



# 2018 Scholarship Program Funds and Recipients





*2017 Scholarship 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 75 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 have a belief that helping students ease the financial obligations of education is an investment in the future.

**Because of these donors' generosity the Foundation awarded over \$200,000 in scholarships to 137 students in 2018.** 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, military academies, community colleges and vocational/technical schools.

## Volunteer Scholarship Committee

All scholarships are awarded through a 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 1,000 applications in 2018:

Scott Fournier, Chair  
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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. 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.

# 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 a four-year colleges, military academies, community colleges or technical/vocational schools.

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## CHRISTIAN ARNDT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**Jessica Dupont**

*Terryville High School*

This fund was established 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

**Alexander Mika**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

**Liberta Rrahimi**

*Western New England  
University*

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.

## BECAUSE OF 26 KINDNESS AWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**Cora Altomari**

**Mackenzie Beaupre**

*Southington High School*

This fund was established by two Southington residents, Lisa Wrubleski & Erin Furniss. In response to the school shooting in Sandy Hook on December 14, 2012, these two mothers vowed to have their daughters grow up in a community inspired by beautiful acts of kindness which have emerged from this horrific event. An annual scholarship will be awarded to a Southington High School graduating senior who demonstrates good character, citizenship and kindness to others.

## STANLEY P. BITEL MEMORIAL FUND

**Nicholas Osuch**

*Bristol Central 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**

**Evan Bender**

*Southington High School*

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**

**Philip Andrews**

*Central Connecticut State University*

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**

**Emily Gdovin**

*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**

**Isabella Castrogiovanni**

*Mount St. Mary College*

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.

**Chloe Cyr**

*Bristol Central High School*

**Marlon Paltoo**

*Bristol Central High School*

### **BRISTOL LIONS CLUB F. FRED SOLIANI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Amy Bhagaloo**

*Bristol Eastern 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.

### **BRISTOL POLICE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**John Duncan**

*Bristol Central High School*

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.

**Feryal Al Hamadani**  
*University of Connecticut*

**Anna Korpanty**  
*Bristol Eastern High School*

**Selena Norton**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**Jasiel Feliberty**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**Magdalena Kossuth**  
*Plainville High School*

**Shy-Ann Whitten**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**Phirin Khen**  
*University of Connecticut*

**Maciej Kossuth**  
*Plainville High School*

**Gabriella Williams**  
*Albertus Magnus College*

## **BURLINGTON LIONS CHARITIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Hunter Cowger**  
**Lauren McCard**  
*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.

## **CONN ACOUSTICS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Nicholas Cranmer**  
*University of Connecticut*

Company President Peter LeBlanc, management and employees established this fund in 2006 to assist employees with post-secondary educational costs for their children. The student must be enrolled in some type of post secondary educational program, be hard working and demonstrate drive and motivation to succeed.

**Rebecca Dion**  
*Sacred Heart University*

## **PEG COUGHLIN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Isabella Castrogiovanni**  
*Mount St. Mary College*

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**

**Elizabeth Ouellette**  
*University of Hartford*

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**

**William Pfanzelt**  
*Southington High School*

This fund was established by the parents of Southington resident Richard Anthony DellaVecchia after his untimely death in a 1989 traffic accident. It was created to provide scholarships to high school seniors who are Southington residents and are interested in pursuing educational/training opportunities in the vocational/technical career fields.

### **KAREN FINDER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Brooke Schloesser**  
*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.

### **JEFFREY DOWNES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR THE TRADES**

**Theodore Marcone**  
*Lewis S. Mills 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).

### **CAROLYN FISHER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Adam Pelz**  
*Terryville High School*

Transferred from Terryville High School, 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**

**Alyssa McDonald**  
*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.

### **GE'S INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This fund was established by General Electric's Industrial Solutions business in Plainville. Scholarships will be awarded annually to eligible dependents of GE employees at the Plainville facility.

**Jarod Romankiw**  
*Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

**Hannah Schulz**  
*Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

**Alexandra Schulz**  
*Northeastern University*

**Renukanandan Tumu**  
*University of Connecticut*

### **ANDREW AND MURIELLE GIACOMINI SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Angelica Rivera**  
*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.

