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Rotary Club of Montecito Gives \$15,000 in Career Technical Scholarships to Santa Barbara City College Students

Santa Barbara, CA – In partnership with the SBCC Foundation, the Rotary Club of Montecito and its supporting foundation are pleased to announce the awarding of twelve (12) \$1,250 scholarships to standout SBCC students pursuing study in a career technical education program.

"The Rotary Club of Montecito was proud to present 12 career technical scholarships to very deserving SBCC students on April 19 during a fabulous lunch served by the Culinary Arts students at the college," says Club President Tom Fisher. "The stories from the students and their professors who nominated them were truly inspiring. The Rotary Club is proud of our support for the students of SBCC and we look forward to the next 25 years of supporting the students and watching them grow and flourish in their careers."

SBCC Foundation CEO Geoff Green said, "We are eternally grateful to the Rotary Club of Montecito for their long-standing commitment to SBCC students. For 25 years the Club has offered generous scholarships to SBCC's Career Technical Education students. CTE programs are one of the great strengths of our community's college. The talented students who pursue these specialized skills are the future of our community."

Students were selected from among SBCC's more than 60 Career Technical Education programs. Faculty nominated students who demonstrate leadership, academic excellence, and service to their classroom, campus, or community. Rotary's Four-Way Test guides the nomination and choice of scholarship recipients: Is it Truth? Is it Fair to all concerned? Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendship? Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Congratulations to the 2022 scholarship recipients:

From the Rotary Club of Montecito Foundation

Kati and Peter Buehler Family Scholarship: **Sierra Drewry**, Early Childhood Education Cathy Cash and Bruce McRoy Scholarship: **Oleh Moskalyk**, Associate Degree Nursing Lora and Tom Fisher Scholarship: **Aida Pouye**, Business Administration Allison and Todd Aldrich Scholarship: **Salvador Anguiano**, Radiography

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Koobation Endowed Scholarship: Martin Mendoza Montes, CAD/Drafting
Career Technical Education Scholarships: Julianna Escobedo, Cosmetology; Jinhee Hwang,
Graphic Design; Alexa Lazaro, Justice Studies; Angel Sanchez, Environmental Horticulture;
Alberto Santamaria, Culinary Arts; Benjamin Soto, Film and Television Production; Nicole Pena,
Accounting

About the Rotary Club of Montecito

Rotary International is one of the world's largest service organizations, with over 46,000 clubs and 1.4 million members worldwide. Its mission centers on creating lasting change in local communities and across the globe. Local chapters like the Rotary Club of Montecito focus on efforts ranging from the promotion of peace to growing local economies to protecting the environment. For over 25 years, the Rotary Club of Montecito has awarded over \$120,000 in scholarships to SBCC students in career technical education.

About the SBCC Foundation

The SBCC Foundation has provided Santa Barbara City College with private philanthropic support since 1976, serving as the vehicle through which individuals and organizations may invest in the college and its students.

As an independent 501c3 nonprofit organization and partner to SBCC, the SBCC Foundation awards more than \$5 million annually for student success programs, scholarships, book grants, emergency funds, and other critical needs of the college. For more than 45 years, the resources raised and managed by the SBCC Foundation have supported SBCC students as they prepare for careers, transfer to four-year universities, and pursue lifelong learning goals.

In 2016, the Foundation launched the SBCC Promise, offering all local high school graduates the opportunity to attend SBCC full-time at no cost. The SBCC Promise relies entirely on private support and covers all required fees, books, and supplies for up to two years. To date, more than 5,000 local students have participated in the SBCC Promise. By removing financial barriers, the SBCC Promise ensures that SBCC's life-changing educational programs are fully accessible to all local students.

For more information, visit <u>sbccfoundation.org</u>



Photo: Rotary Club of Montecito members, SBCC faculty, SBCC Foundation staff, and 2022 student scholarship recipients. (Photo: Nell Campbell)