

**QUINEBAUG VALLEY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION**



**31ST ANNUAL
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**



Spring 2021



The mission of the QVCC Foundation is to raise funds so that all residents of northeastern Connecticut are provided the opportunity to attend QVCC regardless of income, to support educational excellence, technological advancement, and professional development at the College and to serve as the regional advisory council.

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Dr. Frank Aleman Scholarship - \$500

For his entire 35-year teaching career at QVCC, Dr. Frank Aleman, professor emeritus, inspired his students to pursue their educational goals. Frank personally experienced the life changing opportunities scholarships can make in a student's life. He received a Ford Motor Company scholarship, which allowed him to emigrate from South Africa to study for a master's of business administration degree at New York University. He then earned a scholarship from Columbia University to complete his doctorate. This scholarship will allow QVCC students to receive a quality community college education to achieve their dreams.

ALTRUSA International of Northeastern Connecticut Scholarship - \$1,500

Altrusa International of Northeastern Connecticut is a not-for-profit volunteer service organization contributing to human well-being through the development and implementation of effective local community service programs. This scholarship is awarded to a female student from northeastern Connecticut who has demonstrated financial need and a strong record of community service.

Archambault-Beauchamp Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,350

Leon and Denise (Beauchamp) Archambault and their children have been strong supporters of QVCC for many years. Their son, Marc, is a member of the QVCC Foundation and has served as its president. This family scholarship was established in 2006 with preference given to students enrolled in business or medical-related fields.

bankHOMETOWN Scholarship - 13 @ \$2,000

QVCC is fortunate that bankHOMETOWN continues to provide much-needed financial support to local students that was started by its predecessor, The Citizens National Bank. As a result of this commitment, hundreds of QVCC students pursue their dreams of higher education.

Returning Students – 9 @ \$2,000

Transferring Student – 4 @ \$2,000

Richard C. & Louise S. Berry Scholarship - 2 @ \$900

Although Rogers Corporation established this scholarship in memory of Richard C. Berry, director of research and development, friends of Louise Berry have continued to support it. Mr. and Mrs. Berry have demonstrated a great commitment to education. He was an original member of the committee to form a community college in northeastern Connecticut and a member of the QVCC Regional Advisory Council. She was superintendent of schools in Brooklyn, former chair of the Board of Trustees of Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges, and a member of the QVCC Foundation. This award is given to a student seeking a degree in engineering or math with preference given to a student enrolled in the College of Technology or Early Childhood Education program.

David T. Britland Memorial Scholarship - \$500

Members of the Britland family established this scholarship in memory of David T. Britland, a former member of the QVCC maintenance staff and a home-care worker who treasured his opportunity to care for individuals with disabilities. He was also a Vietnam veteran who served in the United States Coast Guard. The recipient must have demonstrated financial need and be either a special needs student working to overcome obstacles to attend college or a student worker in the maintenance department.

David & Nancy Bull Scholarship - \$1,000

Dr. Nancy and Mr. David Bull endowed this scholarship in recognition of their commitment to higher education and interest in the field of science. Nancy is the vice provost for academic administration at the University of Connecticut. David was formerly dean of administration at QVCC with responsibilities for oversight of all non-academic departments of the college. The recipient must be studying towards an associate in science degree.

Burke Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

The Burke family established this scholarship as a tribute to Liz Burke who served the community for 33 years as a nurse. She was committed to improving health and well-being and also spent many hours doing volunteer work. The award is designated for a student studying in either the health care or criminal justice field.

Rhoda L. & David T. Chase Scholarships – 2 @ \$1,400

The Rhoda L. and David T. Chase Scholarships were established as a tribute to Mrs. Chase, who successfully balanced the skills of parenting and marriage while engaged in a demanding career. The scholarships will be presented to three students who will continue their education while balancing the importance of family and school.

