

# KENNEDY-KING MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND





**DANIEL PONCE** 

As we enter our 47th year, the Kennedy-King Board of Directors wishes to thank you for the many years of support. While speaking to the Richmond Rotary Club recently Daniel Ponce, a 2007 Kennedy-King scholar, captured the value of your investment:

"I certainly benefited from the Kennedy-King scholarship. Without it I would not have been able to afford my final years of college, and would not have achieved my career path in property management. More important than the financial assistance, however, was the belief by the Kennedy-King donors that I was worthy of investing in. That belief sustained me as I completed my college degree."

On May 16, 2014 Kennedy-King awarded 30 scholarships (below). These scholars, from Contra Costa College, Diablo Valley College & Los Medanos College, join the ranks of the 683 scholarships recipients Kennedy-King has helped. The value of our scholarships now exceeds \$3.5 million. We thank you for your generosity and continuing commitment to providing a better future.

### Major donors to Kennedy-King include:

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## TO CONTINUE TO HELP:

Kennedy-King donations may be by mail at Kennedy-King Memorial College Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 2643, Martinez, CA 94553, or on line at www.kennedyking.org.



THE 2014 KENNEDY-KING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

## Meet some of our 2014 Kennedy-King Scholars



"It has been an honor to be a Kennedy-King scholar as an undergraduate and now as a medical student. The support and trust of donors in helping students achieve our dreams strengthens our commitment to work and advocate for underserved populations and communities."

**LESLEY LARA**, Graduate Scholar; Undergraduate scholar in 2006 (Contra Costa College); Graduate of the University of California with a degree in Molecular and Environmental Biology; Currently pursuing a medical degree and a Master's in Public Health at the University of California-Irvine, School of Medicine



"My two daughters love it that I have returned to school. They help and encourage me; and my 11-year-old competes with me!"

**TIFFANY PATTERSON**, graduate of Los Medanos College, Majoring in Sociology at Cal State-East Bay



"I've always enjoyed math and physics and I look forward to the challenge of pursuing a Mechanical Engineering degree."

**FIONA PIZZARO**, a Diablo Valley College graduate, now attending Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo; Majoring in Mechanical Engineering



"As a former incarcerated person I am in a unique position to advocate and remove barriers to people coming out of prison."

**CLARENCE FORD**, former resident of the California penal system; Graduate of Contra Costa College; Sociology major at the University of California

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

## Kennedy-King Scholars – A History of Great Outcomes

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



#### **TEPHANY JONES**

"I am proud of my work in affordable housing. Achieving my career goals would not have been possible without the help of Kennedy-King and its supporters."

- •A 2007 Kennedy-King Scholar from Contra Costa College;
- Received a BA in Social Work from the University of California:
- Masters of Social Work degree with a concentration in Community Organization, Planning and Administration from USC;
- Was a Dean Leadership Scholar at USC; &
- Currently working in the affordable housing field as an advisor to youth in a residential program, and chronically homeless veterans.



#### REGINA AMOS

"I am doing well in my chosen career of providing services to troubled youth. I owe a debt of gratitude to Kennedy-King and its donors for making this possible."

- A Kennedy-King 2001 Swarts Scholar from Contra Costa College;
- BA in Psychology from Argosy University in 2009;
- As a student co-authored two books: "Change Your Life—The 90-Day Experience", and "When Believers Become De-

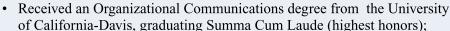
pressed."

- Currently a Health & Wellness Case Manager at Youth Uprising in Oakland:
- Active in her church where she is a Sunday School Superintendent; &
- Active as a speaker at women's symposiums in the Bay Area that promote academics, health and wellness, and employment.

#### DANIEL BADIALI

"My determination and work ethic, when combined with the Kennedy-King support, was the key to my educational and professional success."

- A Kennedy-King 2010 Contra Costa Times Scholar from Diablo Valley College;
- Worked his way through DVC as an ESL Supplemental Instructional Leader;



- Currently works as a Legal Coordinator for Meyers Corporation, US, the nation's largest cookware company; and as Director of Investor Relations for Blue Mountain Enterprises; &
- Attending Law School at John F. Kennedy University.

#### KATHY MADRID

"Only through developing my own sense of community did I discover that helping others was where I receive the most satisfaction."

- A Kennedy-King 2007 Regalia Scholar from Los Medanos College;
- Graduated from UC Davis in 2009 with a BA degree in Clinical Psychology and a minor in Law;
- Worked with Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU), a support group for parents with children with disabilities;
- Returned to school and received a Masters of Clinical Psychology from Alliant International University in 2012; &
- Intends to pursue a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Alliant





## Kennedy-King – A Model of Financial Efficiency and Positive Outcomes

Thanks to our generous donors and volunteers, Kennedy-King is a model of economic efficiency and positive outcomes.

