



PHCC Educational Foundation

Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors–National Association

PHCC Educational Foundation 2024 Scholarship Winners

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This year the PHCC Educational Foundation and our sponsors awarded 55 scholarships worth up to \$129,000 to apprentices and college students pursuing studies directly related to the plumbing-heating-cooling industry.

Congratulations to all our winners and thank you to the contractors donors and sponsors who make these awards possible! Sponsorships are provided by A.O. Smith, Bradford White Corporation, Delta Faucet Company, Ferguson Cares Foundation – HOLA Business Resource Group, InSinkErator, RIDGID, Scorpion Home Services, State Water Heaters, and SupplyHouse.com. Additionally, some awards are funded by the Texas and Massachusetts PHCC Auxiliaries, the PHCC Past National Officers, Bill Jones, Gerry Kennedy and by the generous donations made by PHCC contractors.



2024 Top Scholarship Winner – Valerie Butler

Valerie Butler of Anderson, IN is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Mechanical Skills Plumbing Apprenticeship School and was awarded a **\$10,000** Charles F. Hiley Memorial scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

“Words cannot express how thankful and appreciative I am to be awarded/receive the Charles Hiley Memorial scholarship. I have so much gratitude for your generosity to help not only me, but the plumbing apprentices and this growing industry. Thank you again.”

Aaron Dymek of Lakewood, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Orange, Riverside and San Bernadino Counties (ORSB) Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by A.O. Smith.

“I wanted to extend my heartfelt thanks for awarding me the scholarship for plumbing school. This support means a lot to me. I'm excited to continue learning and growing in this field, and your generosity has made that possible. Thank you again!”





Calen Reigner of Media, PA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Pennsylvania Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by A.O. Smith.

I am very grateful for the recognition and the donations for this award. This award is helping my future in this trade. It is also really helping me financially.

Jorge Estrada of Beaumont, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Bradford White.

"I share my deepest gratitude for the opportunity you have all granted receiving the scholarship. I have wanted the opportunity to give back to my company for all of the effort and support they have given me. My passion for the trades and to continue learning and growing has allowed me to serve and help the communities I've worked within. I plan to use my knowledge and education to share with those who are interested in a skill developed lifelong career."



Joshua Marshall of Emmaus, PA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Lehigh Valley Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Bradford White.

"Thank you to everyone that made this scholarship program available for students and adults looking to further their education. To the donors and sponsors I specifically like to thank you for gracing me with this opportunity to continue to make a career for myself and my family. As well as continue to grow and show my kids what hard work and dedication looks like and the fruits that come to you when you put your all into something. Thank you again to everyone words can't explain how grateful I am for this opportunity!"

Gabriel Salcido of Bakersfield, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC Apprenticeship program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Bradford White.

"I would like to thank the sponsors for awarding me this scholarship. I am very thankful and grateful to have earned it. I appreciate it so much to be a part of this scholarship. Thank you."





Jennifer Will of Plainfield, IN is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Mechanical Skills Plumbing Apprenticeship School and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Bradford White.

"I am beyond excited to be one of the 2024 PHCC Scholarship Winners this year. I'm starting my 4th year of school this month, and I really can't put into words how much of an impact starting a brand new career has had on my life. I get the opportunity to help and serve others daily, all while learning something new every day. I'm so honored to have the opportunity to share my story with others, and to know that I get to be a part of something that makes a difference is the greatest reward of all."

Your donations do the same thing! Your donations have a real impact. Your donations change lives for the better!!!"

Iliana Abarca of Los Angeles, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Los Angeles Trade Technical College and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"I really appreciate this beautiful opportunity, I am thankful for this."



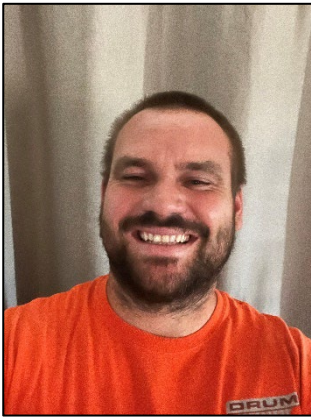
Jason Hargraves of Vallejo, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"Thank you for the scholarship to help fund my tuition at PHCC- ACCC. I could not be more grateful to be able to continue to pursue my goal and career. Thank you for making my dream and career obtainable."

