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**Christian Financial Awards $15,000 in scholarships to local high school graduates**

The credit union’s annual Bathanti-D’Agostino Memorial Scholarship program awards scholarships to 15 high school seniors

**Sterling Heights, Mich., (July 17, 2024)** – Christian Financial Credit Union named 15 students as recipients of the Bathanti-D’Agostino Memorial Scholarship for 2024, awarding a total of $15,000 in scholarships. The scholarship, established to honor the early pioneers of the credit union, recognizes academic achievement and community involvement.

This year’s recipients included:

* Caroline Cubitt, Athens High School
* Aiden Evans, Anchor Bay High School
* CarRyn Gilbert, Cass Technical High School
* Nnameka Ikechi, De La Salle Collegiate High School
* Brieanna Love, L’Anse Creuse High School North
* Kyler Maiorana, Parkway Christian High School
* Alexandra McIntyre, Grosse Pointe North High School
* Morgan McIntyre, Grosse Pointe North High School
* Corey McKenzie, The School at Marygrove
* Kennedy Roskopp, Regina High School
* Andrew Schanden, Grosse Pointe North High School
* Audrey Schena, Regina High School
* Luke Schena, De La Salle Collegiate High School
* Nickolas Wheatley, Oxford High School
* Shekinah Willis, Sterling Heights High School

The scholarship program's goal is to assist recipients in furthering their education with the long-term outcome of a more vibrant, healthy, and inclusive society and community. Applicants for this year’s scholarships submitted transcripts, letters of recommendation, a resume, and a typed essay explaining how they exemplify the credit union philosophy of “People Helping People.”

“We received an overwhelming amount of thoughtful and conscientious applications this year from some of our region’s brightest and best,” said Christine Quitter, director of business development and community outreach at Christian Financial. “It made choosing the winners tremendously difficult. I know these students will succeed in whatever path they choose, and we wish them the very best.”

For more information about Christian Financial and its scholarship programs, visit christianfinancialcu.com.

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Christian Financial Credit Union began more than 70 years ago as St. Jude Parish Credit Union in Detroit and has since grown to serve about 60,000 members with more than $850 million in assets. Today, membership at Christian Financial is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, or attends school in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, or St. Clair counties. Christian Financial offers high-quality, high-value products and services to promote convenience, trust, and personal service for members. The credit union offers comprehensive financial services beyond typical retail consumer services through ownership of a mortgage company and a commercial loan company. In September 2019, the credit union built its new headquarters in Sterling Heights, Michigan to accommodate its rapid growth in serving residents of metro Detroit. For more information, visit [christianfinancialcu.com](https://www.christianfinancialcu.com).

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