Academic Achievement – \$1,400

Motivation – \$1,400

Elizabeth Czepiel Memorial Scholarship - \$1,150

Elizabeth Czepiel completed a graduate school internship at QVCC while attending the University of Connecticut. She embraced the opportunity to work with at-risk youth who wished to attend college. A scholarship was established in her memory by co-workers, friends, and family to provide an opportunity for a student to better him or herself through education.

Joan Dash Scholarship - \$750

Joan Dash, a former member of the QVCC Foundation, endowed this scholarship because she knew the difference the opportunity to go to college made in her own life. She decided to support generations of QVCC students because as a resident of northeastern Connecticut, she has seen first-hand and been impressed by the impact the college plays in the lives of so many people. Joan's hope is to provide QVCC students with the same opportunities she had.

Michael F. Davis Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

This scholarship was established by Michael's wife and children in his memory. After graduating from high school in 1976, he opened BGR Radiator Shop as an extension of his father's business, Brooklyn General Repair. While his expertise was further expanded and refined through many years of industry related training seminars, Michael had the mind of an engineer but lacked formal training. His family and friends hope to make someone else's life a bit better by contributing to their education in his memory. The recipient must be working towards a degree in the College of Technology.

Day Kimball Healthcare Scholarship - \$500

This scholarship is awarded to a resident of northeastern Connecticut interested in pursuing a career in healthcare. It may be applied to tuition, books or other expenses related to attending QVCC.

Demers Family Scholarship - \$1,000

The daughters of Celeste Demers created this scholarship in memory of their mother, who struggled to raise her five daughters as a single parent when her husband passed away prematurely. As a result of seeing the challenges their mother faced, all were inspired to achieve greater independence in their own lives. We are proud to call three of Celeste's daughters members of our alumni family.

Ryan S. Doyle Memorial Scholarship - 5 @ \$1,000

The Ryan S. Doyle Memorial Scholarship was created by Ryan's family to keep his memory alive while supporting students of northeastern Connecticut. With the support of many of Ryan's friends, this scholarship is a way to not only honor but memorialize the impact he made in his brief 27 years. Ryan graduated from Killingly High School in 2000 and went on to a career in management. At the time of his death, he was the night manager at Zip's Diner in Danielson. Although Ryan wasn't a student

at QVCC, he believed in the mission of the college and knew first-hand the important role the college plays in this region. His older brother Sean graduated from QVCC and served as president of the QVCC Foundation.

Dr. Carlee R. & Michael J. Drummer President's Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,250

Because of their profound belief in the transforming power of higher education, Dr. Carlee and Michael Drummer endowed this scholarship to underscore their commitment and dedication to Quinebaug Valley Community College. The scholarship assists a full time second-year student with demonstrated financial need who seeks to earn an associate's degree and transfer to a four-year college or university.

Mary Espinola Memorial Scholarship - \$250

Mary Espinola gave a great deal of her time to the establishment of QVCC. She, along with other area citizens, made it possible for people of this region to have access to high quality, low cost education. This scholarship in her memory is awarded to a Connecticut resident with financial need who is planning to pursue studies in business.

The Elizabeth Espita-Perez and Walter J. Hines Scholarship - \$400

This scholarship supports students and graduates of QVCC's ESL program. Elizabeth and Walter never met, but both valued America as a nation of immigrants. Elizabeth immigrated from Colombia, completed her master's degree, and worked at Windham Middle School with the students struggling to attend school and achieve the goal of a college education. She was passionate about providing opportunities for all children regardless of background. Walter's ancestors immigrated from Europe. Never having the opportunity to attend college, he valued life-long learning. Walter kept a dictionary and a set of encyclopedias nearby; family meals typically include a trip to the bookshelf to resolve a question, define a word, or understand a

scientific principle. He and Elizabeth would be proud to know that this scholarship benefits students striving for success.

