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Chamber of Commerce

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3 p.m. Monday, June 16**



## **CASH FOR C//LLEGE**

### **CHAMBER PRESENTS \$186,000 IN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS TO 125 L.A. AREA STUDENTS**

*Chamber, elected officials partner with Education Financing Foundation of California  
to reward participants in Cash for College project at Paramount Studios reception*

- WHAT:** Cash for College Scholarship Reception
- WHEN:** **Tuesday, June 20**, 6 - 8 p.m.
- WHERE:** Paramount Studios, 5555 Melrose Ave., Hollywood  
**All media must RSVP by 3 p.m. Monday** for security clearance and parking.
- WHO:** 125 L.A. area high school students and their families (*names & schools follow*)  
Los Angeles City Council President **Eric Garcetti**  
Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce Vice Chair **David Fleming**  
California Student Aid Commissioner **David Roth**  
Chamber V.P. of Education and Workforce Development **David Rattray**
- WHY:** In partnership with the Education Financing Foundation of California, the L.A. Area Chamber will award \$186,000 in college scholarships to 125 L.A. area high school students at the first-ever Cash for College Scholarship Awards Reception, sponsored by Paramount Studios and Wells Fargo. The scholarships are awarded to students who participated in the project's College and Career Convention last fall and the more than 60 Cash for College workshops held throughout the L.A. area this spring. In the program's four years, the workshops have helped over 65,000 L.A. students and families get free expert help on college and career opportunities and completing college financial aid forms. For more info on the project, visit <http://www.lacashforcollege.org>
- Most new jobs require a college education, and college graduates earn a million dollars more over a lifetime, on average, than those with only a high school diploma. College costs are rising, but many families don't know about financial aid that's available to them or how to access it. This project lets families know that when it comes to financial aid, there's something for everyone, regardless of age, income, grades or immigration status. Students who are taking that first step towards entering college will be honored Tuesday.

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# Congratulations to the 2005-06 Cash for College Scholarship Recipients!

## **\$2,500 Gold Scholarship Winners** *randomly selected from participants who attended Convention & workshop & completed financial aid forms.*

Jasmin Abdul, *Westchester High School*  
Jeremy Aldana, *Belmont High School*  
Jessica Alvarado, *John Marshall H.S.*  
Sharla Berry, *Westchester High School*  
Latonya Blake, *Wilson High School*  
Christina Chang, *Arroyo High School*  
Ismael Cruz, *Lincoln High School*  
Brenda Escobar, *Lincoln High School*  
Jasmyne Fine, *Westchester High School*  
Vilma Fuentes, *Carson High School*  
Alejandra Garcia, *John Marshall H.S.*  
Ashley Glaspie, *Westchester High School*  
Kourtnei Harris, *Pasadena High School*  
Caselyn Iglesias, *Carson High School*

Nancy Kem, *Carson High School*  
Olivia Kung, *Arroyo High School*  
Brenda Le Brane, *Reseda High School*  
Jessica Lee, *Marshall High School*  
Michelle Lopez, *Garfield High School*  
Anne Luu, *Arroyo High School*  
Yessenia Martinez, *Bell Gardens H.S.*  
Mario Mendez, *Wilson High School*  
Claudia Munguia, *Alhambra High School*  
Cassandra Orozco, *Alhambra H.S.*  
Galo Orquera, *Gardena High School*  
Cecilia Ortiz, *John Marshall High School*  
Josue Ortiz, *Lincoln High School*  
Jeanette Padilla, *Lincoln High School*

Gustavo Perez, *Wilson High School*  
Gladys Ramirez, *Lincoln High School*  
Diron Rivers, *Westchester High School*  
Domini Rolette, *Alhambra High School*  
Monica Ruiz, *Manual Arts High School*  
Roxana Ruvalcaba, *Inglewood H.S.*  
Wendy Salguero, *Hollywood High School*  
Nidia Sanguino, *Downtown Magnet H.S.*  
Deanna Thoi, *Arroyo High School*  
Jenny Tong, *Lincoln High School*  
Jasmine V. Wills, *Westchester H.S.*  
Jiehong Xu, *Sylmar High School*

## **\$1,000 Silver Scholarship Winners** *randomly selected from participants who attended a Cash for College workshop and completed financial aid forms.*

