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APIASF Awards More Than \$1.2 Million in Scholarships to Deserving AAPI Students

The Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) recently awarded more than \$1.2 million dollars in scholarships to support Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) students in attaining higher education for the upcoming academic year. This is the largest amount distributed through the APIASF general scholarship program to-date. APIASF welcomed more than 500 diverse and outstanding AAPI students to the 2011-2012 APIASF scholarship class, all of whom will be attending more than 200 colleges and universities across the country. More than half of the scholarship recipients come from families that live at or below the poverty line and more than half are the first in their families to attend college.

The Scholars were selected from more than 5,000 completed applications by volunteers from across the country who read and reviewed each submission. Recipients demonstrated strong leadership skills and an ongoing commitment to community service.

For the complete announcement about the 2011 - 2012 APIASF scholarship class, [click here](#), and to meet the scholarship recipients, [click here](#).

Farmers Insurance Agents Celebrate 2011 - 2012 Scholarship Recipients



In July, Farmers agents gathered to recognize the 2011 - 2012 recipients of the APIASF / Farmers Insurance Scholarship. The events held in five of their key agency cities - Houston, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Houston, Seattle, and Philadelphia - were hosted by local Farmers

District Managers. During the events, local agents had the opportunity to meet some of the Scholars they are supporting and celebrate the achievements of each of the students. This is the third year in a row that APIASF has partnered with Farmers to celebrate the scholarship recipients with summertime events. **For additional photos and a summary of each of the events, [click here](#).**

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Scholar Profile



"Education has always been my first priority. I believe it's the best weapon that I could use to fight against poverty. It's also the key to unlock the door to more opportunities in the future. It's the path that would lead me to success. Paying for college once seemed nearly impossible to my family, but this scholarship made it possible."

Nhat Anh Nguyen
2011 - 2012 APIASF / Wachovia Wells Fargo Foundation Scholar
Attending University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Majoring in Aeronautical Science

In the photo: APIASF Director of Development Katrina Chambers, Farmers Assistant Vice President of Multicultural Marketing Daniel Chang, Scholar Charrany Thiem, Scholar Vi Tran, Scholar Julie Vo, Local Farmers Agents.

Community College Scholarship Applications Now Available for the 2011 - 2012 Academic Year

Applications for the APIASF Community College Scholarship Program are now available for students planning to attend City College of San Francisco, De Anza College and South Seattle Community College this fall. Each scholarship recipient will receive \$2,500 toward their tuition and will have the opportunity to participate in APIASF's programs throughout the year. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, September 7 at 5 p.m. EST. **For more information or to apply, [click here](#).**

APIASF Selected as Winner in the Showing LUV to Our Communities Giveaway

APIASF was selected as one of the 40 winners for Southwest Airlines' recent Showing LUV to Our Communities for 40 Years Giveaway. Nonprofit organizations focused on community initiatives such as education, diversity, military, environment, and families facing serious illnesses had the chance to share their compelling stories and photos to explain how roundtrip tickets would help them achieve their missions in the community. APIASF will receive 40 airline tickets to help support student participation at events such as the Higher Education Summit over the next year!



The Giveaway was developed to help Southwest celebrate its 40th Anniversary. APIASF is honored to be recognized as part of this important milestone. **To view the announcement, [click here](#).**

Upcoming Events

November 1 APIASF Scholarship Benefit

For additional information about this event, [click here](#).

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