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**The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute Announces  
Recipients of the 2023 Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation Scholars  
Program**

(Simi Valley, CA.) Today, the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute is proud to announce the recipients of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation Scholars Program.

**\$7,500 Scholarship Recipient**

Monishka Tanwani    Santa Susana High School                      UC Berkeley

**\$5,500 Scholarship Recipients**

Niah Goudar                      Newbury Park High School                      UC Berkeley

Mugil Shanmugam    Oak Park High School                      USC

**\$3,000 Scholarship Recipients**

Aylin Fernandez                      Channel Islands High School                      Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

Abigail Flamer                      Westlake High School                      Brown University

Hayley Gadsby                      Westlake High School                      UCLA

Basant Gendi                      Channel Islands High School                      UC Santa Barbara

Archit Goyal                      Westlake High School                      Purdue University

Morgan Guttman                      Royal High School                      UC Santa Barbara

Mateo Navarro                      Ventura High School                      Brown University

Angelina Nguyen                      Ventura High School                      Brown University

Joy Oh                      Royal High School                      UC Berkeley

Sophia Viorato                      Oxnard Middle College High School                      UC San Diego

Recipients at the \$7,500 and \$5,500 levels also each received a \$500 grant for the teacher's classroom of their choice.



The scholarship is reserved for Ventura County high school seniors who showcase leadership, character, communication skills, academic achievement, and commitment to the local community. Recipients of this award earn a share of up to \$50,000 in college scholarships. Since 2000, this program has awarded nearly \$900,000 in scholarships and grants to 243 local student leaders attending 31 Ventura County high schools. “President Reagan said that education is a key that opens doors to achievement and success,” said Janet Tran, Chief Learning Officer. “Through this program – our longest-standing education program, we aim to help Ventura County’s most promising young leaders continue to have an impact on their communities not only by alleviating their financial burden as they pursue higher education, but also by welcoming them into a network with other like-minded civic stewards. We are proud of what they have already achieved locally, and look forward to supporting them in college and beyond.”

To qualify candidates had to:

- Demonstrate outstanding leadership, character, communication skills, academic achievement, and commitment to Ventura County
- Demonstrate strong academic performance (minimum 3.0 grade point average/4.0 scale or equivalent)
- Be citizens of the United States of America
- Graduate from a high school in Ventura County, California during the current academic year (home-schooled high school seniors in Ventura County, California also are eligible)
- Plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two- or four-year college or university in the United States for the entire upcoming academic year

Congratulations to our 2023 recipients, their high schools and the universities they plan on attending this fall. To see the full program, view it on our YouTube channel at <https://youtube.com/live/hIRGvo-LFZo?feature=share>.

Information and an online application for the 2024 Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation Scholars Program will be available in the fall. For information, contact [ekorsvall@reaganfoundation.org](mailto:ekorsvall@reaganfoundation.org).

### **About the Ronald Reagan Foundation and Institute**

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute is the sole nonprofit organization created by President Reagan charged with continuing his legacy and sharing his principles – individual liberty, economic opportunity, global democracy and national pride. The Foundation is a non-partisan organization which sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum in Simi Valley, CA, the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, the Presidential Learning Center, The Air Force One Pavilion, the award-winning Reagan Leadership Center and the Reagan Institute, which carries out the Foundation’s mission in Washington, D.C.

The Reagan Library houses over 55 million pages of Gubernatorial, Presidential and personal papers and over 60,000 gifts and artifacts chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It also serves as the final resting place of America’s 40th President and former First Lady Nancy Reagan.

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