John Hooper of Wayne, MI is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at MIAT College of Technology and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for awarding me a \$1,500 scholarship. Your generosity truly means the world to me. I wish I could find the right words to fully communicate the impact this award has on my life, but I just cannot do it justice. This scholarship will help lessen the financial burden of my education at MIAT, allowing me to focus more on my studies and gain valuable hands-on experience in HVAC. It is opportunities like this that make dreams attainable, and I am deeply grateful of your belief in my potential. Thank you."





Courtney Melody of San Diego, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC San Diego Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"I so much appreciate you for making this scholarship a possibility! You have truly made a difference in my life and allowed me to further my career in plumbing and the trades. I will take this gracious gift and make the most I can with it. Thank you."

Sara Nance of Lansdowne, PA is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Pennsylvania Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"Thank the donors and sponsors for helping me continue my studies in HVAC. I am very appreciative of the scholarship money as it will help me focus more on my studies and not have to worry about how I am going to have to pay for my schooling."

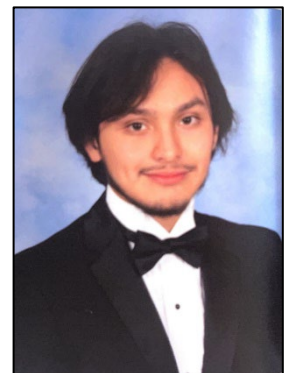


Mckenna O'Grady of Delavan Town, WI is studying Mechanical Engineering at University of Wisconsin - Madison and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"I am deeply honored to be supported by PHCC, and I want to assure you that I am committed to making the most of this opportunity. Your support not only aids in my educational journey, but also inspires me to give back to the community in the future, just as you have so generously done. My mom has been in this industry for 25+ years. I have seen all the good she has been able to do by helping others get access to water and teach students about water conservation and access. I truly appreciate your kindness and I will do my best to live up to my best potential."

Alejandro Picazo-Carlos of Dallas, TX is studying Business Management at University of Massachusetts at Amherst and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by Delta Faucet Company.

"I am deeply grateful for your generous support, which made it possible for me to receive this prestigious award. Your commitment to funding this program not only impacts my future but also ensures that future recipients can continue to benefit from these opportunities. Thank you for your investment in our success and for helping to keep this program thriving. Once again, thank you!"



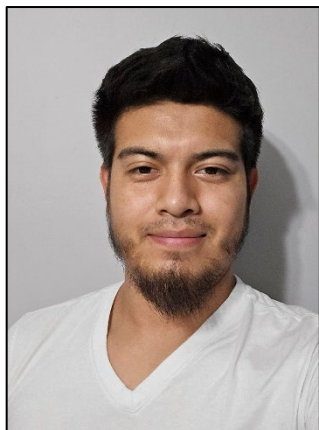


Manuel Figueroa of El Cajon, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of San Diego Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Ferguson Cares Foundation - HOLA Business Resource Group.

"I wanted to thank you for giving me the opportunity for a scholarship to assist with the cost of tuition. I have been in the plumbing trade for 2.5 years and I'm looking forward to learn the rules and regulations during my Apprenticeship Program. This scholarship will help me focus more learning the trade and getting better grades with less financial stress. Thank you!"

Andres Martinez of Santa Ana, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Ferguson Cares Foundation - HOLA Business Resource Group.

"I wouldn't have been able to continue my education without this scholarship. I appreciate your generosity and hope you all know you're making a difference in this industry. Thank you."

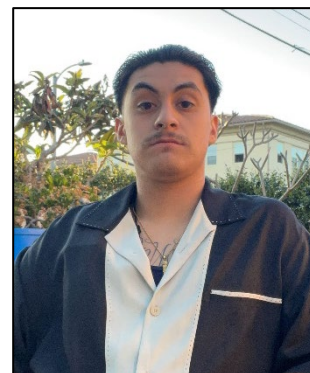


Oscar Rodriguez of Upper Darby, PA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Pennsylvania Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Ferguson Cares Foundation - HOLA Business Resource Group.

"I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to receive this financial assistance. This aid will greatly contribute to my professional development and enable me to concentrate on advancing my career. I am committed to making the most of this support and becoming a highly skilled and accomplished plumber. Thank you for your consideration and support."

Erick Salgado of Santa Ana, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Ferguson Cares Foundation - HOLA Business Resource Group.

"I want to give a big thank you to all the donors and individuals involved who made this possible. It truly is a blessing to be in this position and for the opportunity for me to grow and learn in this trade! This is only the beginning!"





Vitalino Acabal Garcia of Oakland, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of California Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by InSinkErator.

