

Higher Education Scholarships



The California 4-H Youth Development Program is committed to promoting higher education, in part through offering financial assistance in the form of scholarships. Statewide scholarships are available, with help from donors, for graduating high school and collegiate-age 4-H members to help fund educational expenses such as tuition, books, room and board, and other educational expenses. While specific eligibility varies for each scholarship, most are judged on the candidate's 4-H leadership and citizenship experience, project work and future interests.

In 2008, twelve scholarships were awarded to a candidate pool of over a hundred high school seniors and college students. We intend to increase the number of scholarships we provide through additional sponsorships.

Examples of Previous Recipients

Mabel W. Jacks Scholarship Recipient: Ashley Driver – As a nine year 4-H member, Ashley was active in many 4-H activities culminating with her service as a 4-H State Ambassador. Ashley is now attending Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo studying animal science.

Dean Memorial Legacy Scholarship Recipient: Kristen Lee – Kristen is attending UC Berkeley for a bachelor's degree in International Business. It's the leadership skills she developed and the opportunities she experienced in 4-H that she says influenced her career plans.

Frank Woods Memorial Scholarship Recipient: Wendy Bennett – Wendy is attending Cal State University Bakersfield full time in the dairy science program and is still involved as a 4-H volunteer leader.

To read about other award recipients, visit <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/>

Sponsorship Opportunities

One-Time Named Scholarship – For a minimum of \$1,000, the sponsor may name a 4-H higher education scholarship for one year. Donors may sponsor more than one scholarship per year.

Endowed Scholarship – For approximately \$24,000, an endowment may be created to sponsor and name a 4-H higher education scholarship in perpetuity.

Recognition: The sponsor may specify the criteria for their scholarship. Donors are recognized in 4-H newsletters, on the website, and application materials. A photograph provided by the sponsor is published in the application materials.



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