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## 2024 Student Aid At-A-Glance *Report to the Board*

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The Albuquerque Community Foundation made awards from 24 endowment funds in 2024 – assisting students through scholarships or financial aid awards for the 2024-2025 school year. Each program has separate selection criteria and application review procedures. Some awards are one-time awards while some are renewable. Below are brief descriptions of the programs and a list of this year’s selection committee volunteers as well as a list of recipients. Awards range from \$250-\$10,000. All awards are paid annually between July and November.

The Foundation convened 14 individual meetings both in-person and virtually to review applications, ensure applications submitted met program guidelines and criteria, and to make recommendations for award recipients. In some cases, to maximize volunteer time and expertise, some meetings included more than one scholarship program. This year selection committees reviewed a total of 540 applications and of those made 80 new awards.

In keeping with IRS regulations, donors and donor representatives do not constitute a majority of any review committee. Renewal awards are reviewed by staff only to ensure compliance with program renewal requirements. All awards are paid directly to institutions and all recipients must be New Mexico residents.

- 1. American Advertising Internship Scholarship Est. 2012**  
Aiding deserving men and women who intend to enter the advertising or communications field.
- 2. Andrew Piech Memorial Scholarship Est. 2010**  
Aiding students in the field of Automotive Technology and related Applied Technologies. Students must pursue a degree or certificate from a nonprofit, public, automotive, or technical vocational institution including community colleges.
- 3. Barnes W. Rose Jr., and Eva Rose Nichol Scholarship Est. 2003**  
Aiding an Albuquerque High School graduate pursuing a bachelor's degree in one of the STEM majors: Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics.
- 4. Bryan Cline Memorial Soccer Scholarship Est. 1987**  
Aiding Eldorado High School varsity soccer team graduating seniors. (One male and one female.)
- 5. Carl F. Scott Scholarship for TUCUMCARI LODGE No. 27 Est. 2005**  
Aiding New Mexico residents from Quay County to continue their post-secondary education. Applications are considered for graduating high school seniors beginning their college education and returning college students.
- 6. David R. Woodling Memorial Scholarship Est. 2008**  
Aiding students attending an accredited nonprofit or public educational institution in pursuit of a certificate or degree in a metal's technology program with a concentration in machine tool technology and welding.

