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DCU for Kids Scholarships

For over 20 years, DCU, through DCU for Kids, has provided a scholarship program designed to assist students in the pursuit of a higher education with over \$1.7 million in scholarships being awarded. In 2022, DCU for Kids awarded 120 scholarships totaling \$190,000 to graduating high school seniors. Recipients were chosen by an impartial panel of college educators who base their decisions on scholastic achievement, community involvement, leadership skills, character and integrity, recommendation letters, as well as an essay submitted by the student.

Congratulations to this year's scholarship winners:

2022 \$2,500 DCU Scholarship Winners

Aaron V. Lewis Aarushi Pant Ananya Lertpradist Anusha Tembe Ashley Hanna Gonzalez Cruz Astoria Fox Bailey Darbro Christopher Francis Wells Grace Shambley Isabella Thissell Isabelle Claire Alexandra Murphy Nina Berry Natasha D'Cunha Jonathan Chung Pranati Mary Yadlapalli Riya Prodipto Mitra Srijan Meesala Trisha Khungar Victoria Gutierrez Tyler Jack Bowman

2022 \$2,000 DCU Scholarship Winners

Ameera Mazen Asse Ashlesha Bhojane Asim Adhikary Chethani Madara Perera Charles Wesley Tower Mary Oo Devan King Elijah Whang Elizabeth Brunelle Carolina Senhorini Seixas Ethan Johnson Koki Ogawa Jacqueline Pottle Rishi Mehulkumar Shah Maiko Utsumi Elizabeth Huggins Ojas Nilesh Phirke Samantha Feinberg Ryan Guilmette Ethan Pellicane

2022 \$1,500 DCU Scholarship Winners

Aditya Ariyur Alexander Gonzalez Alexandra Valerie Nelson Anh Tran (Annie) Andreina Gonzalez Andra Katelyn Xayaraj Anika Purohit Caitlyn Hamrick Christopher Ruiz Dinesh Bojja Edward Washington III Jamie Lim Gemma Marie Ugorowski Jiya Bhatia Janice Tran Farrelle Toumani Sieyadji Jordan Haynes Jordan Kendal Dixson Joshua Cooper Kennington Margot Sonia Karinna Victoria Lunter Kyra Keeling Malia I. Montalvo Macy Celene Hughes Mary Win Matheus Alves Matthew Wittlich Natalia Correia Norah Elizabeth Carter Sanjana Parise Sarina Jarrahi Horner Sean Gallagher Seviya Jordan Mast Shrijan Khadka Siddharth Mehta Sruthi Kurada Tania Panikanthara Binu Varshini Sathish Vineeth Nareedy Yerahm Hong

2022 \$1,000 DCU Scholarship Winners

Ainsley Parkins Cassidy Koetitz Ariana Iveth Guandique Reyes Coco Zheng Benjamin Sloan Kahn Francesca Beyer **Emily Faith Wells** Elda Wongel Abayneh Esperanza Guizar Heather Erin Diaz Francesca Rosetta Thuresson Esha Modi Harshil Mayank Shah Jayden Post Iana Mignano Mallory Menard Kade Williams Sriya Kotta Mariel Ann Gosamo Salomon Megha Kumar Megan Patricia Mahoney Ritisha Suresh Michelle Ho Samantha Mehler Ronak Saluja Simisola Oshikanlu Shreya Jagan Sofia N. Konkolics Simran Kaur Swetha Kesavan Sreya Lakshmi Das Thu Minh Le Stephanie Xu Ved Agrawal Taylor Hodge Yijia Wang Tristin Jantz Grace Noelle McGonagle Yana Batra Matthew Eric Bourguignon

The Annual Scholarship Program will begin to accept applications starting in December of 2022 for the 2023 application process. Please visit **dcuforkids.org/scholarships** in mid-November for Official Rules and FAQ's. All DCU employees, volunteers, subsidiaries, affiliates, and their immediate family members are ineligible to apply to the DCU Memorial Scholarship Program.

Fraud: It Can Happen to Anyone

Here are some common scams, and what you can do to avoid becoming a victim:

• Impersonation/Technical Support
Scams: Fraudsters will pretend to
be someone who is credible, such
as; a law enforcement agent, a utility
company worker, a technical support
representative, or an employee of your
financial institution. They will try to
create a sense of panic and urgency
stating that there is a problem and
ask for your personal and
account information.

How to avoid: Request their name, ask for a phone number, and confirm the name of the organization they are representing. Look up the contact information for the organization yourself, if the phone number you were given does not match, it's likely a scam.

 Work From Home Scams: Scammers will present individuals with cash offers for lucrative work from home positions.

How to avoid: Request basic information about the company, such as; the business name, phone number, headquarters mailing address, business website address, etc. Take this information and call your local Secretary of State office, or conduct research with the Better Business Bureau to verify whether or not it is a legitimate business.

• Romance and Elder Abuse Scams:

Scammers will typically contact individuals through social media and will take their time to get to know them and gain their trust. Once they feel they have formed a connection with their targets, the scammer will begin to request financial support. They will play on the

emotions of their victims, saying that they need the money for help with a family problem, their debt, or medical expenses.

How to avoid: Don't believe that everyone is who they claim to be. If you don't know someone personally and have no way to confirm if they really need financial assistance from you, do not give them access to your funds.

For more information on how you can protect yourself from different types of fraud and scams, please visit **dcu.org/fraud**.

If you suspect any unauthorized activity on your DCU account, contact us immediately at **800.328.8797**.

DCU's Financial Education Center

Have you seen the new **Financial Education Center** on **dcu.org**? It's full of informative articles to help our members succeed in achieving their financial goals. Whether you're looking to buy a car, finance an education, or refinance a mortgage – the Financial Education Center has articles that can help you make an informed decision. We're always adding new articles, so you'll always be up to date with the latest information.

Check it out today!



The DCU Way

DCU is devoted to making our local communities a better place to call home by supporting organizations that assist children and families, leading financial education programs, and sponsoring community events. For more information, visit **dcu.org/community**.

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