

Nursing Foundation of Rhode Island 2021 Scholarships Awarded



The Nursing Foundation of Rhode Island (NFRI) awarded scholarships to 16 nursing students from area colleges at a Virtual Awards Ceremony held on July 15th. The awards included ten scholarships to undergraduate nursing students and six graduate level nursing students. The awards program was dedicated to the memory of Belle Calenda, a long-standing Trustee of the Foundation and champion of the nursing profession who recently passed away. Foundation President Keith Scally welcomed the award recipients, family members and guests who included several scholarship donors. He thanked Foundation board members and donors for their dedication to promoting nursing and nursing education.

“The Covid-19 pandemic presented unprecedented challenges to our healthcare systems and nurses were and continue to be on the frontline of those providing direct care to those afflicted with the virus.” said Scally. “The work of the Foundation in promoting the nursing profession and nursing education has never been more important. Myself, and all members of the NFRI Board of Trustees are pleased to have been able to award these scholarships which would not have been possible without the generosity of our dedicated and committed donors.”

The scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000, are awarded to students based on their good academic standing, demonstrated need and projected graduation date. Recipients of the scholarship awards, their school affiliation and donor fund are listed below:

Graduate Scholarships

Vanessa Hampson, RIC – *St. Joseph Hospital School Alumni, Parkhurst & Sherman Funds*
Deborah Boory, RIC – *Parkhurst & Stettler Funds*
Hannah Browning, RIC – *Schmeiding & Enright Funds*
Maureen Flanagan, RIC – *Parkhurst & Stettler Funds*
Katherine O’Keefe, RIC – *Schmeiding & Parkhurst Funds*
Lori Kasher, RIC (DNP) – *Parkhurst & Schmeiding Funds*

Undergraduate Scholarships

Endicott College

Theresa Gilmartin – *Schmeiding & Drew Lewis Funds*

Salve Regina University

Megan Boory- *Calenda, Ferrera Funds*

Rhode Island College

Emma Hislop- *Fry-Sweetland Fund*
Katherine Sears- *Schmeiding Fund*
Alexis Truppi – *Joseph Fund*
Jordan Badger – *Dwyer Fund*
Kelsey McGinnis – *Dwyer Fund*
Richmond Gyamfi – *Ferrara Fund*

University of Rhode Island

Brian Nolan- *Fry-Sweetland Fund*
Madison Silva – *Stettler & Dwyer Funds*