

# Tustin Dollars for SCHOLARS

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## Grad-Time Herald

### OUR SINCERE THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

**Tustin Dollars for Scholars** has been supporting local Tustin graduates since 1987. From that time our organization has been called by different names: Tustin Chamber of Commerce Welcome Wagon; Tustin Women's Chamber of Commerce; Dollars for Scholars; and finally Tustin Dollars for Scholars. As we leave 2022 and enter 2023, we will again undergo a name change. While we will no longer be a local affiliate of Scholarship America, we will continue our mission and goals to recognize and support the scholarship of our local Tustin USD senior graduates. We invite you to look for us in our mailer to you and hope that you will also continue to help us with this important community task. Our fundraising goals and activities will not change; so we invite your membership, your participation, and your financial support.

The dream of a college education has never been more challenging than it is today. The financial costs, college and university availability, changing course requirements, affordable housing, food necessities, and the task of completing a four-year degree in under six years remain at the forefront as barriers for post-secondary students. Many of you know of this personally from your own family experiences; so you can understand why the work of our organization is critical to our own Tustin seniors.

We look forward to your involvement and pray that you will support all, or some of our fundraisers with your attendance. All of the fundraisers are fun-filled and designed to entertain our guests. You are encouraged to bring friends, neighbors, and relatives to enjoy the atmosphere and to meet some of our scholars—the source of our pride and the reason for our work.

**One of our BIGGEST fundraisers will take place on Saturday, May 6, 2023. The Original Kentucky Derby will take place at the Orange County Mining Company. We are looking for interested jockeys to help us. Please consider entering your business or non-profit organization today! You may call or email any of the TDFS Board members with your interest. We thank you in advance for this consideration.**

*At this special time of the year, the Board of Directors of Tustin Dollars for Scholars wishes all of the Tustin Community, our supporters, our donors, our scholars and their families, local businesses and non-profits a warm holiday and a prosperous new year in 2023! Without you and your support, TDFS would not exist. When you get to know us, you understand how a small organization can do big things for its Community.*

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#### VALUABLE TDFS FACTS

- TDFS HAS AWARDED COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS SINCE 1987.
- A TDFS SCHOLARSHIP HAS A VALUE OF \$6,000 (\$1,500 EACH YEAR).
- TDFS IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER NONPROFIT 501 c (3) GROUP
- ALL PROFITS FROM ALL EVENTS GO TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS.
- SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED TO GRADUATING SENIORS FROM TUSD HIGH SCHOOLS.

#### SAVE THE DATES

**February 2023  
May 6, 2023**

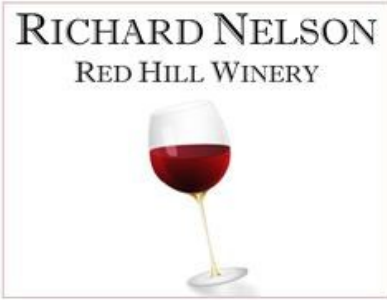
**Scholarship Applications available  
Derby Day 1:00 p.m.**

**Contact: Laura Valencia  
OC Mining Company**

**Watch the TDFS website and Facebook or events and additional information**

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# Tustin Dollars for SCHOLARS

## Current TDFS Scholars

**Yarin Aparicio**  
Beckman High

**Alanah Calvillo**  
Foothill High

**Arissa Calvillo**  
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Tustin High

**Michael Shugarman**  
Beckman High

**Macy Stark**  
Foothill High

**Andrew Tyson**  
Foothill High

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LINDA R. LADD

Dear Friends and Members,



As we leave 2022 and look forward to a successful 2023, let's remember to be thankful for the valuable supporters who have helped Tustin Dollars for Scholars provide scholarships for deserving students of Tustin Unified High Schools.

The coming new year may bring many challenges, hopefully for the better to meet our goals: New name, new logo, but with the same dedication of helping students in TUSD achieve their dreams of a college education. Dollars for Scholars would like to reach out to other non-profits who have scholarship programs of their own to coincide with our efforts of granting scholarships. Many of the same volunteers in our community belong to different non-profit organizations, all working in the same direction of giving some type of scholarship. Would it not make more sense to work together in raising money for those scholarships. Volunteerism is at an all-time low and many of us struggle to put on events with so little help. More hands make light work.

I hope that we can continue to come together to make this happen sometime in the New Year. If you have a passion for helping others, why not help our younger generation achieve their college aspirations. Once again to our supporters and members thank you for all you do and have a Very Happy New Year!  
Sincerely, Linda Ladd

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