



## **ASSOCIATION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS**

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### **THE ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES EIGHT NEW SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

WASHINGTON – The Association on American Indian Affairs, the oldest non-profit organization advocating on behalf of Native Americans and Indian Tribes, has announced eight new graduate and undergraduate scholarship recipients. The eight students were chosen from over 300 applications and join thirteen current scholars who are beneficiaries of the Association’s continuing scholarship program. The scholarships are funded partly by an endowment created to provide scholarships to Native Americans, and by donations from the public.

The Association’s new scholarship recipients are:

- Ashley Lomay – Navajo – Arizona State University – Bachelor’s in Arts and Business Law
- Chambreigh Onesalt – Navajo – University of New Mexico – Bachelor of Architecture
- Desiree Quintana – Santo Domingo Pueblo – Mesa Community College – Associate in Human Nutrition
- Gerald Tufti – Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon – Oregon State University Cascades – Bachelor’s in Human Development and Family Science
- Shayla French – Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians – Michigan State University – Bachelor’s in Media and Information
- Stephani Watson – Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma – Arizona State University – Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law – Master’s in Legal Studies in H.R. and Employment Law
- Taylor Yazzie – Navajo Nation – Northern Arizona University – Bachelor of Science in Education
- William Allread – Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma – Stanford University -Law School – Juris Doctorate – Law

“The Association is so grateful that we are able to provide assistance to strong graduate and undergraduate Native American students who are connected to their culture and seek to give back to Indian Country,” said Frank Ettawageshik, President of the Association’s Board of Directors. “We wish we could provide more support because there continues to be a great need to educate our next generation.”

Each graduate or undergraduate degree seeking student who is a part of the program receives \$750 twice per year until the student completes his or her degree, as long as the student maintains a 2.5 grade point average and keeps in contact with the Association. The Association is looking for continuing support in its efforts to fund Native American scholars, as well as the Association’s other programs that protect Indian Country’s cultural sovereignty. Please make a donation today and consider the Association in your estate planning.

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The [Association on American Indian Affairs](http://www.Indian-Affairs.org) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in New York City in 1922. The Association advocates for changes to national Indian policy and provides on the ground programming for Indian Country in areas of education, health, children and youth, environmental and cultural preservation, and cultural sovereignty.