

Chevron Mentors Kennedy-King Scholars



Chevron has been both a major contributor to Kennedy-King, and a mentor to our scholars through internships and training programs. Nubia Donikian, a 2019 Kennedy-King Graduate Scholar and a summer 2019 Chevron intern (2nd from the right), joins Chevron's Somos Employee Network to host a networking event at Chevron in August 2019 (see page 3).

Kennedy-King Memorial College Scholarship Fund

The Scholarship Fund is a living memorial to the social equity dreams of Dr. Martin Luther King and Senator Robert F. Kennedy. We are entering our **52nd year** of pursuing our mission of providing scholarships to scholars who belong to a minority group under-represented in the California College and University System, principally those that identify as socially, economically, or educationally disadvantaged. We draw our scholars from the three Contra Costa community colleges so they can transfer to a four-year institution and complete their education. The exceptional vision of the Founding Members has been recognized by the greater Contra Costa community through their sustaining and increasing support of Kennedy-King.

We Thank You!

On May 17, 2019 Kennedy-King awarded an additional **31 scholarships** to scholars from Contra Costa College, Diablo Valley College, and Los Medanos College, who join the ranks of 847 scholarship recipients Kennedy-King has helped in our 51 years. The value of scholarships awarded to-date is now **over \$5.1 million**. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the generosity and continuing support of our donors.

The 2019 Kennedy-King Memorial Scholarship Recipients



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Meet our Kennedy-King Scholars

Meet more Kennedy-King Scholars at www.kennedyking.org.

SHANICE BLAKE



As a peer tutor for MESA and WinS (Women in STEM), Shanice remains steadfast in her goal of spreading awareness of underrepresentation of women in STEM careers.

Shanice Blake is a Los Medanos College graduate who is attending the University of California, Davis. She is majoring in biomedical engineering.

ALEX PIZARRO



Alex Pizarro has overcome many challenges but is steadfast in his responsibility to serve as a role model for his younger sisters. He has been a volunteer at Sutter Delta Medical Hospital and worked at the Transfer and Career Services Center on the Los Medanos campus.

Alex Pizarro attended Los Medanos College has transferred to Dominican University to pursue a Bachelor of Science in nursing. His eventual goal is to become a nurse practitioner.

MARTHA CARTER

A re-entry student, Martha plans to use her voice as an agent for social change. After overcoming tremendous challenges throughout her life, she is inspired to pursue her dreams with a relentless spirit and a role model for her family and community.

Martha Carter attended Los Medanos College majoring in journalism, communications, and theatre. She has transferred to the University of California, Berkeley. Upon completion of her Bachelor of Arts degree, she intends to work towards her PhD.



REGALIA SCHOLARSHIP

Edmund L. Regalia Scholarship for Continuing Students

The Regalia Scholarship is an exciting addition to the opportunities offered to Kennedy-King eligible students who are still in community college. Initiated in 2017-18 the Regalia Scholarship supports those students who are most at-risk of leaving college after their first year, most often due to the pursuit of work that provides for their family. The scholarship offers assistance for tuition and books, but also wraps around unmet needs like rent, food or transportation.

- Wendy C. – “My dad and I are the only workers in our household of 5. My dad doesn’t have the best job, especially during the rainy season. I used the Regalia Scholarship award to pay for books, tuition, notebooks, gas and a parking permit. The award is not just one less worry for me, but also one less worry for my father as well.”
- DeAngela F. – “I have had some life challenges that may have deterred the straight road I saw myself heading down, but it did not take away my desire to help the world through science. The Regalia Scholarship will help me bridge current financial challenges that could have inhibited my pursuit of my passion for science.”

Meet More Current Scholars

Meet more Kennedy-King Scholars at www.kennedyking.org.

STEPHANIE RICO

A desire to raise her young daughter outside of the poverty Stephanie grew up in was the motivation to enroll at Contra Costa College. She received a Kennedy-King Scholarship in 2015.

Stephanie Rico is a single mother and a first-generation Latina who graduated from UC-Davis with a degree in Mathematical Analysis and Operations Research in 2018. She is currently pursuing an MS in Statistics from CSU-East Bay.