Joan F. Golrick Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

The Joan F. Golrick Memorial Scholarship was established by her children as a tribute to their mother, who graduated with a degree in biology from Brown University in 1947 and then pursued a career in biomedical research. This trail-blazing wife and mother of eight cared deeply about her family and community. Passionate and committed to many people and causes, Joan was an active member of the QVCC Foundation's Scholarship Committee, Brown University Admissions Team, Inland Wetlands Commission, Girl Scouts of America and St. James Church. This scholarship is given to a single parent with demonstrated financial need studying early childhood education, as Joan believed in the power of education to positively impact lives.

Dr. Ellis A. & Shirley L. Hagstrom Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

Dr. Ellis A. Hagstrom served as an administrator at QVCC for nearly 20 years and was the first academic dean. He and his wife Shirley were committed to education and their daughter established this scholarship in their memory. This scholarship is awarded to a full or part-time student with a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better and demonstrated financial need.

The Haines Family Scholarship - \$1,000

This scholarship was established by the Haines Family in honor of Nick Haines, a local business owner who cared deeply about his community. Nick and his wife Judy demonstrated their shared belief in service to others by the active roles they played in numerous local organizations including Rotary and the QVCC Foundation. Their children Tracey and Rusty continue to carry on Nick's legacy. Rusty is an active QVCC Foundation Member and local business owner.

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Betty & Newell Hale Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,750

This scholarship was established because of Betty and Newell Hale's deep commitment to education and dedication to the local community. Their son, Lawrence, served as a member of the QVCC Foundation for several years, including as the Foundation's president. He was recognized for his extraordinary service to the Foundation with emeritus designation in 2014. These scholarships are awarded to students attending QVCC with demonstrated financial need.

W.H.G. Herklots Family Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,450

This scholarship was established by Susan D. Lillie in honor of her family. A 1929 Killingly High School graduate and highly honored teacher for over 50 years, Mrs. Lillie believed in the value of education offered by QVCC and cared deeply about helping students overcome difficulties in their pursuit of academic degrees. Her brother, Dr. Adriaan R.J. Herklots created the original committee formed to establish a community college in northeastern Connecticut and also served as a financial aid director at QVCC for many years.

Jewett City Savings Bank Scholarship - \$500

Jewett City Savings Bank, founded in 1873, has a longtime history of serving and supporting the local community. The bank has had the privilege of having Dr. Robert E. Miller, former president of QVCC for over 20 years, serve on its board of directors. This scholarship is presented in appreciation of the support and leadership of past and future business leaders in our community.

John J. "Bud" Keenan Memorial Scholarship - \$1,400

John Keenan, known to friends and family as Bud, was the epitome of hard work, humility and service to others. Bud's 12 nieces and nephews, who funded the scholarship in his name, want to ensure that his bedrock values continue to live on. The family hopes the recipient will have the same enduring and positive impact on others that Uncle Bud had on his family, friends and community.

Killingly Brooklyn Rotary - \$1,000

The Killingly Brooklyn Rotary was founded in 1926, by a group of community leaders dedicated to promoting the Rotary International motto of "Service Above Self." This scholarship is awarded to a student residing in Killingly or Brooklyn who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to community service.

Keith John Kipper Memorial Scholarship - \$850

Keith Kipper was a 1986 graduate of QVCC with an associate's degree in human services. After receiving a bachelor's degree he became a drug and alcohol counselor. This scholarship was established in his memory to be awarded to a non-traditional student in the Human Services degree program. Eligibility is based on scholastic merit and demonstrated financial need.

George & Demeter Lakatzis Scholarship - \$600

This scholarship was established by George Lakatzis in memory of his first wife, Demi, who studied fine arts at QVCC. Demi taught biology and gym at Killingly High School and was a long term member of the town's Planning and Zoning Committee—even voting to build the West wing of the college. George has served his fellow townspeople as chairman of the Killingly Housing Authority, president of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, and former member of the QVCC Foundation. For all their service, Demi and George are still most recognized by their legions of satisfied customers from their Danielson landmark restaurant George's Galley!

