

Community  
Foundation  
San Luis Obispo  
Scholarships



Scholarship Name	Description	Amount
Alan D. Stephenson Scholarship	The Alan D. Stephenson Scholarship was established to support promising LGBTQIA+ students to achieve their academic potential.	Up to \$10,000
<u>Alfred I., Catharine J., and Eleanor G. Switzer Scholarship</u>	The Alfred I., Catharine J., and Eleanor G. Switzer Scholarship was established to benefit youth who reside in Los Osos, CA.	Up to \$10,000
Arthur Joseph Ludwick Scholarship	The Arthur Joseph Ludwick Scholarship Fund is an annual scholarship that supports students pursuing career technical education or construction trades career training, in San Luis Obispo County. It is meant to reduce the burden of the costs associated with training	Up to \$5,000
<u>Bernhard H. Singsen Scholarship</u>	The Bernhard H. Singsen Scholarship was established to support young men graduating from San Luis Obispo high schools attend a liberal arts college full-time to pursue a career in education, civil or social service, or medicine	Up to \$4,450
<u>Brian Waterbury Memorial Scholarship</u>	The Brian Waterbury Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Brian Waterbury. He was a teacher and coach at San Luis Obispo High School for 30 years. The purpose of the fund is to provide graduating San Luis Obispo High School students who are members of cross country and track and field teams, who are good at math, and planning to attend a 4-year college with a multi-year scholarship.	Up to \$10,000
Burt W. and Virginia Polin ELKS Bureau Scholarship	The Burt W. Polin and Virginia Polin "Elks" Scholarship was established at The Community Foundation to honor the legacy of the Polins. This scholarship is based on what the Elks Club stands for: Charity, Justice, Patriotism, Good Fellowship, Service to people and the	Up to \$2,500
Burt W. and Virginia Polin FARM Bureau Scholarship	The Burt W. and Virginia Polin "Farm Bureau" Scholarship was established to encourage students to pursue a career in agriculture.	Up to \$1,500
<u>David B. Gianas Memorial Scholarship</u>	The David B. Gianas Memorial Scholarship provides educational scholarships for students with documented special needs. It benefits students who, because of their unique differences, find achieving their educational goals difficult because of the lack of encouragement and/or financial	Up to \$1,500

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<u>Dennis T. Collins/Thomas D. Salisbury Troop 60 Eagle Scout Memorial Scholarship</u>	The Dennis T.Collins /Thomas D. Salisbury Troop 60 Eagle Scout Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to provide an educational scholarship fund for the benefit of Eagle Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 60 of Paso Robles, CA, in memory of former Scoutmasters Dennis Collins and Thomas Salisbury.	Up to \$3,000
<u>Dorothy Good Trust for AVID Scholarship</u>	To provide a scholarship support to graduating AVID seniors from Arroyo Grande and Nipomo High School.	Up to \$1,000
<u>Dorothy Ross Memorial Scholarship</u>	The Dorothy Ross Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the volunteer work and service that Dorothy Ross contributed to the young people San Luis Obispo county as a mentor in the Juvenile Hall.	Up to \$2,500
Dorsi Blastervold Family Scholarship	The Dorsi Blastervold Family Scholarship was established to support graduating high school seniors in the Lucia Mar Unified School District (Lopez, Arroyo Grande, Nipomo, or Central Coast New Tech High School) OR a graduate student, with a minimum GPA of 2.9.	Up to \$20,000
Garris Family Scholarship	The Garris Family Scholarship was established to support deserving students from public high schools or home-schooled programs in San Luis Obispo County in achieving post-secondary education.	Up to \$8,000
<u>Gary Grossman Scholarship</u>	The Gary Grossman Scholarship was established to provide scholarship support for promising LGBTQIA+ students to achieve their full academic and leadership potential.	Up to \$5,000
<u>Gary Paul Piantanida Scholarship</u>	The Gary Paul Piantanida Scholarship was created by Paul and Edna Piantanida in memory of their son, Gary, who passed away from leukemia at age 15. Gary attended San Luis Obispo High School and loved basketball. Paul, the son of Italian immigrants, worked hard from a young age, served in World War II, ran successful businesses, and mentored Cal Poly students. Edna worked for Pacific Telephone for 38 years, and the couple was married for 61 years. The scholarship honors students who demonstrate the qualities the Piantanidas valued: strong work ethic, dependability, good character, and integrity.	Up to \$12,000

