

COF Announces Scholarship Winners for Academic Year 2011-12

Twelve deserving dependents of PHS Commissioned Officers have been awarded a total of \$9,800 in Scholarship money for the 2011-2012 academic year. Winners were chosen by a panel of PHS Officers. Congratulations to the following:



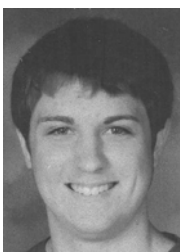
Marcy Mayes from McAlester, OK is the winner of the combined **Greater Los Angeles and CAPT James Minor Scholarship.**

She plans to attend Oklahoma State University to pursue a degree in Human Nutrition/Pre-Medical Sciences. Her COA sponsor is **CAPT Jill Anderson, USPHS.**



Ti'ona Smith from Brandywine, MD is the winner of the **Noah F. Gurski Memorial Scholarship.**

She is attending Salisbury University to pursue a degree in Information Systems. Her COA sponsor is **LCDR Latonia M. Ford, USPHS.**



Kevin Caldwell from Locust Grove, OK is the winner of the **Ronald Lessing Memorial Scholarship.**

He plans to attend Rogers State University. His COA sponsor is **LCDR Vickie Caldwell, USPHS.**



Alisa Chard from Anchorage, AK is the winner of the **DC Metro Branch Scholarship.**

She is attending Molloy College. Her COA sponsor is **CDR Michael Chard, USPHS.**

Lydia Hamstra from Tucson, AZ is the winner of the combined **Bemidji Branch and Aloha Branch Scholarship.**

She is attending Gonzaga University. Her COA sponsor is **CAPT Scott Hamstra, USPHS.**



Dakota Kinnes from Mason, OH is the winner of the combined **Baxer Family, Greater Texas Branch and Fort Detrick Branch Scholarship.**

He will attend Penn State, University of Michigan, Auburn or Clemson University. His COA sponsor is **CAPT Gregory Kinnes, USPHS.**



Cody Krepps from Tyronne, PA is the winner of the combined **Chicago Branch, Europe Branch and Fort Detrick Branch Scholarship.**

He will attend Juniata College. His COA sponsor is **LCDR James Krepps, Jr, USPHS.**

Karli West from Mesa, AZ is the winner of the combined **New England Branch, Mississippi Branch and Fort Worth Branch Scholarship.**

She is attending Brigham Young University. Her COA sponsor is **CDR Ronald West, USPHS.**



Deborah Backman from Wyoming, OH is the winner of the **Evergreen Branch Scholarship.**

She is attending Indiana University. Her COA sponsor is **LCDR Bonita D. Malit, USPHS.**



Tristan McGuire from Gaithersburg, MD is the winner of one of the two **Atlanta Branch Scholarships.**

He is attending the University of Southern

California, School of Architecture. His COA sponsor is **CAPT Marie Schroeder, USPHS.**



Tara Kavanaugh from Crofton, MD is the winner of the second **Atlanta Branch Scholarship.**

She is attending Towson University. Her COA sponsor is **CAPT Daniel Kavanaugh, USPHS.**

Christopher Walker from Alexandria, VA is the winner of the **COF Scholarship.**

He is attending George Mason University. His sponsor is **LCDR Melissa A. Walker, USPHS.**

This year's applicant's pool excelled beyond our expectations and Board of Trustees of the PHS Commissioned Officers Foundation extends heartfelt thanks to the Commissioned Officers Foundation Dependent Scholarship Selection Committee and congratulates them on their selections.

COF also wishes to thank the individuals and branches who donated to the Scholarship Program. This program could exist without their participation.

Scholarships are funded by individuals, including PHS officers both active and retired, COA Branches and other organizations for as little as \$250. Persons interested in contributing to the scholarship fund, want more information or whose dependents may wish to apply for an award are encouraged to contact Brian McSheffrey, the Foundation's Development Director at 1-866-366-9593. He can also be reached at bmcsheffrey@coaushps.org.