

Scholarship Recipients 2015-16

Dependent Children

Christina Cazares	Mara Lewis
Samantha Cortes	Sandy Lule
Tehya Elliott	Mark Macedo
Sidney Fern	Elizabeth Monroig
Erin Githens	Julia Nau
Matthew Gonzalez	Katrina Thompson
Mariah Houston	Charise Van Duin
Sabina Hills-Villalobos	Zaria Atkins
Sarah Johnson-Dean	

Members

Yasmine Baker	Brant Nishida
Cherina Betters	Charleswana Spikes
Tina Dang	Dawna Tully
Elvia Estrella	Mary Walton
Saadia Hameed	

Student CTA

Marsha Alisudjana	Suryanshi Pandya
Randy Ertll	Erika Quintero
Javier Gomez	Briana Valenzuela
Dora Lopez Mata	Teresa Youssofi
Sarai Olivares	

2016-2017 CTA Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Scholarship Committee

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The members of the committee are approved by the CTA Board of Directors and represent a broad cross section of racial and ethnic minority members.

2015-16 Scholarship Recipient

I frequently reflect on how many people, including Dr. King, paved the way to provide opportunities so we can all access education. In returning to school to pursue a doctorate degree, I'm always acknowledging that I am privileged to have this opportunity. This degree isn't just for me but for all those that sacrificed before me and all those that will come after me pushing for equity in education. It is my duty to continue that practice to encourage and support all students especially students of color so that social justice is achieved in our educational institutions. This scholarship has made a difference not only helping me with the cost of the program but also modeling for my students that scholarships are available to those that need the additional help. Without this scholarship, I know it would be extremely difficult to finish my studies and for that I am grateful to have been selected.

Elvia Estrella, CTA Member, Sweetwater C & G Association

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Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Scholarship



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Goals

The goal of the Fund is to encourage ethnic minority students to become educators, school nurses, school counselors or school therapists and to promote professional growth for ethnic minority teachers and ESP members. CTA recognizes the shortage of ethnic minority educators in California.

Total ethnic minority students – 75.28%

(2015-16 California Dept. of Education)

Total ethnic minority teachers – 31.0%

(2014-15 California Dept. of Education)

Fund

This scholarship is supported by voluntary contributions from the CTA membership and the CTA Foundation for Teaching and Learning. Scholarships vary each year depending on the amount of contributions and on the financial need of individual applicants. Past recipients have received up to \$6,000.



Eligibility

In order to be eligible, an applicant must be:

- Pursuing a degree, credential or certification for a **teaching-related career in public education** in an accredited institution of higher education
- A member of one of the following defined ethnic minority groups:
(African American/Black, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian/Pacific Islander or Hispanic)
- Enrolled for summer or fall of 2017

Applicants must also be one of the following:

- An active member of CTA
- A dependent child of an active, CTA/NEA-Retired, or deceased CTA member (per IRS ruling)
- An active member of Student CTA (SCTA)
In order to receive the scholarship, the active SCTA member **must** reside in California and maintain membership at the time of disbursement.

Scholarship funds must be used for education-related expenses only.

Deadline

Applications must be submitted online by 11:59 pm on Friday, February 17, 2017.

Documents that are received via fax will not be accepted. Scholarship recipients are announced in May.

More information on the application process and deadline is available at cta.org/scholarships.

Contribute to a Living Memorial

Any member or chapter may designate a memorial contribution to the CTA Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund. The bereaved is sent a notice which acknowledges a contribution to the fund in memory of the deceased and naming the donor. The contributor receives a receipt for use in preparing income tax deduction claims. Additional contributions may be made in honor of individuals and their achievements.

Applications

Scholarship applications are available online at cta.org/scholarships in October of each year.

Two (2) current letters of recommendation must be sent separately to:

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