Maria Angelos & George Lakatzis Scholarship - \$600

This scholarship was established by George Lakatzis in memory of his dear friend Maria Angelos '95, director of admissions at QVCC. Her many friends and colleagues continue to support this scholarship as a tribute to Maria, who embodied a love of learning and of helping others in both her personal

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and professional life. After graduating from QVCC, she earned her B.A. from ECSU and her M.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. She was an active member of the QVCC community as well as the local community, including Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Maria's legacy will not be forgotten by all fortunate to receive this scholarship named in her loving memory.

Hans Langhammer Scholarship - \$775

This scholarship was established by Eris Green Langhammer in memory of her husband, Hans, a German immigrant who left Europe after World War II, during which time he was a Russian prisoner. Dr. Langhammer graduated from Heidelberg University with a degree in medicine, later becoming a renowned forensic psychiatrist. His wife believed greatly in education and was the second licensed x-ray technician in the state of Connecticut. She was also a sculptor and painter. The intent of this scholarship is to help students better their own lives while marrying the interests of both Dr. and Mrs. Langhammer. The recipient must be a student with disabilities pursuing a degree in fine arts.

Rose Bove La Rose & Normand O. La Rose Scholarship - \$450

This scholarship is given in honor of the late Rose Bove and Normand O. La Rose. They played a significant role in business development in northeastern Connecticut. Rose and Normand also shared a life-long interest in education, supporting educational initiatives in whatever way possible. This scholarship is awarded in memory of these two dedicated and hard-working people to a full or part time student with a GPA of 3.0 or better.

LiR Scholarship - In Memory of Dr. Edmond Morin 3 @ \$1,200

This year's scholarship is given in memory of Dr. Edmond Morin, respected area Chiropractor, past president and presenter of over 100 classes for our

adult learning community. LiR is a thriving independent program based at QVCC for adults who enjoy learning in a stimulating and social environment. Over 400 residents of northeastern Connecticut take advantage of this incredible opportunity on an annual basis. A member of LiR is a voting member of the QVCC Foundation. Preference is given to residents of northeastern Connecticut taking the majority of his/her classes at the Danielson campus.

May & Frank Messinger Memorial Scholarship - \$700

May Messinger dedicated over ten years of service to QVCC as the financial aid assistant. She and her husband valued education, and their children established this award in their memory. This scholarship is presented to a single parent who has completed at least 12 credits at QVCC.

Emil & Alice Miller Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

The Miller family established this scholarship to honor Emil and Alice Miller, parents of QVCC's first president, Dr. Robert E. Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Miller were children of immigrants who had struggled through the Great Depression and understood the importance of education. They were both enormously proud of their son's professional responsibilities with the Connecticut Community College System. This award is presented to an area high school graduate with demonstrated financial need who is entering QVCC.

Dr. Robert E. & Sylvia M. Miller Scholarship - \$1,000

This scholarship was established in March of 1992 on the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Robert E. Miller, who served as president of QVCC for over 20 years. With deep commitment to education, QVCC, and The QVCC Foundation, this award is offered to a QVCC student who has shown outstanding involvement in service to the community.

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Barbara Morowski Memorial Scholarship - \$500

This scholarship was created by Barbara's four children in honor of their artistically gifted mother. At the age of 62, Barbara decided to pursue her degree in fine arts at QVCC. She was just a few credits short of reaching that goal when she passed away after a two-year battle with cancer. Barbara loved to travel the world and enjoyed painting the faces of the native people of the many countries she visited. She also loved to share her knowledge and opened her arms (and her studio) to many friends and family. The recipient must be a full or part time student enrolled in the Fine Arts program.

Moumouris Dykstra Family Scholarship - \$600

Dr. Toni T. Moumouris, director of admissions emeritus, established this scholarship in honor of her retirement in May 2010. Toni worked in higher education for over 30 years and remains deeply committed to helping students pursue their education and career goals.

Virginia A. '78 & Thomas E. Moumouris Scholarship - \$500

Virginia's husband and daughters have established this memorial scholarship to provide college funds to a QVCC student while honoring her legacy. Virginia was a part-time adult student while working full time in the business office at Harvard H. Ellis Technical High School. In the 1970s, her children completed their bachelor's degrees at various universities while she completed her associate's degree (in 1978) from QVCC in the Executive Secretary program.