### **AZILDA HEBERT MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Cassidee Knapik**  
*Bristol Central 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**

**Kara Friedman**

*Bristol Eastern 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**

**Tina Guo**

*Bristol Eastern 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**

**Jacob Tellier**

*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.

### **VINCENT T. KOZYRSKI SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Fiona Pare**

*Bristol Eastern 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**

**McKenzie Huria**

*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.

### **RAY MACHINE CORP./RAY & DARLENE LASSY FAMILY FUND**

**Alyssa Prozzo**

*Terryville 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 who will be pursuing post-secondary education in precision machining, mechanical engineering or manufacturing and design.

### **JOHN J. AND DORIS LAZORIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Fadima Kamano**

**Anna Korpanty**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

**Selena Norton**

*Bristol Central 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**

**Rachel Lewis**  
*Goodwin College*

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**

**Alexander Mika**  
*Bristol Eastern 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**

**Dylan Chiaro**  
*Southington High School*

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

### **NICHOLAS P. MAGLIO ACE FUND**

**Anna Korpanty**  
*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.

### **ELIZABETH I. AND LOUIS J. MATT MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Abigail Leander**  
*Plainville High School*

**Julia McPherson**  
*Southington 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.

### **ROBERT E. & ANGELINE P. MCCORMACK SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Emily Tinyszin**  
*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.

**Desmond DeVille**  
**Jasiel Feliberty**  
**Michael Kaminski**  
**Pat Kjornrattanawanich**  
**Jacob Nelson**

**Selena Norton**  
**Nicholas Osuch**  
**Sydney Pina**  
**Zoe Sinclair**  
*Bristol Central High School*

### **KEN E. MICLOSKEY AWARD**

**Corey Picard**

*Terryville High School*

This fund was established in 2002 by Dorothy Ives, a former teacher in the Bristol school system. The Ken E. Micloskey award is in memory of her son who graduated from Terryville High School and died in combat in Vietnam. The award is to be given to a male or female senior from Terryville High School who is a member of the school's track and/or cross-country team, and wishes to pursue further education.

### **AL AND JOAN MONICO SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Scarlett Rodriguez**

*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**

**Ashley Nelson**

*University of Connecticut*

**Fiona Pare**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

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**

**Desmond DeVille**

*Bristol Central High School*

**Feryal Al Hamadani**

*University of Connecticut*

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**

**Jessica Dupont**

*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**

**Amy Bhagaloo**

*Bristol Eastern 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**

**Maggie Santacroce**  
*Bristol Eastern 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**

**Cara Jones**  
*Terryville High School*

Mrs. Peterson's children established this fund in 2004 in fulfillment of their late father's wish to honor Mrs. Peterson for her many years of community service as Terryville's public health nurse. This scholarship will be given to a senior from Terryville High School interested in pursuing a career in nursing or a health-care related field.

### **DOROTHY DEWEY PICARD MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Philip Andrews**  
*Central Connecticut State University*

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**

**Jessica Dupont**  
*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 have done well academically.

### **ALICE C. PULSIFER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Alexander Mika**  
*Bristol Eastern High School*

This scholarship was established in 1985 in memory of Alice C. Pulsifer, 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 open in rotation to a student from Bristol Central, Bristol Eastern and St. Paul Catholic High School.

### **MAX AND RUTH RABIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Selena Norton**  
*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**

**Alexa Cahill**  
*Roger Williams University*

**Tyrah Green**  
*Brown University*

**Selena Norton**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**David Poniatowski**  
*University of Connecticut*

Bristol residents Betty and the late 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.

## **RADCLIFF PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FUND**

**Jared Demmons**  
*Bryant University*

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.

**Gregory Sileo**  
*Siena College*

**Emanuel Yawin**  
*Plainville High School*

**Nicholas Zaleski**  
*Central Connecticut State University*

## **LOUIS J. RASCOE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Courtney Johnpiere**  
*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**

**Isabella Castrogiovanni**  
*Mount St. Mary College*

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.

## **CLEMENT J. ROY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Tina Guo**  
*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.

## **DORA SCHUBERT SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Alyssa Prozzo**  
*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.

## **LAWRENCE (LARRY) SELZA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Katrina Mason**  
*Champlain College*

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.

## **GLO SESSIONS FUND FOR ART EDUCATION**

**Raechel Klouda**

*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**

**Marissa Brevetti**

*University of Connecticut*

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.