"I am honored to receive this award. I highly appreciate your consideration in choosing me as a candidate. I'm also blessed and motivated to continue pursuing this trade and make the most out of it. Thank you again!"

Zeke McNeill of Mint Hill, NC is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair with the PHCC of North Carolina Academy and was awarded a \$1,500 tuition + \$1,500 in tools scholarship sponsored by RIDGID Tool Company.

"Thank you so much for this wonderful opportunity to increase my knowledge and skills and achieve greater heights in my career!"



James Oliveira of Garden Grove, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 tuition + \$1,500 in tools scholarship sponsored by RIDGID Tool Company.

"Thank you so much for picking me. I'm so happy I'm going to school and learning plumbing. It changed my life!"

Jake Starck of Northampton, PA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Bucks County Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 tuition + \$1,500 in tools scholarship sponsored by RIDGID Tool Company.

"Thank you for this support. This will help as I continue my learning."

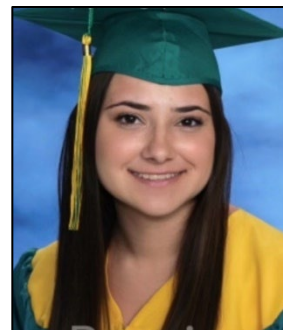


Rachel Austin of Brookhaven, GA is studying Business Management/Administration at Georgia College and State University and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Scorpion Home Services Marketing.

"I am honored to have been selected as the recipient of the PHCC Educational Foundation Scholarship. Your generous support will greatly assist me in pursuing my studies and achieving my career goals. Thank you for investing in my future and for believing in my potential. I am committed to making the most of this opportunity and contributing positively to the field."

Isabella Gazzola of Lynbrook, NY is studying Business Management at Adelphi University and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Scorpion Home Services Marketing.

"Thank you so much for granting me this award ! This scholarship will greatly help my family and I pay for my college education. I am so honored to be one of your 2024 recipients."



Houston Mann of Anniston, AL is studying Mechanical Engineering at Auburn University and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Scorpion Home Services Marketing.

"Thanks you all so much! Receiving this scholarship is such an honor and will help me immensely on my academic journey."

Todd Daskalov of Costa Mesa, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by State Water Heater.

"I would like to thank all of the sponsors and board members for choosing me in the scholarship. Your sponsorship is greatly appreciated, and is making my dreams become a reality. I thank all who had a part in helping fund my schooling."



Leonard Digiantomasso of Haverford, PA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Pennsylvania Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Sterling (A Kohler Company).

"I just want to thank all the donors and sponsors for this scholarship. With this generous donation I am able to continue schooling and pursue my goal of becoming a master plumber. I thank you for giving an older apprentice, like me the chance to further my plumbing career."

Jake Pehrson of La Habra, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Sterling (A Kohler Company).

"I am honored to receive a scholarship. I'd like to thank the sponsors and donors that made all of this possible. I will continue my education thanks to you guys."





Zachary Stewart of Riverside, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Sterling (A Kohler Company).

"Thank you very much for this opportunity, this helps me so much to further my education in the plumbing industry and to master my craft."

Nathan Telander of San Antonio, TX is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of San Antonio Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Sterling (A Kohler Company).

"I would like to say than you to all who are aiding me in my journey. With your help, I'll be a licensed plumber before I know it. This is my passion, and with hard work and dedication, I can pursue my passion and do well."



Jaren Brant of Forks, PA is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of PA Academy and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"We are deeply grateful for your generous support in making this award possible. Your contributions play a crucial role in advancing our mission and empowering those we aim to serve."

Michael Conway of Ann Arbor, MI is studying Construction Management at Michigan State University and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"Thank you so much to the PHCC donors and sponsors, I am proud to be a part of a company that is a member of the MI PHCC and hope to represent the PHCC and their sponsors well. Special thanks to SupplyHouse. Thanks again."





Caleb Hayden of Lisbon, NY is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at University of Northwestern Ohio and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"Thank you so much. I hope to make you proud and work my hardest to earn my degree."

Max Kuchar of Millstone, NJ is studying Business Management at Rutgers University New Brunswick and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"Thank you so much for this opportunity! This generous scholarship is helping make college more affordable, and I am forever grateful!"



Isaac Middleton of Fort Branch, IN is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at Ivy Tech Community College and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"Thank you to my boss Adam Meny and all my coworkers and thank you to the PHCC Foundation for funding my scholarship and helping me grow towards my future. This scholarship will be put to good use and I will make you all proud!"

Illia Moore II of Nolensville, TN is studying Construction Management at Middle Tennessee State University and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by SupplyHouse.com.

