



2017 Report

Celebrate Scholarships

North Dakota
**Dollars for
SCHOLARS[®]**
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North Dakota Dollars for Scholars renews commitment to students

As we celebrated the 10-year mark of BND's involvement with Dollars for Scholars, we set on the course to pursue an even stronger future.

When the late Governor William Guy approached me in 2007 about Bank of North Dakota (BND) taking over the administration of North Dakota Dollars for Scholars, it was easy to say yes knowing the importance and integrity of the organization. Over the years, thousands of students have benefitted from the scholarship dollars raised by the local chapters and statewide organization.

I applaud the work of the community-based Dollars for Scholars chapters. In 2017, they awarded more than 1,500 scholarships totaling over \$160,000. Their dedication to their students is inspiring.

I am pleased to share that North Dakota Dollars for Scholars is committed to raise \$100,000 for new statewide scholarships in 2018. Midco has donated the first \$10,000 which will be used for four information technology field scholarships. Thank you! In addition to businesses supporting scholarships, I encourage professional associations to partner with us through our Professional Association Scholarship program to double their scholarship offerings and decrease their volunteer workload on scholarship administration.

The financial needs of college students have never been greater. We recognize that a well-educated labor force is essential for North Dakota's economy to grow and thrive. I encourage businesses and individuals alike to support either their local Dollars for Scholars chapters or the North Dakota Dollars for Scholars chapter for statewide scholarships. When we invest in higher education, everyone wins.



Eric Hardmeyer
President/CEO - Bank of North Dakota



Bob Alin: 33,000 miles logged and millions of dollars raised

Bob Alin is a hero in the Dollars for Scholars world. At the age of 88 years young, he loves to tell the story of visiting 60 communities after he retired in 1990. The 33,000 miles he logged to start local chapters in the state was the beginning of millions of dollars to be raised and distributed for student scholarships over the next 20 years.

A Scheels associate from Moorhead, Minnesota, was the first person to make Bob aware of the organization. The colleague had started the chapter in his hometown of Parkers Prairie, Minnesota, and his experience motivated Bob to start a chapter in LaMoure, North Dakota, his hometown. With the assistance of former classmates, the first chapter in the state was implemented.

Bob shares this as his reason for relentlessly pursuing Dollars for Scholars chapters in the state, "As a citizen of North Dakota, I like to see things happen that can benefit people. I was the messenger, but it was the initiative of the communities that took on the effort that is the main reason for its success."

Midco commits \$10,000 to North Dakota scholarships

Midco President and CEO Pat McAdaragh recently announced a \$10,000 commitment to North Dakota Dollars for Scholars to fund four scholarships for third-year students pursuing a technical degree in software and network engineering, electrical engineering or software development.

McAdaragh shared, "This is an excellent partnership between the public and private sectors. I was impressed with the program's stability and commitment to pursue scholarships for North Dakota students."

Midco has invested significantly in North Dakota to expand its broadband capacity. They are highly committed to supporting the communities they serve.



Eric Hardmeyer, BND president, and Amanda Woidyla, NDDFS co-director (right), graciously accept the donation from Genie Savageau, SMB & advertising sales manager, and Jerry Eggert, general operations manager, both with Midco.

Professional associations can double scholarship dollars

Bank of North Dakota has donated \$50,000 to North Dakota Dollars for Scholars to increase scholarships for returning students. We invite professional associations to partner with us and distribute even more scholarship dollars!

This is how it works. The professional association commits \$500 - \$1,500 annually for three years. North Dakota Dollars for Scholars matches that amount dollar for dollar. Instead of one \$500 scholarship each year, the association can give one \$1,000 scholarship; \$1,000 plus the match means two scholarships and \$1,500 plus the \$1,500 match means three! The association sets the parameters for the scholarship. North Dakota Dollars for Scholars manages the application and selection process, removing the burden from volunteers within the association. If interested, contact us at statedirector@nddfs.org or 701.328.5702.

Meet the Board of Directors



Tena Lawrence

President

Tena is the vice president of marketing and communications at University of Jamestown.



Jeff Jacobs

Treasurer

Jeff has worked in college financial aid for nearly 30 years and currently serves as the financial aid director at North Dakota State University.



Judy Harding

Secretary

Judy is a school counselor and is also very involved in her local Dollars for Scholars chapter.



Brian Schumacher

Investment Committee Chair

Brian leads the Alerus Investment and Fiduciary Services and Alerus Securities Department of Wealth Management.



Ruleen McMillan

Board Member

Ruleen is an administrative assistant at the North Dakota State Hospital in Jamestown.



Scott Lingen

Board Member

Scott is the director of financial aid at Bismarck State College.



Leigh Nygaard

Board Member

Leigh is a customer service representative for Farm Credit Services of North Dakota in the Crosby office.

BND names co-directors of North Dakota Dollars for Scholars

Amanda Woidyla and Staci Holzheimer have taken the reins of North Dakota Dollars for Scholars (NDDFS), leading it to a stronger and brighter future. Their passion for helping college students achieve their dreams is apparent when you visit with them.



Amanda is based in Bismarck and covers western and central North Dakota. She is also a university and student development coordinator for Bank of North Dakota. Prior to joining BND, Amanda worked with students and families as they navigated the college admissions and financial aid process. She shares, "Earning a scholarship to pursue education after high school is a game changer for a lot of students. They earn the confidence of their communities and confidence in themselves to pursue a degree or other credential. It's amazing to hear students' stories about why they're choosing a major or a career and how much receiving a scholarship is going to help them achieve their dreams."



