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Ow Family Continues American Dream Scholarship Tradition 106 High School Students Receive Scholarships to Attend Cabrillo College

Long-time philanthropist George Ow, Jr. and his family have been providing American Dream Scholarships of \$500 to local ethnic minority high school seniors for 28 years. The Ow family awarded 106 high school seniors American Dream scholarships in a June ceremony and George Ow, Jr. told students, "My parents came from China and believed in the power of education. Dozens of our family members have come to Cabrillo College and we are grateful for the opportunities it has provided to us. Our family believes that the American Dream is that you can come from humble beginnings and succeed, and when you do succeed, you give back to help others."

Since 1989, the Ow Family has awarded over \$560,000 to graduating high school students coming to Cabrillo. It is just one of the many ways the Ow Family has supported students and mission of Cabrillo College over the years.

Several scholarship recipients spoke at the ceremony and expressed their gratitude for the support from the Ow Family including, Edgar Mora, who graduated from Pajaro Valley High School this June. Edgar is a hardworking and dedicated student, who has successfully immigrated from Michoacán, Mexico, and has overcome the language barrier to graduate in the top five of his class. Edgar shared, "This scholarship will help me pay for college. I want to thank Mr. George Ow, Jr. and the Ow family for making the American Dream Scholarship possible." Edgar is eager to attend Cabrillo, he says, "I want to continue to be outstanding in my next step, college."

Cabrillo College Foundation has been leading the way among California Community Colleges in eliminating financial barriers by providing over \$800,000 in scholarships to students each year and helping students achieve the dream of attending college thanks to generous donors like the Ow family.

2017 American Dream Scholarship recipients are:

Aptos High School

Cassandra Gonzales
Cindy Hernandez-Sanguino
Abigail Gonzalez Hernandez



Carina Hernandez-Sanguino
Alejandra Monroy
Manuel Roman
Alison Tiran-Ceja

Delta High School

Savannah Norman
Alex Drechsler
Eduardo Fuentes

Pajaro Valley High School

Edgar Mora
Jonathan Rocha-Zamora
Juan Avila
Ana Cortez-Lopez
Jennifer Ferreyra
Ricardo Gonzalez Sandoval
Sara Grajeda
Chantal Guerra
Eugenia Hernandez
Daniela Saavedra
Juan Salazar
Edward Torres
Maria Valadez-Lopez
Bianca Diaz

Renaissance High School

Carlos Cortez
Nancy Escobar
Fabian Navarro-Chavez
Alexia Silva
Erik Serrano
Angel Alvarez Lopez
Jose Barajas
Victor Barajas
Alejandro Barreto Anaya
Luis Conda
Jesus Diaz
Angel Estrada Garcia
Axel Lozano
Alexandra Macias
Noemi Navarro
Brandon Perez Flores
Alexis Rangel
Maria Renteria
Aldo Rocha
Abril Rojo

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Alvaro Velasquez Gutierrez
Maria Herrera Fernandez
Jacqueline Calderon
Christopher Diaz
Luis Zavala
Gabriel Black
Lucia Rangel

San Lorenzo Valley High School

James Hilberath
Sarah Prucha

Santa Cruz County Office of Education

Jaqueline Martinez-Garcia
Leticia Ponce
Carlos Hernandez Gonzalez
Karen Rodriguez-Serrano

Santa Cruz High School

Ulizez Castro
Ramsey Montero Sanchez
Pawornwan Pongjinda
Diego Magana
Yareth Torres

Scotts Valley High School

Cesar Felix

Soquel High School

Martin Salazar Alvarez
Karyna Rodriguez
Michaela Thornton
Raneem Zaghlouleh

Teen Center Community School

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Nicole Jimenez
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About The Cabrillo College Foundation

The Cabrillo College Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 1962 to raise private donations for the support of Cabrillo programs. Private support is used for student scholarships, research and educational programs, faculty and departmental support, facilities, and equipment. Local citizens, college staff, faculty and Cabrillo trustees serve on the 28-member foundation board, representing all geographic areas. For the 2015 -2016 academic year, the foundation provided Cabrillo College with \$4,366,937 in support.

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Its mission is to enhance the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of our diverse community by assisting all students in their quest for lifelong learning and success in an ever-changing world.

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