7. **Davis-Kozoll Scholarship Est. 2019**  
Providing scholarships to students seeking a higher education for the purpose of entering science or human service careers such as child life specialist, licensed clinical social worker, psychologist, counselor, marriage and family therapist, case management worker, or community outreach worker OR preparing for non-scientific or non-human service employment in communities of northwest New Mexico with a priority for those students residing within the communities of Counselor, Cuba, Gallina, La Jara, Lindrith, Lybrook, Nageezi, Ojo Encino, Regina, San Luis, and Torreon.
8. **Douglas Faust Blackledge Memorial Scholarship Est. 2022**  
Providing assistance to Manzano High School boys varsity soccer players and members of the varsity wrestling team. For Manzano High School students only.
9. **James Ledwith Memorial Scholarship Est. 2011**  
Aiding students who have faced an extraordinary life challenge and have continued to pursue a life dream with hope, faith, and courage despite the adversity. The scholarship is for post-secondary education in pursuit of their life dream and professional goal.
10. **Jonathan Sherman Spradling Memorial Scholarship Est. 2023**  
Providing assistance to graduating high school seniors who can demonstrate their experience with volunteerism and community service. Preference is given to those who reside in Valencia County, NM
11. **Kiwanis Club of Albuquerque Scholarship Est. 1996**  
Aiding graduating students with strong community service experience and strong academic records from an Albuquerque metro area high school, (includes Bernalillo, Sandoval, Valencia, and Tarrant Counties) who are planning a career in child development and/or teaching.
12. **Manuel Lujan Excellence in Education Scholarship Est. 1991**  
Providing assistance for graduating seniors from 24 designated central New Mexico high schools attending a New Mexico four-year college/university. Each designated high school selects one student for a \$500 per year award, renewable for a total of four years of undergraduate studies.
13. **Nina J. Wing Scholarship Est. 2018**  
Aiding students previously in foster care who are currently attending or will be attending Central New Mexico Community College.
14. **New Mexico Manufactured Housing Scholarship Est. 1996**  
Aiding New Mexico graduating high school seniors residing in a manufactured home.
15. **New Mexico Press Woman Scholarship Fund Est. 2023**  
Established the Anne and Tony Hillerman Scholarship and The Rosenstiel Scholarship to assist New Mexico Students who are studying in the fields of journalism, communications, or law.
16. **Pedro and Mateo SandovalStrong Memorial Scholarship Est. 2020**  
Providing scholarships to Moriarty High School graduating Senior students, who plan on attending a two-year and/or four-year college/university or certified trade school. Students must be pursuing his or her first undergraduate, associate or applied skilled trades degree.
17. **Rae Lee Siporin Scholarship for Women Est. 2012**  
Aiding women who are continuing or returning to college/university for their first undergraduate degree and need financial assistance for their senior year of school. Preference will be given to women who have dropped out and are returning to finish their degree.
18. **Robby Baker Memorial Scholarship Est. 2003**  
Aiding a La Cueva High School graduating senior who has a language learning disability or other reading disability.
19. **Susie Kubié Symphonic Music Scholarship Est. 2017**  
Providing scholarships to deserving young students who have participated in the Albuquerque Youth Symphony Program and intend to pursue a degree in music during college. *Must be nominated by AYS.*
20. **Sussman-Miller Educational Assistance Award Program Est. 1994**  
Providing assistance to students to further their education in an undergraduate program who need financial assistance to address the 'gap' in financial aid packages.
21. **William F. Mann Scholarship Est 2018**  
Aiding students to secure a college education and create a better way of life, ultimately mentoring other young men and women to succeed. It is important the applicant has a strong background in community

service during his or her high school career and reflects that of a "stand-up citizen. Preference will be given to Albuquerque High School students.

**22. Women in Rhetoric and Logic Scholarship Est. 2014**

Supports female students from Albuquerque Academy to continue their education at a nonprofit or public educational institution. One female graduating senior will be selected to receive a one-time, non-renewable award up to \$5,000.

**23. Woodcock Family Education Scholarship Est. 1993**

Aiding Albuquerque metro area high school graduating seniors of exceptional promise in the fields of science and math.

**24. Youth in Foster Care Scholarship Est. 2008**

Aiding young adults who have been in the New Mexico foster care system who want to develop a marketable skill or continue their education at a post-secondary school.

## 2024 Volunteer Student Aid Committee Members

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## 2024 New Award Recipients

### Andrew Piech Memorial Scholarship

Monique Rivera	San Juan College	\$2,793
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### Bryan Cline Memorial Soccer Scholarship

Bodie Larson	University of New Mexico	\$1,000
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Sofia Gurule	University of New Mexico	\$1,000
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### Carl F. Scott Scholarship

Amish Bhatka	Texas Tech University	\$1,500
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Camryn Cantrell	Texas Tech University	\$1,700
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Elizabeth Horner	Eastern New Mexico University	\$1,700
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Hailee Robertson	Amarillo College	\$1,700
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Isabella Coronado	Clovis Community College	\$1,700
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Kaedon Stoner	Wayland Baptist University	\$1,700
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Karlee Cantrell	Texas Tech University	\$1,700
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Kayleigh Roberts	Vanderbilt University	\$1,500
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Laramie Shields	Eastern New Mexico University	\$1,700
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Mackenzi Lightfoot	New Mexico State University	\$1,700
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Natalie Hayes	New Mexico State University	\$3,000
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Reece Goldston	Texas Tech University	\$4,150
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Robert Park Strong	University of the Southwest	\$1,000
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Saisravya Bandla	UC Berkeley	\$1,700
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Saisruthi Bandla	Georgia Institute of Technology	\$1,700
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Tianna Peterson	New Mexico State University	\$3,000
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Tyler Poling	Eastern New Mexico University	\$1,700
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### David R. Woodling Memorial Scholarship