Staci is based in Fargo and serves eastern North Dakota. In addition to her work with North Dakota Dollars for Scholars, she serves as a university and student development coordinator for BND and previously worked in college admissions and advising. Staci shares her perspective on NDDFS, "Having the chance to be a part of something so impactful is a privilege. I am passionate about higher education and the doors it will open for students. Being able to work with North Dakota Dollars for Scholars to provide students an opportunity to receive scholarships and lessen the total cost of their education is humbling. Hearing and seeing the success stories of scholarship recipients is an absolute pleasure and reminds me exactly why we work so hard to make these scholarships happen for students!"

2017 Donors

Thank you to our dedicated donors. Your gift changes lives for students in North Dakota.

Level	Donation
Summa Cum Laude	\$10,000+
Magna Cum Laude	\$5,000 - \$9,999
Cum Laude	\$2,500 - \$4,999
Honors	\$1,000 - \$2,499
Graduate	\$5 - \$999

Summa Cum Laude

Bank of North Dakota
Midco
Robert & Doris Alin

Magna Cum Laude

Cass County Electric Cooperative
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Honors

Falkirk Mining Company
ND Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
ND Chiropractic Association
ND Newspaper Association
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2017 Scholarship Winners Announced!

Robert and Doris Alin Legacy Scholarship \$2,500

Taylor Henningsgard
Central Valley High School

Dr. Fradkin Community Service Volunteer Scholarships \$1,000

Brett Berjinski
Rugby High School

Elizabeth Holzwarth
New Rockford-Sheyenne High School

Hannah Lemer
Drake-Anamoose High School

Kailey Lemer
Drake-Anamoose High School

Sofia Muruato
Beach High School

Lynna Ngo
Fargo South High School

Samantha Power
Mandan High School

Mya Steinwehr
Hankinson High School

Military Scholarships \$1,000

Brinley Mathern
Edgeley High School

Tyler Tonko
Magic City Campus High School - Minot

Returning Student and Graduate Student Scholarships \$1,000

Kathryn Bartholomay

Bowman High School

Emily Beck

Magic City Campus High School - Minot

Baylee Berg

Edgeley High School

Anna Bernhardt

New Salem–Almont High School

Justice Brown

Kenmare High School

Lindsey Bunn

Enderlin High School

Joshua Christianson

Sargent Central High School - Forman

Trevor Dufner

Richland 44 High School

Mariah Fossum

Hillsboro High School

Shayla Fossum

Hillsboro High School

Adam Gietzen

Glen Ullin High School

Rylan Graber

Wolford High School

Tienna Johnson

Wilton High School

McKayla Johnson

Magic City Campus High School – Minot

Holly Johnson

Hope–Page High School

Mariah Jorda

Dickinson High School

Kathryn Jund

Drake–Anamoose High School

Jessica Kindseth

Century High School - Bismarck

Sabrina Kremer

Bowbells High School

Sydney Larson

Hazen High School

Tyler Larson

Tioga High School

Derek Lehmann

Sargent Central High School - Forman

Madison Leintz

Hazen High School

Levi Lemer

Drake–Anamoose High School

Austin Mack

Dickinson High School

Amy Martinsen

Sargent Central High School - Forman

Stephanie McWilliams

Central High School – Grand Forks

Camille Meyer

Hope–Page High School

Reed Moseng

Magic City Campus High School – Minot

Jenna Mueller

Trinity High School - Dickinson

Saidee Oberlander

Valley City High School

Haley Olson

Divide County High School - Crosby

Emily Pillar

Hazen High School

Kristin Reinowski

Drake–Anamoose High School

Jamie Ronning

Valley City High School

Jonathan Rosencrans

Powers Lake High School

Ashley Rude

Hillsboro High School

Larissa Ruff

Kulm High School

Madeline Solemsaas

MLS High School - Mohall

Ashley Traiser

Hazen High School

Nicholas Valenzuela

Watford City High School

Kaitlin Walker

Magic City Campus High School – Minot

Hannah Walsh

Wolford High School

Caleb Weisgarber

Washburn High School

Taylor Zimprich

Griggs County Central High School - Cooperstown

Ethan Johnson

Hope–Page High School

Matthew Lorenz

Davies High School - Fargo

Kenady Martinson

Rolette High School

Erika Moderow – Fargo

Fargo South High School

Zoe Randazzo

St. Mary's Central High School - Bismarck

Treyton Hoogland

Wahpeton High School

Aaron Richard

Magic City Campus High School – Minot

Tanya Taplin

Shiloh Christian School – Bismarck

Joshua Lingen

Kindred High School

James Stein

Hankinson High School

Rebecca Birdsell

Harvey High School

Rachel Faller

Kindred High School

Sara Gilbertson

Valley City High School

Mattea Nybo – Fargo

Fargo South High School

Jessica Ronning

Valley City High School

Bridget Henderson

Edgeley High School

Ashley McCoy

Divide County High School - Crosby

Vocational/Technical/Tradeschool Scholarships \$1,000

Peyton Livedalen

Rugby High School

Thomas Gonzalez – Drake

Drake–Anamoose High School

Ty Leingang

Mandan High School

Tristan McMahon

TGU Granville Public School

Shayleigh O'Hanlon

Turtle Lake–Mercer High School

Robert Taylor

MLS High School – Mohall

Carson Van Deventer

Magic City Campus High School – Minot

Austin Wyman

Garrison High School

Justin Lehmann

Sargent Central High School - Forman

Madison Makeeff

Mandan High School

Jennifer Melom

Ashley High School