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Realtor® Association of Pioneer Valley Awards 19 Scholarships to First-Year Students



L-R: Brendan Bailey (Chief Executive Officer, RAPV), Logan Fontaine, Aiden Poirer, Jasmine Hooper, Lila Roberts, Sharlyse Henshaw, Cheryl Malandrinos (President, RAPV), Christian Cruz, Sarah Malandrinos, Roza Niyazova, Alyssa Drumm, Lucy Postera, Ryan O'Neil, Olivia Parker, Declan Sears

Springfield, Mass. June 30, 2022 – This year marks the 48th year the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley (RAPV) has awarded scholarships to college-bound students. Nineteen students were awarded a total of eleven thousand, four hundred fifty dollars.

The scholarship recipients were honored at a banquet held on June 22, 2022, at Summit View in Holyoke, Mass. Since 1974, RAPV has awarded 462 students with over two hundred and thirty thousand dollars in scholarship funds.

Memorial scholarships were presented to three students. Sharlyse Henshaw and Olivia Parker were awarded the Cindy Ayre Memorial Scholarship, and Aiden Poirer received Christine Schepps Good Neighbor Memorial Scholarship. The Cindy Ayre Memorial Scholarship is given to students who are majoring in Political Science or women in business, and the Good Neighbor Memorial Scholarship is given to students with outstanding community service work.

The Ben Scranton honorary scholarship was presented to Alyssa Drumm. This scholarship is given to students majoring in the Arts.

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Congratulations to all the 2022 RAPV scholarship award recipients and their families:

- **Christian Bach** is a graduate of Southwick Regional High School. He will attend Plymouth State and major in Meteorology. He is the son of Amber and Christian Bach.
- **Sofia Carlson** is a graduate of Minnechaug High School. She will attend the University of Vermont and major in nursing. She is the daughter of David and Arva Carlson.
- **Christian Cruz** is a graduate of Chicopee High School. He will attend the University of St. Joseph and major in Digital Media and Communications. He is the son of Daisy and Victor Cruz.
- **Alyssa Drumm** is a graduate of Agawam High School. She will attend Quinnipiac University and major in Film and Media studies. Alyssa is also the recipient of the Ben Scranton honorary scholarship for the Arts. She is the daughter of Sue and John Drumm.
- **Logan Fontaine** is a graduate of Monson High School. He will attend Springfield College and major in Sports Management. He is the son of Scott and Maria Fontaine.
- **Sharlyse Henshaw** is a graduate of Waconah Regional High School. She will attend The University of South Carolina and major in Political Science. Sharlyse is also the recipient of the Cindy Ayre Memorial scholarship for political science. She is the daughter of Kirsten and Charles Henshaw.
- **Jasmine Hooper** is a graduate of Westfield High School. She will attend the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and will major in Radiologic Science. She is the daughter of Theresa and Jack Hooper.
- **Sarah Malandrinos** is a graduate of Wilbraham and Monson Academy. She will attend the University of North Carolina and major in Nursing. She is the daughter of Cheryl and Paul Malandrinos.
- **Madeleine Manganelli** is a graduate of Hampshire Regional High School. She will attend Vassar College and major in English. She is the daughter of Matthew and Jennifer Manganelli.
- **Jack Moltenbrey** is a graduate of Pope Francis Prep. He will attend St. Joseph's College of Maine and major in finance and math. He is the son of John and Evette Moltenbrey.

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- **Roza Niyazova** is a graduate of West Springfield High School. She will attend Springfield College and study to become a Physician's Assistant. She is the daughter of Guli and Islam Niyazova.
 - **Ryan O'Neil** is a graduate of Belchertown High School. He will attend Florida Gulf Coast University and major in PGA Management. He is the son of Gretchen and Patrick O'Neil.
 - **Olivia Parker** is a graduate of Ludlow High School. She will attend Holyoke Community College and major in business management and marketing. Olivia is also the recipient of the Cindy Ayre memorial Scholarship for women in business. She is the daughter of Michael and Nicole Parker.
 - **Michael Pedro** is a graduate of Ludlow High School. He will attend Western New England University and major in Communications and Journalism. He is the son of Emmanuel and Lisa Marie Pedro.
 - **Aiden Poirer** is a graduate of Westfield High School. He will attend the University of Rhode Island and major in mechanical engineering. Aiden is also the recipient of the Christine Schepps Good Neighbor Memorial Scholarship for the work he has done in his community. He is the son of Shanna and Kevin Rowe.
 - **Sophia Poissant** is a graduate of Belchertown High School. She will attend Connecticut College and major in Islamic/Middle Eastern Studies and International Relations. She is the daughter of Richard and Sarah Poissant.
 - **Lucy Postera** is a graduate of Greenfield High School. She will attend UMASS Amherst and major in Communications and Journalism. She is the daughter of Christina and Brian Postera.
 - **Lila Roberts** is a graduate of Belchertown High School. She will attend Evergreen State and major in Horticulture. She is the daughter of Elizabeth Salois.
 - **Declan Sears** is a graduate of Pope Francis Prep. He will attend Purdue University and major in Aerospace Engineering. He is the son of Brian and Tanya Sears. ■

About the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley:

Organized in 1915, the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley is a professional trade organization with more than 1,700 members. The term REALTOR® is registered as the exclusive designation of members of the National Association of REALTORS® who subscribe to a strict code of ethics and enjoy continuing education programs.

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