"Thank you PHCC Foundation for this incredible opportunity. Your generosity will allow me to focus on my studies without worrying about student debt. Instead of spending all my time outside of class working to afford school, I can now immerse myself fully in my education. This scholarship is more than just financial support; it is a chance to succeed and make the most of my college experience. Thank you, PHCC Foundation, for believing in me and being a stepping stone to helping me achieve my dreams. I promise to make the most of this opportunity. Thank you."





Matthew Whittaker of Bakersfield, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of California Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 Patty Jones Memorial scholarship sponsored by William Jones.

"Thank you so much! This scholarship is very appreciated!"

Matthew Dineen of Sussex, WI is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Waukesha County Technical College and was awarded a \$3,000 Gerry Kennedy Memorial scholarship by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I would like to express my deepest gratitude to all those who make this possible. I am honored to be selected for this scholarship. With my first child due to be born in less than a week, this financial aid will be a great blessing to me and my family. Thank you so much for all you do!"



Derek Hawk of Riverside, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the Gil Meyerowitz estate.

"Thank you so much ! The family and I couldn't be more grateful and blessed ! We thank you so much this is really going to help this year."

Jeffrey Crittendon of Indianapolis, IN is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Mechanical Skills Plumbing Apprenticeship School and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.



Ben Dykema of Glasgow, MT is studying HVACR Installation/Service and Repair at North Dakota State College of Science and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"Thank you all very much for this scholarship it will provide great opportunity for me to further my career and keep me in the trades!"

Steven Marriaga of New York, NY is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Long Island Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I want to express my deepest gratitude for your generosity and support in making this scholarship possible. Thanks to your contributions, highly motivated individuals like myself can afford to continue our education and advance in the trades. Your commitment to providing opportunities in this field is truly inspiring, and I see you as leaders who are carrying the torch to pave the way for the next generation. Your belief in my potential has fueled my determination to succeed, and I hope that one day, with the help of your donations, I can pay it forward to someone else in my shoes. Your support means the world to me, and I am honored to be a recipient of your kindness. Thank you once again for making a difference in my life and the lives of many others."

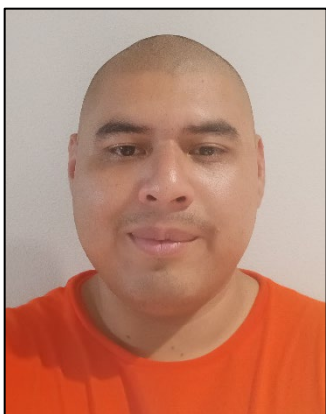


Corey Matzke of Fountain Valley, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"Thank you so much, I'm honored to be one of the students you all have chosen. I'm very excited to continue working and mastering my trade. This scholarship will allow me to invest in my tools and myself. My goal is to make all who have invested in me and my career very proud."

Adriana Morris of Sutton, MA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at Masters Plumbing and Gas School and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"Thank you so much for this opportunity and your amazing generosity. You are truly the reason I am able to keep going in my career and hopefully become licensed very soon! Your generosity will continue to affect others in great ways, you are helping to mold the future of the trades!"



Robert Urzua of La Habra, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I'd like to thank those who have made my future education possible. The excitement and passion for a new goal has once again been brought to me for my journey to become a licensed Plumber through PHCC. I am now one step closer to reaching a Journeyman License and achieving more knowledge on the plumbing trade that has given me so much that one day I will be able to give back."

Desmond Norris of Sykesville, MD is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Maryland Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I am so incredibly grateful to have been awarded the PHCC Foundation Scholarship. This scholarship means the world to me. It will allow me to focus on my studies and continue pursuing my passion for plumbing. I've always been dedicated to my education, and I'm proud of my achievements, including successfully completing my first year and going into my second year of school. With this scholarship, I'm excited to continue my journey and work towards my goal of becoming a master plumber. I'm forever grateful and thankful for this opportunity and your generosity from the bottom of my heart."



Zack Wagner of Upper, NJ is studying the HVACR Fast Track Technician Program with the PHCC of NJ Academy and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"Thank you so much for everything you have provided to help myself and the many people like me to educate and grow in our field!"

Scott Warrington of Reisterstown, MD is studying Plumbing Installation /Service and Repair at the PHCC of Maryland Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for your generous support and contributions, which have made it possible for me to receive this award. Your commitment to supporting students in their educational endeavors is truly inspiring and has had a profound impact on my academic journey."

