

# Supporting Students through Scholarships

Scholarships are a great way to help Hawai'i's students achieve their dreams and reach their potential. Scholarships provide pathways to college completion and career readiness to students with financial need, which in turn, help our community move toward a more equitable future.

Hawai'i Community Foundation can partner with you to turn your vision for scholarship giving into reality.

## IMPACT

Hawai'i Community Foundation is the second largest scholarship distributor in Hawai'i.



More than  
**1,600 STUDENTS**  
receive scholarships through  
HCF each year



HCF awards more than  
**\$9 MILLION**  
in scholarships annually



HCF oversees more than  
**300 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

## Why Partner with HCF?

» **Expertise:** We bring decades of experience in scholarship administration. We take care of everything from reviewing applications, to notifying students and colleges, to handling investment strategies, and more. And we do it in a cost-effective manner.

» **Exposure:** At HCF, we promote scholarship programs through our partnerships, our website, media coverage, print materials, social media, and scholarship outreach events. This means more students in need will learn about your scholarship.

» **Scale:** More resources create more opportunities. Recipients of your scholarship dollars will also have access to 300 other scholarship funds through a single application.

» **Connection:** HCF can help you stay connected with scholarship recipients, so you can learn about their progress and hear about the impact of higher education on their lives.

» **Equity:** HCF is committed to the principle of equity in education—making sure that the students in greatest need don't get left behind. When you partner with us, you know your scholarship will be helping those who need it most





## How it Works

» **Donors:** You decide what kind of scholarship you want to support, whether it's contributing to HCF's pooled Stronger Together Hawai'i Scholarship Fund, supporting an established scholarship fund that aligns with your interests, or creating and naming a new scholarship based on your own criteria

» **Students:** Students can apply for HCF scholarships with a single, online application. Applications are screened and sorted to match candidates with the scholarships for which they're eligible. HCF staff review and recommend scholarship recipients based on a careful understanding of the scholarship donor's intent and criteria. Nearly 30% of HCF scholarship recipients receive more than one award or a renewable award.

### What are the fund minimums and fees?

Endowed Scholarship Fund Minimum:

**\$50,000\***

Non-Endowed Scholarship Fund Minimum:

**\$15,000\*\***

\*Annual administration fee:  
1.5%, additional contributions fee: 1.5%, minimum fee is \$500

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## SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

**Name:** Kiana Vallente

**Current School:** Kapi'olani Community College

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major:** Business Administration

**High School:** Kea'au High School

“As a single mother, I do everything in my power to provide everything that my son deserves, and this often leaves my dreams and aspirations on the back burner. My child is my first priority, and I invest all of my resources into making his dreams a reality. Paying for college can be challenging, and any scholarship I may be awarded will lighten the financial burden that comes with pursuing a higher education. This will allow me to be able to focus more on my schoolwork without the worry of how I will afford it.”

**How do I get started?** For additional information and to maximize the impact of your giving, contact us at **(808) 566-5560** or [donorservices@hcf-hawaii.org](mailto:donorservices@hcf-hawaii.org). A philanthropic advisor can help you with your philanthropic plans.



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