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Iowa Credit Union Foundation Awards \$23,000 to Scholarship Winners

DES MOINES – The Iowa Credit Union Foundation (ICUF) recently awarded scholarships to eight high school students and four post-high school students as recipients of its Warren A. Morrow Memorial Scholarship.

The annual scholarship program is in memory of the late Warren Morrow and is open to credit union members pursuing or completing post-secondary education.

This year's post-high school recipients are:

- \$2,000 to Rylie Johnson, a member of Community 1st Credit Union who currently attends Northwest Missouri State University
- \$2,000 to Adrienne Supple, a member of DuTrac Community Credit Union who currently attends Allen College
- \$2,000 to Emma Johnson, a member of DuTrac Community Credit Union who currently attends Central College
- \$2,000 to Erin Anderson, a member of Ascentra Credit Union who currently attends Western Illinois University

This year's eight high school senior recipients are:

- \$3,000 to Sarah Cunningham, a member of First Federal Credit Union and a graduating senior at Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids, IA
- \$3,000 to Bailey Vifian, a member of Linn Area Credit Union and a graduating senior at Thomas Jefferson High School, Cedar Rapids, IA
- \$2,000 to Ella Popenhagen, a member of Collins Community Credit Union and a graduating senior at John F. Kennedy High School, Robins, IA
- \$2,000 to Gabrielle Chiodo, a member of Serve Credit Union and a graduating senior at Dowling Catholic High School, West Des Moines, IA
- \$1,500 to Alyssa Reynolds, a member of Alliant Credit Union and a graduating senior at Vinton-Shellsburg High School, Shellsburg, IA
- \$1,500 to Alyssa Beckwith, a member of Financial Plus Credit Union and a graduating senior at Southeast Polk High School, Des Moines, IA
- \$1,000 to Abigail Schaber, a member of Dupaco Community Credit Union and a graduating senior at Galena High School, Galena, IA
- \$1,000 to Erin Gibson, a member of Veridian Credit Union and a graduating senior at Ankeny Centennial High School, Ankeny, IA

Applicants completed an online entry form and answered an essay question. This year's question was:

Credit Unions are financial cooperatives that operate from the philosophy of "people helping people." Service to members and the community is an integral part of the credit union difference. Share how your credit union demonstrates the people helping people philosophy in action. Also, share an experience of

when you contributed your time and/or talents in the community and what you learned from that experience.

“The mission of the Iowa Credit Union Foundation (ICUF) is to empower people and communities to achieve financial well-being by championing the credit union philosophy of ‘people helping people,’” said Jaimie Miller, Executive Director, ICUF. “We do this through critical programs such as the Warren A. Morrow Memorial Scholarship. This year’s scholarship finalists demonstrated a strong passion for their credit union and outstanding knowledge on the essay topic.”

Founded in 1995 as the philanthropic arm of the Iowa Credit Union League, the Iowa Credit Union Foundation's (ICUF) primary focus is the championing the financial well-being of Iowans through credit unions. ICUF seeks to carry out its mission to empower people and communities to achieve financial well-being by championing the credit union philosophy of people helping people, through its various programs, grants and scholarships. For more information, visit www.IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org.

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