Northeast Connecticut Arts Council Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,000

This scholarship was established to promote the development and recognition of artistic talent. It is presented to a student enrolled in the Fine Arts program who has completed at least one semester at QVCC. The student must be recommended by a faculty member who has firsthand knowledge of his or her artistic talent and promise.

Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,400

The Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce serves the area as a not-for-profit professional organization whose mission is to promote the success of area businesses through networking, education, and the sharing of vital information to its membership. One of the ways that the Chamber supports the greater community is through a scholarship fund established at QVCC. The scholarship recipient must be a resident of a town served by the Chamber.

Northeast Opportunities for Wellness Norman Corriveau Scholarship - \$700

Northeast Opportunities for Wellness, Inc. (NOW) is a non-profit human service organization dedicated to the promotion of youth wellness. NOW provides education in nutrition and instruction in fitness and sports, regardless of access to financial resources. In addition, NOW focuses on issues of wellness related to the prevention of child abuse, fostering healthy communities through education of youth mentors and coaches. NOW awards this scholarship in memory of Norman Corriveau, who was passionate in his support of community and youth wellness programs. The recipient of the scholarship must be a resident of northeastern Connecticut.

Dr. Lynn Pasquerella '78 & John Kuchle Scholarship - \$1,000

This scholarship supports students who have demonstrated academic excellence in pursuit of the liberal arts and sciences, and shows the lasting commitment Lynn and John have for QVCC. Lynn is a proud QVCC alumna who went on to earn her bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College and her Ph.D. from Brown University. In July 2016, Lynn became the 14th president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities. Prior to this position, she served as the 18th president of Mount Holyoke College. In his 30 year career, John taught biology and photography to generations of QVCC students. He is a professor emeritus of biology as well as an avid photographer.

Putnam Rotary Gerry Cotnoir Scholarship - \$1,000

The Putnam Rotary Club established this scholarship in honor of Gerry Cotnoir's 50 years of membership in the club and his 32 years of service to the community as the principal of Putnam Middle School. Gerry is a past president of the Putnam Rotary, a two-time Paul Harris Fellow, and the long-time chairman of the club's Scholarship Committee. The Putnam Rotary Club was founded in 1923 by a group of community leaders dedicated to promoting the Rotary International motto of "Service Above Self." This scholarship is awarded to a student residing in the Putnam Rotary service area who shows outstanding involvement in community service.

Rooke-Norman Women's Opportunity Scholarship - \$1,000

Attorney Gail Rooke-Norman is an active QVCC Foundation member whose passion and commitment to community organizations benefits many. She chose to endow this scholarship in 2012 after serving on the QVCC Foundation Scholarship Committee, where she recognized the challenges many women face in their quest for higher education. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled in a certificate or degree program, have persevered despite hardships/setbacks and be continuing their education at QVCC.

Kathleen A. Russell Memorial Scholarship - \$400

Kathleen Russell embodied the spirit of the non-traditional student at QVCC where she studied medical assisting. At the time of her death, she held a position in that field at Massachusetts General Hospital. Her family and friends established this memorial scholarship in her honor. It is presented to a female student who is enrolled in a medical degree or certificate program at QVCC.

John J. Sarnowski Memorial Scholarship - \$550

John Joseph Sarnowski, a graduate of New Britain Trade School, worked as a machinist at the Wallace Barnes Division of Associated Spring in Bristol. He enlisted in the Navy in 1942 and served as a machinist mate on the USS Shadwell. Upon his honorable discharge he returned to Wallace Barnes, from which he retired in 1983 after 38 years with the company. John's children chose to endow this scholarship on Veterans' Day so that all recipients would pause to remember this excellent family man who took great pride in his job, in his military service and in his country.