This award will significantly aid me in pursuing my plumbing studies, allowing me to deepen my understanding of the industry and prepare for a successful career. Your generosity has not only provided financial assistance but also motivated me to strive for excellence in my studies and future endeavors. Thank you once again for your kindness and support. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunities this award has opened up for me, and I am committed to making the most of it."





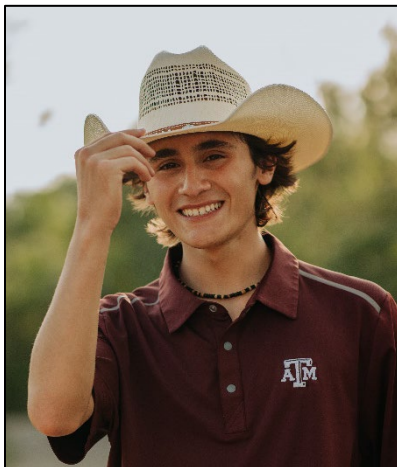
Mitchell Wescott of Cresco, PA is studying Building Automation Engineering Technology at Pennsylvania College of Technology and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Educational Foundation.

"I am extremely grateful and honored to have been chosen as a recipient of the PHCC Scholarship. Winning this scholarship means a great deal to me and it will greatly aid me in pursuing my degree. Receiving this scholarship has not only lifted a significant financial burden off my shoulders, but it has also inspired me to continue striving towards excellence in my studies and personal growth."

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the scholarship committee and to the donors who have made this scholarship possible. I am truly grateful for this amazing opportunity and I will do my best to make the most of it."

Robert Ivil III of Rockland, MA is studying Mechanical Engineering at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by PHCC of Mass. Auxiliary.

"Thank you so much for this wonderful scholarship. This award will greatly help to advance me along my academic journey, and to achieve my lifelong goals. Because of your support, I will be able to fund my education and graduate with a degree I have been working hard to get. This award has taken a huge burden off of my shoulders and will allow me to focus more on school and less on finances. Once again, thank you for this award and I am forever grateful for your contribution to my success."

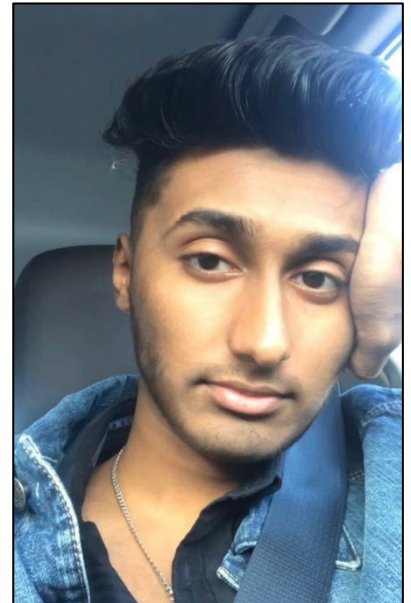


Daniel Vela of Mission, TX is studying Construction Management at Texas A&M University and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC of Texas Auxiliary and PHCC Educational Foundation.

"Thank you for the opportunity to continue my pursuit of my Texas A&M Degree. I will continue to work to be a first generation graduate in my family and it is all thanks to you all. Many blessings and I receive this scholarship with the utmost privilege and honor."

Muhammad Siddiqui of Lynbrook, NY is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC of Long Island Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Past National Officers.

"I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for your generous support, which made my award possible. Your commitment to recognizing and fostering talent has not only provided me with this incredible opportunity but has also inspired me to strive even harder in my pursuits. This award will significantly impact my personal and professional growth, and I am honored to be among this year's recipients. The resources and recognition that come with this award will undoubtedly propel me forward, and I am excited about the doors it will open. Your generosity is the backbone of this program, and I want to acknowledge the vital role you play in making such achievements possible. Thank you for believing in the potential of individuals like myself and for investing in our futures."



Christopher Avrams of Garden Grove, CA is studying Plumbing Installation/Service and Repair at the PHCC ORSB Apprentice Program and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship sponsored by the PHCC Past National Officers.

"Thank you so much for this scholarship! I am grateful for being able to participate in this program to help me further my career!"

About PHCC Educational Foundation

The PHCC Educational Foundation, a partnership of contractors, manufacturers, and wholesalers, was founded in 1987 to serve the plumbing-heating-cooling industry by preparing contractors and their employees to meet the challenges of a constantly changing marketplace. Students interested in pursuing a career in the plumbing or HVACR professions are invited to visit phccfoundation.org/scholarships for information on our scholarship program.

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