ADRIANA VARELA

Adriana attended both Diablo Valley College and Los Medanos College and maintained a 4.0 GPA. She has transferred to the University of California, Irvine to pursue her degree in chemical engineering.

Adriana Varela's career goal is to be an environmental and chemical engineer and research eco-friendly alternatives to harmful human activities. Her ultimate goal is to receive a PhD. in chemical engineering.



A Day at Chevron: Look Before You Leap!

Chevron, across all of its locations worldwide, desires to both promote and to benefit from diversity and inclusivity in its workforce. With their corporate headquarters in San Ramon Chevron is a natural partner for Kennedy-King. In August 2019 Chevron's San Ramon Somos Employee Network--a group of dedicated Latin American and Hispanic employees at Chevron who work together to support each other's career development and to organize community engagement projects--hosted a networking program for Kennedy-King and Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley college scholarship students.

Ose Oseguera (2nd from the left), a 1988 Kennedy-King Scholarship recipient, a current member of the Kennedy-King Board of Directors, and General Manager of Chevron's Shared Services organization, joined the par-



ticipants as the keynote speaker. The event provided our scholarship recipients with a view into working for an energy company. It was a big success!

If your firm is interested in establishing a mentorship relationship with Kennedy-King scholarship recipients we encourage you to do so by contacting info@kennedyking.org.

Kennedy King Alumni: A History of Great Outcomes

Studies have shown that persistence, energy, discipline and focus correlate to success. The Kennedy-King alumni featured are testament to these characteristics and also have a strong commitment to community.

JOSE ALVAREZ



- A 2014 Kennedy-King Frank & Kathy Gouveia Scholar from Los Medanos College;
- Transferred to UCLA where he received his Bachelor's degree in Sociology in 2016. Carried a 3.6 grade-point average;
- Affiliated with Teach for America while at UCLA in order to provide a meaningful education to students from underrepresented communities and to address educational inequality;
- Began his teaching career as a 6th Grade Multiple Subjects Teacher in Richmond, where he spent three-years;
- Recently returned to his hometown of Pittsburg to assume a position as a 4th Grade Multiple Subjects teacher.

LUIS CORTES



- Luis is a 2019 Kennedy-King Chevron Scholar from Diablo Valley College;
- He has transferred to the Haas School of Business at the University of California-Berkeley;
- His career is already underway even as he completes his education at Haas:
 - ◇ Among the 4% of applicants named a Forbes Under 30 Scholar and chosen to attend the Forbes' 2019 Under 30 Summit in October 2019;
 - ◇ Selected to represent the University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business at Goldman Sachs' 2nd Annual Hispanic and Latino Leadership Summit in New York City this last summer!;
 - ◇ Spent the summer of 2019 as a Hedge Fund Summer Analyst with Kingsford Capital focusing on both quantitative and qualitative research;
 - ◇ Spent six-months in 2018 as an Equity Research Intern at Penserra Partners in Orinda;
- Luis loves finance, technology, and empowering other people to better themselves through education of all forms. He occasionally rests too!

More Alumni: A History of Great Outcomes

DOMINGO DA ROSA



- A Kennedy-King 2016 Frank & Kathy Gouveia scholar from Los Medanos College;
- Graduated from CSU-Sacramento with a dual degree in psychology and criminal justice;
- Compiled a 3.76 grade-point average
- Recently started his career on the staff at Deuel Vocational Institute, Tracy;
- Domingo and his girlfriend recently purchased a home in the area;
- Domingo expressed his gratitude for the help from Kennedy-King, and hopes to give back to the organization in the future.

ZILOSE LYONS



"The Kennedy-King Scholarship was instrumental in making it possible to afford UC Berkeley. It is the gift that keeps giving today because of the opportunity to help others succeed as well."