William & Dorothy St. Onge Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

William and Dorothy St. Onge were community leaders who believed in the mission of QVCC and worked diligently to support the citizens of northeastern Connecticut. Dorothy served on the QVCC Regional Advisory Council in the early years of the college, and Bill served as congressman from the 2nd District.

Savings Institute Bank & Trust Scholarship - \$1,200

Savings Institute Bank & Trust was acquired by Berkshire Bank in 2019, but supported QVCC because they considered the college to be a vital part of the community. Former Savings Institute President and Chief Executive Officer Rheo Brouillard served several years as a Foundation member, including president, and was awarded Foundation member emeritus in 2013. Preference will be given to a student in a business program.

Norma & David Senger Family Scholarship - \$1,300

Dianne E. Williams, president emeritus of QVCC and Foundation member emeritus, endowed a scholarship as a tribute to her parents, Norma and David Senger. Although Mrs. Senger was an excellent high school student, she did not have the

option to attend college. While David didn't see the need for higher education for women, Norma ensured that their four daughters had the chance to attend college and be given the opportunities in life that education provides.

A.L. Simonds Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

A.L. Simonds, the founder of Linemaster Switch, designed the first foot switch in 1937 to support his lens machinery. In 1952, he founded and incorporated Linemaster in Woodstock, CT. It has since become the world's largest manufacturer of foot controls. Preference will be given to employees of Linemaster Switch Corporation or their family members.

Sommer Family Scholarship - \$600

The Sommer Family Fund was established in 2017 in recognition of their commitment to community, higher education, and the advancement of science. This scholarship is awarded to a local student studying in the allied health field.

Spirol International Corporation Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,500

Spirol International Corporation has been a supporter of QVCC for many years. They have made a continued commitment to education and the local community. The scholarships are presented to students enrolled in the associate in science degree program in the College of Technology in Technology Studies or Engineering.

Thompson Lions Club Scholarship – \$575

The Thompson Lions Club, incorporated over 55 years ago, is part of a network of over 20,000 clubs worldwide whose primary interest is service to the blind and visually impaired. As part of its mission, the 50 men and women of the Thompson Lion's Club work all year to raise funds in support of local projects. This scholarship represents the members' dedication to education in northeastern Connecticut.

Tracy Thompson Memorial Scholarship - \$500

Tracy Thompson was a beloved special education teacher at Woodstock Elementary School from 1994-2007. When Tracy's colleagues learned of her illness, they worked together to raise over \$10,000 to help the family with associated costs. It is this money that her children, Greg and Danielle, used to endow this fund as a tribute to their mother and her lifelong devotion to education.

Steven & Marjolaine '87, '88 Townsend Scholarships - 30 @ \$1,500

The Townsends care deeply about residents of Northeast Connecticut, as shown by their generous support of numerous local organizations. Steve is a nationally recognized business leader who co-founded United Natural Foods (UNFI) in Danielson, CT. A long-time member of the QVCC Foundation, in 2012 Steve was honored with emeritus status for his "extraordinary contribution to the Foundation's mission." Marge is an active community volunteer whose hard work and dedication has helped many. Steve and Marge are proud Putnam High School graduates and the first members of their respective families to attend college, both starting at QVCC. They hope that in providing these scholarships, students will pursue their dreams and one day be in a position to help others do the same.

Business Scholarship – 10 @ \$1,500

Preference is given to business or accounting students.

Fine Arts Scholarship – 5 @ \$1,500

Preference is given to fine art students.

Liberal Arts and Sciences Scholarship – 10 @ \$1,500

Preference is given to liberal arts and sciences students.

Putnam High School Scholarship - 5 @ \$1,500

United Natural Foods Scholarship - 2 @ \$1,450

United Natural Foods supports access to education for its employees, their family members, and citizens in the local community through these annual scholarships for entering or continuing students at QVCC. Each recipient must have a strong scholastic record with a minimum GPA of 3.2. Preference is given to United Natural Foods, Inc. employees and members of their immediate families.