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Gronstrand Ernst Scholarship	Graduating high school senior OR an adult re-entry student, minimum GPA of 3.5, attending a 4-year university, community college, vocational program, or trades program, has financial need, English must be their second language, must be a resident of San Luis Obispo County.	Up to \$2,000
Helen and Ronald Dunin Legacy Scholarship	To provide a scholarship support to graduating AVID seniors from Arroyo Grande and Nipomo High School.	Up to \$12,000
<u>Ian Purdon Memorial Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to SLO High School Football Team members who are entering a post-secondary education.	Up to \$1,000
<u>Jennifer Thoma Memorial Ballet Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to dancers to attend summer intensive training programs.	Up to \$3,000
John and Barbara Wolcott Memorial Scholarship	The John and Barbara Wolcott Memorial Scholarship was established to support students from public high schools in San Luis Obispo County in achieving post-secondary education at a four-year college/university. The purpose of the fund is to support deserving students who show academic potential for success and demonstrate motivation, desire, and a work ethic for advancement and opportunity.	Up to \$4,000

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<u>John and Yvonne Hsu Edmisten Scholarship in Memory of Allan Voight M.D.</u>	The Dorsi Blastervold Family Scholarship was established to support graduating high school seniors in the Lucia Mar Unified School District (Lopez, Arroyo Grande, Nipomo, or Central Coast New Tech High School) OR a graduate student, with a minimum GPA of 2.9.	Up to \$2,500
<u>John S. Renner Memorial Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to award scholarships to LGBTQ+ individuals perusing an arts in post-secondary education.	Up to \$2,000
John W. and Yvonne Y. Hsu Edmisten Scholarship	John W. and Yvonne Y. Hsu Edmisten were patrons of the arts and wished to students who demonstrate academic achievement along with financial need.	Up to \$5,000
John W. Purvis Memorial Scholarship	The John W. Purvis Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of John Purvis who was the CEO at Edge Autonomy that built innovative Autonomous Systems for 65 countries. The purpose of the fund is to support students pursuing Aeronautical Engineering or other Engineering pathways.	Up to \$1,000
Julian Crocker Community Scholarship	This scholarship is in memory of Dr. Julian Crocker, former Superintendent of San Luis Obispo County Schools and longtime educator. Scholarship awards support student pursuing community	Up to \$5,000
<u>Justin McCutcheon Memorial Scholarship</u>	The Justin McCutcheon Memorial Scholarship fund was established to honor the memory of Justin McCutcheon and to recognize a high school student who is a senior member of a Central Coast Athletic Association (boys' or girls') Golf Team.	Up to \$1,000
Kelly A. McAdams Scholarship	The Kelly A. McAdams Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Kelly A. McAdams, a graduate of our local schools and a lifelong student with a inquisitive mind.	Up to \$10,000

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Kiwanis Club San Luis Obispo Scholarship	The Kiwanis Club San Luis Obispo Scholarship Fund was established to provide scholarship support to deserving students.	Up to \$2,500
<u>Lee Jeberjahn Memorial Golf Scholarship</u>	This scholarship will support graduating seniors from San Luis Obispo High School only who are active members of the Girls' or Boys' Golf Teams.	Up to \$2,000
Lois and Duke Williams Memorial Scholarship	Supports students who have overcome obstacles in their lives to attend a post-secondary institution of their choice.	Up to \$2,500
Manford and Maude Brown Medical Education Scholarship	The purpose of the fund is to support San Luis Obispo residence obtain a medical or healthcare degree.	Up to \$2,000
Marion C. and Mark W. Wilson Nursing Scholarship	The purpose of the fund is to award Nipomo High School graduating Seniors or alumni in a Nursing Program.	Up to \$15,000
<u>Maureen "Mo" Clancy Memorial Scholarship</u>	The scholarship will provide support to girls who participated during high school in cross country and/or track and field and who will pursue a post-secondary education.	Up to \$3,000
<u>Richard J. Weyhrich Leadership Scholarship</u>	This scholarship was created in memory of the leadership and generosity of Richard John Weyhrich. A graduate of West Point, Richard received a commission in the U.S. Army, embarking on a lifetime leadership path. The purpose of the fund is to award educational scholarships to young people demonstrating leadership potential.	Up to \$4,000