— Zilose Lyons

- Kennedy-King Scholarship Recipient 2007- 2009
- Attended Contra Costa Community College. Earned an AA in Liberal Arts
- Graduated from UC Berkeley in 2009 with Bachelor of Arts in International Development Studies and minor in Global Poverty and Practice. Focused studies on Africa and health
- Joined the Center for Emerging and Neglected Diseases (CEND) at UC Berkeley in 2010 as a program manager.
- Helped CEND implement several programs including a science research mentorship program for under-represented students in the biological sciences by improving their attractiveness for science PhD candidacies across the country.
- Helped CEND develop and launch a program, the Alliance for Global Health and Science for scientific capacity-building in developing countries.
- Was promoted to be the Director for Diversity Initiatives and International Partnerships at CEND
- Has participated in meetings with the UC Berkeley Chancellor on best practices for improving diversity in the biological sciences majors.

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SAVE THE DATE!

The 2020 Kennedy-King Scholarship Awards Dinner will be held on Friday, May 15, 2020 at the Hilton Hotel in Concord. Take this opportunity to meet the next class of Kennedy-King Scholars!



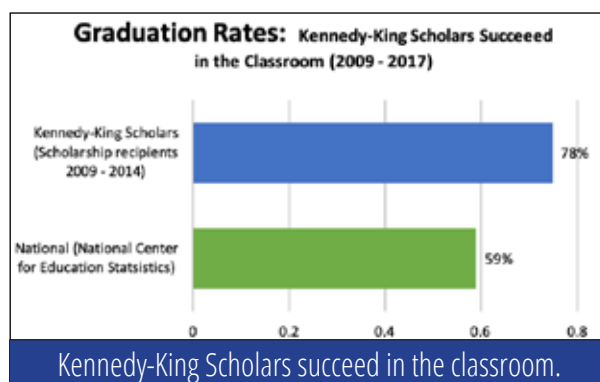
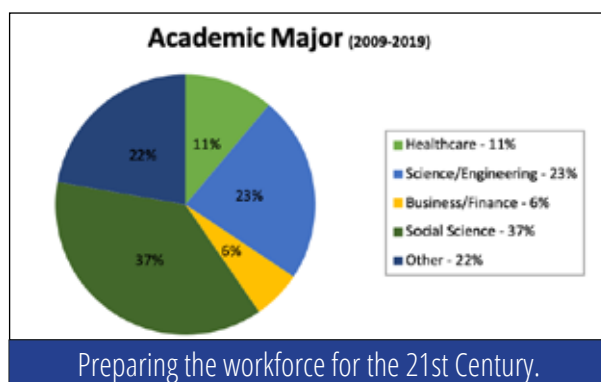
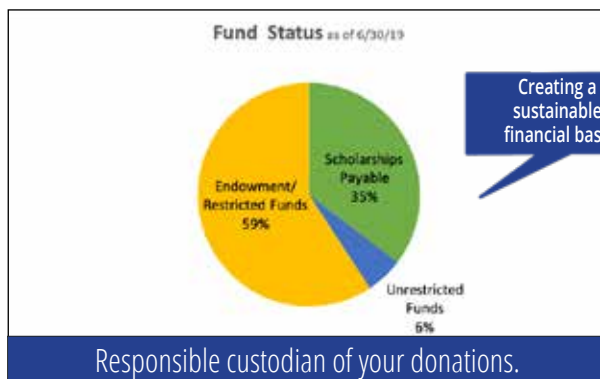
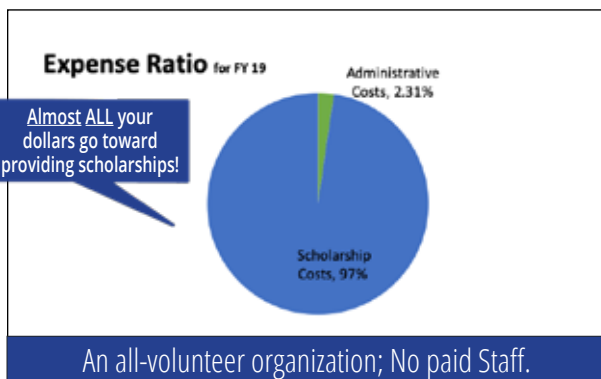
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