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## **Paso Robles High School Seniors Earn Nearly \$1 Million in Scholarships and Education Benefits**

PASO ROBLES, Calif. — Seventy members of the Paso Robles High School Class of 2026 were recognized Wednesday evening during the school's annual Scholarship Awards Night, earning a combined \$976,548 in scholarships and education benefits to support their futures after graduation.

The total includes \$358,800 in scholarships awarded by local organizations, businesses, foundations, memorial funds, and community groups, as well as \$617,748 in Montgomery GI Bill education benefits awarded to three graduating seniors pursuing military service and higher education.

Among the evening's largest contributors was The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County, which awarded \$80,450 in scholarships to Paso Robles High School seniors.

The annual Scholarship Awards Night celebrates students who have distinguished themselves through academic achievement, leadership, community involvement, perseverance, career readiness, and service. Scholarship recipients were selected by sponsoring organizations based on criteria aligned with each award's unique mission and purpose.

"Scholarship Awards Night is one of the most meaningful celebrations of the year because it highlights both the accomplishments of our students and the remarkable generosity of our community," said Paso Robles High School Principal Michael Susank. "Every scholarship represents someone who believes in these students and wants to help them pursue their goals. We are incredibly grateful to the many organizations and individuals who continue to invest in the future of our graduates."

The scholarships and education benefits awarded this year were made possible through the generosity of the following organizations, businesses, foundations, memorial funds, and community partners:

- AgWest Farm Credit
- Alan D. Stephenson Memorial Scholarship
- American Association of University Women – Academic
- American Association of University Women – AVID
- Bearcats in Business
- Bitti and Brynn Foundation – Miles of Smiles
- Buck-Moyer Family
- Burt W. and Virginia Polin ELKS Bureau Scholarship
- California Association of Winegrape Growers
- California School Employees Association Chapter 254
- Chiado Trust Scholarship
- The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County
- David B. Gianas Memorial Scholarship
- El Pollo Loco / SONIC
- Helen and Ronald Dunin Legacy Scholarship
- John and Barbara Wolcott Memorial Scholarship
- John S. Renner Memorial Scholarship
- Jose Mora Memorial



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Karina Almaguer Memorial  
Kristin Smart Scholarship  
Linda Klintworth  
Lions Club – Ole Viborg  
Mike Bland and Michele Tucker Memorial  
Montgomery GI Bill Education Benefits  
Paso Robles Housing Authority  
Paso Robles Pickleball – Dick Beiden Health and Wellness  
Paso Robles Public Educators  
Paso Robles Republican Women Federated  
Paso Robles Wine Country Alliance  
PRHS Band Backers – Courter Family Memorial  
PRHS FFA Boosters  
Reese Lewis Memorial  
Richard J. Weyhrich Leadership Scholarship  
Richard M. Fisher Memorial Scholarship  
Rotary Club of Paso Robles  
San Miguel Chamber Car Show  
Sanora G. Anderson Memorial  
Santa Lucia Rockhounds  
Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara  
SkillsUSA Chapter 211  
Stansbury Family Attendance Scholarship  
St. William's Youth Leadership Scholarship  
Success Charities  
Travel Paso  
U.S. Military Scholarships  
Vineyard Team – Juan Nevarez Memorial Scholarship  
William F. Stroud Jr. Scholarship  
Yinghsia Shih Li Memorial Scholarship  
Zorn Blythe Aviation Scholarship

Paso Robles High School extends its sincere appreciation to each donor, sponsor, and organization whose generosity helps make higher education, career training, and military service opportunities more accessible for local students.

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Paso Robles Joint Unified School District serves more than 6,400 students across northern San Luis Obispo County. Guided by its core values of integrity, accountability, collaboration, innovation, compassion, and belonging, PRJUSD is committed to providing a safe, supportive environment where every student feels valued, empowered, and prepared to thrive.



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