Aidan Mills	Santa Fe Community College	\$5,481
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### Davis-Kozoll Scholarship

Alexis Lucero	New Mexico State University	\$2,000
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Ciara Williams	San Juan College	\$2,000
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Liliana Maestas	New Mexico State University	\$1,000
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Mariah Herrera	Central NM Community College	\$2,000
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Matthew Rieck	University of New Mexico	\$1,000
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### James Knott Memorial Scholarship

Alexis Prairie	University of New Mexico	\$3,400
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Colby Priest	Western New Mexico University	\$3,400
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### James Ledwith Memorial Scholarship

Alyssa Zielinski	University of Florida	\$2,000
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Claire Lindstrom	Cottey College	\$2,000
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### Jonathan Sherman Spradling Memorial Scholarship

Ariana Chavez	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
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Gianna Nilvo	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
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Isaiah Olguin	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
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### **Kiwanis Club of Albuquerque Scholarship**

Abigail Goevelinger	University of New Mexico	\$1,000
Megan Spurgeon	University of New Mexico	\$1,500
Sinai Ulvillado	University of New Mexico	\$1,000

### **Manuel Lujan Excellence in Education Scholarship**

Aurelio Vigil	New Mexico State University	\$2,000
Ayanna Hedgepeth	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
Benjamin Watson	New Mexico Tech	\$2,000
Caytlyn Ross	New Mexico State University	\$2,000
Elizabeth Nguyen	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
Evan Huron	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
Hailey Whitley	New Mexico Tech	\$2,000
Joshua Reyna	University of New Mexico	\$2,000
Liam Hays	New Mexico Tech	\$2,000
Obed Lopez	New Mexico State University	\$2,000
Selena Devargas	University of the Southwest	\$2,000
Zoe Allen	New Mexico State University	\$2,000

### **Pedro and Mateo Sandoval Strong Scholarship**

Alecia Gauna	University of Kentucky	\$2,500
Bruno Vaquera	New Mexico Tech	\$2,500

### **Susie Kubie Symphonic Music Scholarship**

Marina Weideman	University of New Mexico	\$4,000
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### **Sussman-Miller Education Assistance Fund**

Brianna Boehm	University of New Mexico	\$2,500
Chanel nez	University of New Mexico	\$2,500
Corina Portillo	New Mexico State University	\$4,000
Jane Wei	University of Michigan	\$2,500
Jihye Kang	Colorado College	\$3,000
Marian Ippel	University of New Mexico	\$2,500
Miles Teng-Levy	Union College	\$5,000
Rami Jagers	Lewis & Clark College	\$5,000
	Hamline	
Riley Yates	University	\$4,000
Yousef Amer	Colorado College	\$5,000

### **Women in Rhetoric and Logic Scholarship**

	American	
Ashna Singh	University	\$5,000

### **Woodcock Family Scholarship**

Aimee Linebarger	Purdue University	\$10,000
Ariana Thiel-Hadjila	Brown University	\$10,000
Sofia Gurule	University of New Mexico	\$10,000

### **Youth in Foster Care Scholarship**

Abbygayle O.		\$250
Ajah Yellowhair		\$700
Ambrosia Garcia	Northern New Mexico College	\$250

Betty Lou Plotner		\$250
Dazin DuGan		\$700
Dre Smith	Central NM Community College	\$800
Evangelina L.		\$250
Jenn Garcia		\$400
Jiovanna Shipp	University of New Mexico	\$800
Joaquin Walsh	University of New Mexico	\$800
Joshua Harris		\$400
Madison Malouff		\$700
Natalia Valdez		\$700
Romelia Mendoza		\$700
Savannah M.		\$500