Francisco Acevedo, *Mary Star High School*  
Allonté Barakat, *Happy Valley Boarding School*  
Michael Barbee, *Carson High School*  
Jessica Barreto, *Burbank High School*  
Raul Bermudez, *Elizabeth Learning Center*  
Deborah A. Berrios, *University High School*  
Jason Brown, *Monrovia High School*  
Michele Castillo, *Banning High School*  
Angie Celis, *Canoga Park High School*  
Anai M. Chaidez, *San Fernando High School*  
Bryan Crosby, *Inglewood High School*  
Victoria Espinoza, *Leuzinger High School*  
Benjamin Flores, *Paramount High School*  
Jennifer Gallardo, *Chatsworth High School*  
Angelica G. Gameros, *Sylmar High School*  
Ana Garcia, *Allan Daily Continuation H.S.*  
Angelo Garcia, *Belmont High School*  
Kathy Garcia, *Lincoln High School*  
Mayra Garcia, *Mt. View H.S., El Monte*

Bravo Griselda, *Downtown Magnet H.S.*  
Francisco Isidoro, *Los Angeles High School*  
Gabrielle Jones-Butcher, *Westchester H.S.*  
Alma Juarez, *Bell High School*  
Azin Keyvani, *Santa Monica High School*  
George E. Knight, *King Drew Medical Magnet*  
Joseph Kumiyama, *Carson High School*  
Jaimie Li, *Wilson High School*  
Brandi Loper, *King Drew Magnet H.S.*  
Humberto Lopez, *Lynwood High School*  
Susana Lopez, *Garfield High School*  
Jazmine B. Madrigal, *Bassett High School*  
Juliana Martin  
Brenda Martinez, *Lynwood High School*  
Juanita Martinez, *Montebello High School*  
Flower Munguia, *Downey High School*  
Ankita Naik, *Hollywood High School*  
Steven Nguyen, *Birmingham High School*  
Atsuko Okatsuka, *Venice High School*

Marcjim Ongyaco, *Carson High School*  
Yaniv Ovadia, *Taft High School*  
Errin Perkins, *West High School, Torrance*  
Daisy Ramirez, *Polytechnic H.S., Sun Valley*  
Azael Rodriguez, *Jefferson High School*  
Julissa Rodriguez, *Santa Fe High School*  
Tatiana Sanchez, *Mark Keppel High School*  
Arusyak Sargsyan, *Los Angeles City College*  
Jeannette Solis, *Canoga Park High School*  
Joshua Solis, *Southgate High School*  
David Tiscareño, *Garfield High School*  
Benjamin Kellen Tom, *Palisades Charter H.S.*  
Jeanette Trejo, *South Gate High School*  
Judy Tuggerson  
Cesar Velasco, *Huntington Park High School*  
Pam Venegas, *San Pedro High School*  
Grace Wang, *Alhambra High School*  
Brittney Whitmore, *Lynwood High School*  
Ann Yang, *John Marshall High School*

## **\$1,000 Bronze Scholarship Winners** *randomly selected from participants who attended CFC Convention and completed financial aid forms.*

Leo Alvarado, *Verdugo Hills High School*  
Vanessa Alzamora, *Kennedy High School*  
Jessica Arevalo, *John F. Kennedy H.S.*  
Roshanak Basharzad, *Granada Hills Charter*  
Angelica Casapa - Leon, *John Marshall H.S.*  
Jose Castillo, *Jefferson High School*  
Daniel Chae, *Granada Hills Charter H.S.*  
Leslie Chautla, *Fremont High School*

Carmen Chavez, *Dorsey High School*  
Anna Cordova, *Manual Arts High School*  
Brenda Cuevas, *Gardena High School*  
Ashlee Garrett, *Inglewood High School*  
Andrea Gonzalez, *Jordan High School*  
Dawon Hooks, *Locke High School*  
Alexandra Jackson, *Westchester H.S.*  
Ashley Jones, *L.A. Adventist Academy*

Jhania Lantan, *Sherman Oaks CES*  
David Lee, *Harbor Teacher Prep High*  
Mireya Lopez, *Hollywood High School*  
Sentia Marutian, *Glendale High School*  
Diana Mendez, *John F. Kennedy H.S.*  
Nhien Nguyen, *Belmont High School*  
Brenda Rodriguez, *Van Nuys High School*  
Luis Zambrano, *Loyola High School*

## **Cash for College TV Show - \$1,500 Scholarship Winners** *selected from Convention participants and included in project TV show (more info on TV show at [www.cashforcollege.tv](http://www.cashforcollege.tv))*

Christopher M. Chrenko, *Cleveland High School*    Jessica Santiago, *Cleveland High School*