The Helena B. Witkowski Memorial Scholarship - 2 @ \$2,500

Helena B. Witkowski was born in 1927 and grew up on a dairy farm in North Grosvenordale, CT. An honors graduate of Tourtellotte High School, she went on to the Connecticut Institute of Hairdressing and Cosmetology in Hartford, CT. She owned and operated her own beauty salon in Putnam, CT. While working full-time and caring for her parents, Helena continued her education earning a Bachelor of Science degree from Central Connecticut State University and a certificate in education from the University of Krakow in Poland. Ms. Witkowski then joined the faculty at H. Ellis Regional Vocational and Technical School. She spent many happy, memorable years teaching, mentoring and caring deeply for her students. She retired in 1986 as Department Head of Beauty and Culture.

Jeanne L. Zesut Northeastern Connecticut Human Resources Association Scholarship - \$1,000

The Northeastern Connecticut Human Resources Association provides a scholarship to a beginning or continuing student in the field of management or other business program. The student must live in northeastern Connecticut.

2021 QVCC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Janelle Abel Lebanon	Rowan Coleman Chepachet	Bryna Ford Canterbury
Moesha Aguilar Coventry	Ruby Collins Hampton	Cassidy Fortier Pomfret
Jordan Alexander Putnam	Jourhana Colon Southbridge	Kerryann Frenier Putnam
Cristal Alvarez Willimantic	Taylor Copeland Putnam	Jesse Fultz Danielson
Scott Aubin Danielson	Kamila Correa Danielson	Yasmin Garcia-Juarez Willimantic
Paige Audet Woodstock	Olivia Corrente Plainfield	Jessie Greenhalgh Killingly
Khamvongsouk Bandith Killingly	Emma Curtis Canterbury	Caroline Hamill Brooklyn
Bernardo Barron Canterbury	Victoria DeJesus Willimantic	Lindsey Houghton North Grosvenordale
Nathan Barylski Putnam	Samantha Delp Putnam	Anna Ionkin Putnam
Nicola Bastien Pomfret Center	Evan Despathy Killingly	Brandon Johnson Dudley
Seth Benoit Woodstock	Maximillion Doucette Sterling	Ismail Kiani Putnam
Liam Blanchflower Woodstock	Maggie Fallon Sterling	Hannah Kipp Dayville
Angelique Caouette Brooklyn	Sarah Farland Canterbury	Kelsey Kosior Pomfret Center
Kelly Cardosa Plainfield	Jennifer Farquharson Danielson	Olha Lacasse Dayville
Rut Castro Willimantic	Denishka Figueroa Willimantic	Mathew Lang Plainfield
Kevin Champagne Putnam	Nikki Flynn Danielson	Amber Lumbra Dayville
Chiara Cinque Putnam	Jocelyn Foisey Woodstock	Krystal Maclure Dayville

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India McDermott-Arriola
Hampton

Mackenzie Silk
Hampton

Sara Watson
North Grosvenordale

Jeshly Morales
Norwich

Jack Smalarz
North Grosvenordale

Breana Weidele
Putnam

Miranda Mullen
Moosup

Faith Smith
Sterling

Sumeyra Yavuz
North Haven

Abigail Norgren
East Killingly

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Dudley

Dana Normandie
Brooklyn

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Danielson

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Brooklyn

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Thompson

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Danielson

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Dayville

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Brooklyn

Tiahma Rawls
Brooklyn

Cyd Marie Valentin Padua
Willimantic

Natalia Reali
Brooklyn

Milagro Velasquez-Argueta
Willimantic

Michayla Rugh
Putnam

Madeline Vertefeuille
Ashford

Elijah Saine
Woodstock

Rachel Vertefeuille
Ashford

Katarzyna Shamshad
Windham

Emily Watling
Danielson

Join us at upcoming Foundation events!

June 3, 2021	Donuts for Donations
Sept. 15, 2021	Annual Golf Tournament
Oct. 16, 2021	Tackle the Trail



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