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## WSWA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2022 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Children of WSWA Wholesaler Member Employees Receive More Than \$100K in Scholarships to Help Fund Higher Education

**WASHINGTON, D.C., 11/28/2022** – The WSWA Educational Foundation – the charitable arm of Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America (WSWA) – has today announced fifty-three recipients of its annual scholarship program. The winning students, children of member-wholesaler employees ranging from truck drivers to sales representatives and account managers, were awarded \$2,000 each to help fund their higher education expenses.

"This year, the WSWA Educational Foundation is close to giving \$1 million in scholarships funds for the children of WSWA member company employees," said Francis Creighton, WSWA's president and CEO. "It is an honor to support the families of our member companies in this way. The recipients are well-deserving of these funds as they continue their higher education. The 2022 students have shared details about their majors and academic focuses. It is wonderful to see the wide range of interests represented," he added.

There were nearly 400 applications submitted this year. The 53 students selected represent 15 WSWA member companies in 24 states. Eligible applicants are required to be a dependent of a full-time distributor employee working for a WSWA-member company. Beneficiaries were selected by an independent panel of judges through a competitive application process.

The Educational Foundation Scholarship is made possible by the generosity of many WSWA's wholesaler members.

Learn more about the 2022 scholarship recipients here.

Since its inception in 2010, the WSWA Educational Foundation has awarded almost \$1,000,000 in scholarships. For more information or to donate to this program, please visit our website <u>here.</u>

## About Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America

WSWA is the national trade association representing the distribution tier of the wine and spirits industry, dedicated to advancing the interests and independence of distributors and brokers of wine and spirits. Founded in 1943, WSWA has more than 380 member companies in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and its members distribute more than 80 percent of all wine and spirits sold at wholesale in the United States.

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