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Cerritos College Foundation Awards Over \$80K to Students This Semester

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NORWALK, Calif. – December 16, 2019 - The Cerritos College Foundation awarded \$19,300 in scholarships to 27 Cerritos College students at its scholarship reception on December 5. In addition to the scholarships awarded at the reception, the Foundation awarded \$62,650 to students during the fall semester, bringing the total of awarded scholarships in fall to \$82,450.

Student speaker Nancy Blanco, recipient of the John Moore 1st Step Scholarship, shared words of gratitude to the donors, “thank you for your generosity and support. I promise you we will never forget that there was someone giving us that helping hand, supporting us when we needed it the most. We will continue to work very hard, and eventually give something back to others.”



John Moore and Nancy Blanco

Tom Jackson, chair of Cerritos College Foundation Board of Directors and a long-time supporter of Cerritos College students congratulated the recipients, “as a retired Cerritos College faculty member and former member of the Cerritos College Board of Trustees, it is especially meaningful to meet a new generation of Falcons who are committed to their education. It brings us tremendous joy to recognize their hard work and accomplishments.”

Congratulations to the scholarship recipients:

\$500 Alpha Business Services Scholarship

Jose Del Cid, Downey

\$1800 Carmen Solis Pratt Scholarship

Diana Navarro, Signal Hill

\$1000 Cerritos College Foster Youth Scholarship

Elvira Laguna, Whittier

Maria Peralta, Fullerton

\$1000 Cerritos College Veterans Scholarship

Paul Ha, Norwalk

\$1000 Cheryl Epple Memorial Scholarship

Tran Pham, Lakewood
Sunny Saldana, Norwalk

\$500 Darleene Gomez Memorial Scholarship

Luis Barragan, Downey
Victoria Valencia, Norwalk

\$750 Dr. Antonio & Providence Memorial Scholarship

Jennie Tuliao, Downey

\$250 Extraordinary Student Award

Zion Flores, Compton
Chinonso Nlemuwa, Bellflower

\$500 Guadalupe Sanchez De Hernandez Scholarship

Edgar Chavarria, Maywood

\$500 Harper's Intertwining ASL Scholarship

Alexandria Yellowhair, Downey

\$1000 Jean O. Michael Scholarship

Hemat Aly, Downey

\$500 John Moore 1st Step Scholarship

Nancy Blanco, Lakewood
Jennifer Camacho, Whittier
Katherine Trujillo, Downey

\$500 Marijean Piorkowski Scholarship

Qiuzi Peng, Los Alamitos

\$500 Mark & Barnett Chen Scholarship

Lauren Yapo, Brea

\$500 McKay Family Scholarship

Nicole Lin, Downey

\$500 Nega Family CIS Scholarship

Maxwell Liu, Long Beach

\$500 Perez-Medrano Scholarship

Ixchel Perez, South Gate
Nishi Rauth, Artesia

\$500 Southeast District Bar Association Scholarship

Francisca Lezama, Long Beach

\$750 Susan & Ronald Crowell MD Scholarship

Zinat Banjo, Bellflower

\$1000 Susan Bennion-Boyle Memorial Scholarship

Hemat Aly, Downey

\$500 UndocuScholars Scholarship

Carlos Diaz, Norwalk

Francisca Lezama, Long Beach

Cerritos College students may apply for spring 2020 scholarships beginning January 1, 2020 at <https://cerritoscf.org>.

About the Cerritos College Foundation: *The Cerritos College Foundation, a non-profit organization, serves as a charitable vehicle for the community, individuals and alumni, to assist with financial support of Cerritos College beyond that which state funding supports. Visit the Foundation online at <https://cerritoscf.org>.*

About Cerritos College: *Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at <http://www.cerritos.edu>.*

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