**Emily Deloge**

*Eastern Connecticut State University*

## **SOUTHINGTON OBSERVER/STEP SAVER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Laura Furtak**

*University of Connecticut*

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.

## **JAY W. & ELIZABETH M. TYRRELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Alex Arango**

*Bristol Central High School*

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.

**Raechel Klouda**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

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

**Lydia Yu**

*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.

## **PEGGY ANN WALSH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Anna Korpanty**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

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. The scholarship is available to graduating seniors of Bristol Central or Bristol Eastern High Schools.

**Selena Norton**

*Bristol Central High School*

**Fiona Pare**

*Bristol Eastern High School*

### **KRISTEN WARNER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Morgan Santos**  
*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**

**Anna Korpanty**  
*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.

### **EVA BRODOWICZ WICKWIRE VOLUNTEER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Isabella Castrogiovanni**  
*Mount St. Mary College*

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**

**Elizabeth Sears**  
*University of Saint Joseph*

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.

### **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.

**Carly Brunelle**  
*University of Hartford*

**Michael Kaminski**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**Nicole Collin**  
*University of New Hampshire*

**Nicole Ledesma**  
*University of Connecticut*

**Chloe Cyr**  
*Bristol Central High School*

**Alexis Thompson**  
*The Ohio State University*

**Madison Cyr**  
*Bristol Central High School*

## List of Colleges and Universities

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

Albertus Magnus College	Roger Williams University
Boston College	Sacred Heart University
Brown University	Siena College
Bryant University	Southern Connecticut State University
Central Connecticut State University	Syracuse University
Champlain College	The Ohio State University
Eastern Connecticut State University	Tulane University
Elms College	Tunxis Community College
Emory University	United States Air Force Academy
Endicott College	University of Connecticut
Fairfield University	University of Hartford
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of New England
Goodwin College	University of New Hampshire
Johns Hopkins University	University of New Haven
Keene State College	University of Northwestern Ohio
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Saint Joseph
Middlesex Community College	University of Virginia
Mount Saint Mary College	Western New England University
Nichols College	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Northeastern University	Yale University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	



# 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.

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

**Luke Hines**

**Gianna Houle**

*St. Paul Catholic High School*

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.

**Giovanni Barresi**

**Milan Barresi**

**Zachary Bartley**

**Jacob Bartley**

**Cole Beland**

**Nathan Carlson**

**Elizabeth Connelly**

**Joseph Dess Jr**

**Amy Dognin**

**John Fontanez-Ceballos**

**Michael Haddon**

**Nicholas Haddon**

**Julian Kostzewski**

**Jonah Lopez**

**Nina Mattioli**

**Chase Mendela**

**Nicholas Middlebrook**

**Joseph Morelli**

**Alejandro Ojeda**

**Cydney Pelletier**

**Maia Pena**

**Gisselle Pena**

**Michael Rigsby**

**Rachel Ruffino**

**Sadie Sherman**

**Hannah St. John**

**Noah Stevens**

## LENA M. AND PETER L. KOROTIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**Jonathan Passander**

*St. Paul Catholic High School*

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.

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| <b>Gabrielle Bernier</b>   | <b>Evan Mendela</b>       |
| <b>Madison Bernier</b>     | <b>Christian Peterson</b> |
| <b>Amarion Brooks</b>      | <b>Bella Peterson</b>     |
| <b>Isabella Crowley</b>    | <b>Barbara Retartha</b>   |
| <b>Cameron Fabrizio</b>    | <b>Walker Sharp</b>       |
| <b>Jenna Fulvi</b>         | <b>Julie Swicklas</b>     |
| <b>Megan Gaudreau</b>      | <b>Jeremiah Tatum</b>     |
| <b>Adrian George</b>       | <b>Noah Waters</b>        |
| <b>Priscilla Godlewski</b> | <b>Stefan Zwolinski</b>   |
| <b>Lexi Gosselin</b>       | <b>Nina Zwolinski</b>     |
| <b>Taylor Lorenzetti</b>   |                           |

**ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**Anthony Gerardi**  
*St. Matthew School*

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**

**Luke Ashworth**  
*Bristol Eastern 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 in Winsted, CT.

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## **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 \$15.5 million in grants and scholarships.

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