School in Bristol, CT and are in financial need.

LOUISE (HUMPHREY) VAN GORDER MUSIC CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Brianna Wood

St. Paul Catholic High School

Established in 2014, this scholarship fund honors Louise (Humphrey) Van Gorder. Louise and her husband Bob have enriched the lives of thousands of students and music lovers through the Bristol String Orchestra and their former business, Fiddlin' Around, which was located in Bristol. The scholarship is to attend a one-week camp experience at Laurel Music Camp.



About Main Street Community Foundation

Main Street Community Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. This is accomplished by encouraging and promoting gift planning, prudent stewardship of assets, effective grantmaking and community leadership. A nonprofit public charity, created by private citizens, the Foundation works with local donors who wish to build permanent charitable endowments to support the causes they care about in their communities.

Since its founding in 1995, the Foundation has provided over \$26 million in grants and scholarships.

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