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### **Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation Announces Application Deadline for Scholarship Program**

*Annual Fashion Show Sale and Dinner Cancelled; New Virtual Event To Be Announced Soon*

Coachella, CA (June 3, 2020) - The Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation (TAMSF) announced that it is continuing to accept scholarship applications for Fall 2020. The scholarships are granted to recipients who are full-time post-secondary or graduate students with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher and who will be attending community college, university, or a technical school. Scholarships are awarded to enrolled tribal members of any tribe across the United States, and/or non-native students from the Coachella Valley and the Morongo Basin. Individual scholarships range from \$500 - \$5,000. All applications must be mailed in and postmarked no later than July 15, 2020. To download the 2020 scholarship application, go to [www.theresamike.org](http://www.theresamike.org). For more information call Makeyli Marroquin at (760) 775-2263 or send an email to [TAMSF@29palmsbomi-nnsn.gov](mailto:TAMSF@29palmsbomi-nnsn.gov)

The Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation has partnered with OneFuture Coachella Valley, Women Leaders Forum (WLF) and Southern California Edison (SCE) to reach as many students as possible. Website information for our partners is available on our TAMSF website.

The annual Fashion Show Sale and Dinner, is the primary fundraiser to support the scholarship foundation. Originally set for Saturday June 27, 2020 in the Spotlight Showroom at Spotlight 29 Casino, the event was recently cancelled for the health and safety of the guests and volunteers due to COVID -19. In its place, TAMSF is planning a virtual fundraising event that will be held later this year. Details of this event will be announced shortly. They will resume their spectacular show in 2021.

“We are asking for support from the community to raise much needed financial resources to help many local students complete their educational dream,” said Makeyli Marroquin, Board Member of the Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation. “As we move forward together, we need community support more than ever as students adjust to new norms in their educational journey.”

To make donations to the foundation, send checks payable to TAMSF, 46-200 Harrison Place, Coachella, CA 92236. Donations are also available online at [www.theresamike.org](http://www.theresamike.org) via PayPal

The Foundation wishes to thank the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians and Spotlight 29 Casino for their ongoing support.

About the Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation

The Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation was established in honor of Theresa Mike's legacy and dreams. The Scholarship honors Theresa Mike's presence among us as young woman and a new mother, and honors her commitment to developing a sense of cultural richness, history and future for the people of her tribe, The Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians. Since it was created, the Foundation has awarded more than \$800,000 to help deserving scholars fund their educational dreams.

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