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In College, Career and Life.*

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Phoenix Union Seniors helped by Foundation for Education Scholarships

The Phoenix Union Foundation for Education awarded scholarships this year totaling \$67,400 to 64 District seniors to further their education at accredited colleges and universities next year.

The Foundation for Education, a 501 (c) (3) that supports pathways to success in college, career and life, and provides support for District-wide, college-going student programs and college scholarships, began in 1985 as the Phoenix Union Partnership of Business and Education. In recent years, it has concentrated on generating need-based scholarships for PUHSD students.

Scholarships ranged from \$100 annually to \$8,000 over a four-year academic career, distributed from a pool of scholarship resources, from individual and organization donors to employee contributions and fundraising events.

Proceeds from the 2011 Phoenix Union Gala and the Foundation Scholarship Open Golf Tournament generated \$32,000 in \$8,000 scholarships to five students- **Juana Flores-Maryvale; Mayra Sanchez-Metro Tech; Gabriel Tena-Carl Hayden; and Edith Kumara-Alhambra.** Proceeds from this year's Gala in February and Golf Tournament in April will be used for next year's scholarships. These two Foundation fundraisers have also established an endowment fund that has topped \$100,000.

"Giving Back Pays Forward" Scholarships to 25 students totaling \$21,700 were supported by community, business and PUHSD staff, family and friends to recognize loved ones, support students and give back to their community. The College Depot Debbie Dillon Scholarship provided 13 students with \$500 donations, 12 more than 2011. College Depot is a City of Phoenix program created by Dillon, a former employee.

Nine students benefited from the generosity of Phoenix Union employees whose contributions were used for \$9,000 to the "Invest in the Best" Scholarships of \$1000 each.

The Phoenix Union Foundation for Education, formerly known as the Partnership for Business and Education, has provided over \$800,000 in scholarships in the past 25 years. For more information, visit www.Foundation4Education.org. Scholarship applications are distributed by counselors and due in April. A panel of judges from the foundation determines the scholars, and announces the winners in May.

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Phoenix Union Foundation Scholars \$32,000 in Total Awards

Juana Flores-Maryvale	\$8000
Mayra Sanchez-Metro Tech	\$8000
Gabriel Tena-Carl Hayden	\$8000
Edith Kamara-Alhambra	\$8000

Phoenix Union Foundation Invest in the Best Scholars \$9,000 in Total Awards

Aldin Malkoc-Bioscience	\$1,000
Marisol Santos Gonzalez-Central	\$1,000
Erica Herrera-Camelback	\$1,000
Maria Chavez-Franklin	\$1,000
Emmanuel Casildo-Betty Fairfax	\$1,000
Adriana Santana-North	\$1,000
Lorena Pina-South Mountain	\$1,000
Sarah Lazzell-Trevor Browne	\$1,000
Yoko Chavez-Central	\$1,000

Phoenix Union Foundation GIVING BACK PAYS FORWARD Scholars \$21,700 in Total Awards

Patrick Clark Gallaher Scholarship	Eritier Okongo-Alhambra	\$1,200
John Lindsay Scholarship	Angel Bautista Diaz-North	\$1,000
Kathy Back Memorial Scholarships	Martin Escalante-Metro Tech	\$2,000
	Sonia Suguey Roman- Metro Tech	\$2,000
Camino de Futuro Scholarships	Roman Anthony Sosa-Carl Hayden	\$1,000
	Salvador Rodriguez- Carl Hayden	\$1,000
	Miguel Santoyo-Carl Hayden	\$1,000
Gabriel Villa Memorial Scholarship	Veronica Alvarado- Metro Tech	\$1,000
Hernandez Companies Scholarship	Michael Moore-Bostrom	\$1,000
Hillyard, Inc. Scholarship	Toni Bradley-Cesar Chavez	\$1,000
College Depot Debbie Dillon Scholarships	Martin Escalante-Metro Tech	\$ 500
	Luz Lopez-Central	\$ 500
	Edgar Estrello-Bostrom	\$ 500
	Roman Anthony Sosa-Carl Hayden	\$ 500
	De Monta Reed-South Mountain	\$ 500
	Joaquin Cruz Mendiola-Fairfax	\$ 500
	Jose Ordonez-Suns Diamondbacks	\$ 500
	Yolscie Zubiata-Alhambra	\$ 500
	Selene Lares-Maryvale	\$ 500
	Christian Anchondo-Trevor Browne	\$ 500
	Roberto Canasco-North	\$ 500
	Arturo David Aguayo-Cesar Chavez	\$ 500
	Andrea Sanchez-Camelback	\$ 500
Network Infrastructure Scholarship	Alba Esuivel Cardona	\$ 500
Thunderbird Mountain Scholarship	Y Nguyen-Alhambra	\$ 500

Phoenix Black Alliance “Young Black Scholars” (\$2,000)

Historically Black Colleges & Universities	Shanteia Beavers-North	\$ 750
Mari Powell Scholarship	Alexis Cox -Metro Tech	\$ 600

Jim Singleton U of A Scholarship	Amini Ali - North	\$ 400
Khadijah Shamsid-Deen Scholarship	Tijaha Waters - South Mountain	\$ 250

Betty Fairfax Scholarships (\$100 each, \$2600 total)

Department Outstanding Student Awards: Natalie Navarrete, Shalleia Jacobs, Sara Neese, Daniel Ortiz Roque, Roberto Alvarez Rodrigues, Berenice Olivas, Devi Tamang, Gracie Esquivel, Jacqueline Grayson, James Ballard, Shaunice Williams, Mayra Diaz, Samantha Bianco, Derrick Haymore, Brittany Jones, James Farmer, Savannah Wolfe and Alexandra Mallahi.

Student Athlete of the Year Scholarships: Maryam Abdul-Wahid, James Ballard, Victoria Hernandez.

Senior College and Career Presentation Scholarships: Health Services – Emmanuel Casildo; Natural Resources – Sean Raganit; Business Management – James Farmer; Arts and Communication – Lizeth Lira; Human Resources – Noelle Estrella; Industrial and Engineering Systems – Maryam Abdul-Wahid.