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CASE Credit Union Awards Scholarships to Regional High School and Lansing Community College Students

This year's series of awards saw the introduction of new scholarships

LANSING, Mich. — CASE Credit Union has unveiled the recipients of its annual scholarships, providing \$22,000 in financial support to regional high school and Lansing Community College Students. New scholarships were also introduced to honor influential faculty and members.

“The foundation of our organization is built on the power of education. With these scholarships, we aim to provide support to help those within our community working hard to ensure they achieve academic excellence and provide easier access to education those that might not have otherwise due to financial restraints,” said Jeffrey Benson, president & CEO of CASE Credit Union. “This year we’re excited to be introducing new scholarships that honor individuals we at CASE Credit Union hold near and dear. We hope to continue their legacy and highlight the significant contributions they’ve made as members of this community through these scholarships.”

This year CASE awarded 12 \$1,000 scholarships to area high school students and five \$2,000 scholarships to Lansing Community College students. Recipients of the scholarships were awarded based on their academic achievement, community involvement, school activities, awards/honors, financial needs, professional or educational recommendations and submission of an essay on financial literacy initiatives.

The high school scholarships honor the following former influential credit union employees, board members and a founder of CASE:

- Florence Chubb was a well-loved and well-respected board president from 1963 to 1977. She was involved in the move to the present location on South Pennsylvania.
- June “Bud” Hayes was a member of our credit committee for several years in the early '90s. Because of his dedication to CASE Credit Union, his name was added to the scholarship to honor him.
- Hyrtl Feeman was one of the founders of our credit union. He signed the original charter and was an active member from 1936 until the early 2000s. He was a former schoolteacher and loved the credit union.

A brand new scholarship was introduced in honor of Sheila A. Williams-Matlock; who was a steadfast presence at CASE for 34-years, known as a mentor, a leader, and an advocate for education. Knowing she would be humbled to continue contributing to the success of young people, Bert Matlock provided the donation on behalf of his late wife. The generous donation enabled CASE to award five additional \$1,000 scholarships to students, towards continuing their education next fall.

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The following students were each awarded \$1000 from 2020/2021 Chubb/Hayes/Feeman and the Sheila A. Williams-Matlock scholarships:

Carlos-Aldo Lopez Resendiz
Everett High School
Michigan State University

Patricia Hebenstreit
Olivet High School
Michigan State University

Lexi Martens
Saint Johns High School
Central Michigan University

Kayla Edwards
East Lansing High School
Hampton University

Austin Vue
Waverly High School
Wayne State University

Carl Gillengerten
Haslett High School
Hope College

Audriyana Jaber
Okemos High School
Michigan State University

Joseph Gillengerten
Haslett High School
Hope College

McKenna Sutterlin
Holt High School
Carthage College

Madeline Smith
Grand Ledge High School
Western Michigan University

Kate Bellgowan
DeWitt High School
Michigan State University

Madison Sermak
Okemos High School
Aquinas College

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This year CASE presented Lansing Community College Scholarships in honor of Constance Knowlton; a member of the CASE Credit Union Board of Directors from 1984 – 2010. Knowlton was a retired teacher from the Lansing School District where she taught for over 30 years touching the lives of many generations of students. Her commitment to education went far beyond the classroom, having served for many years as a member of the Michigan Education Association and CAREEA (Retired Teachers Association).

The following recipients were awarded \$2000 from the Constance Knowlton Scholarship:

Warren Livingston
Kaylee Spencer
Morgan Wietzke
Taylor Little
Dane Guth

About CASE Credit Union

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