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<u>Richard K. Sauret Viticulture and Enology Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to award to students desiring to study viticulture or enology at a 4-year college.	Up to \$12,000
Richard M. Fisher Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship was established in memory of Richard Fisher who began his career in 1977, working different positions including, Laborer, Heavy Equipment Operator, Street Maintenance Leader, and retiring after 42 years as a Public Works Inspector. This fund supports students pursuing construction trades and vocational career paths.	Up to \$2,500
Riggs Family Scholarship	The purpose of the fund is to support graduating high school seniors from any San Luis Obispo County High School with a mid GPA (2.8-3.8) attending a four-year college.	Up to \$6,000
Ruth Perry Memorial Scholarship	The Ruth Perry Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to support graduating senior girls from Morro Bay and Coast Union High Schools.	Up to \$2,500
San Luis Obispo County Bar Association (SLOCBA) Scholarship	This scholarship was established to broaden the number of traditionally underrepresented groups employed in the legal profession with the goal of providing greater access to, and inclusion in, the legal system.	Up to \$2,000
Sandra Ferris Scholarship	This scholarship was established to support graduating senior from a Nipomo High School or recent graduate in the last 3 years.	Up to \$10,000
Sera Day Coryell Nursing Scholarship	This scholarship provides support for aspiring nurses in memory of Sera Day Coryell who had the ability to make people feel at ease. She would have been an outstanding nurse. Her family and friends created the scholarship for individuals who likewise wish to become nurses.	Up to \$3,000

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<u>Stephen Donnellan Moss Scholarship in Journalism</u>	This scholarship was established to provide assistance to deserving journalism students at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.	Up to \$1,500
Towru Kobara Scholarship	This scholarship is in memory of Towru Kobara, a graduate of Caltech with a double major of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. He was a machinery designer, building military equipment, electrical and auto parts at National Machinery for 38 years.	Up to \$20,000
Travel Paso Scholarship	This scholarship supports students in the Paso Robles region and/or children of local tourism/hospitality workers.	Up to \$2,500
Vineyard and Farm Worker's Scholarship	The Vineyard and Farm Worker's Scholarship was established by Brian and Johnine Talley and supports higher education for the children of vineyard and farm workers.	Up to \$10,000
<u>Yeager Science Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to support students majoring in physical science or a related technical field at a college or university.	Up to \$23,000
<u>Yinghsia Shih Li Memorial Scholarship</u>	The purpose of the fund is to young women graduating from Lucia Mar Unified School District pursue a career in science.	Up to \$10,000



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Zach Elliot Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship honors and celebrate the legacy of Zachary Elliott, a 2012 Nipomo High School graduate. The award recognizes Nipomo High School seniors who share Zach's passion for helping others. The Elliott family hopes that this gift in Zach's honor will help transform a student's life and they will be inspired to make a difference as Zach did.	Up to \$10,000
Zorn Blythe Aviation Scholarship	This scholarship is in memory of Zorn Blythe who dedicated much of his working life to airplane engines. Aviation was in his blood. The purpose of this scholarship is to support students pursuing Aviation pathways as a way for them to explore the field as "the sky is the limit".	Up to \$5,000
Urbani Family Scholarship	The Urbani Family Scholarship was established to assist adult learners who are re-entering the education system in San Luis Obispo County. The scholarship aims to help deserving students pursue post-secondary education at a community college or vocational program	Up to \$5,000