

## Circle Of Concern Awards \$90,000 in Scholarships to Local Students

**St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 7, 2018...** Circle of Concern Food Pantry today announced the names of its 2018 youth scholarship recipients. The students entered a vigorously competitive process to apply, including an in-depth interview. Students were awarded the scholarships based on their interview, academic success and financial need.

## The scholarship recipients include:

Jazzlyn Adler Chad Kaether Elaine Bisso Kaylee Kombrink Suzanna Blalock Hwan Lee Gabrielle Blosser Alysia Lockhart Sierra Plummer Adriona Carey **Kaitlin Clermont Emily Sampson** Hannah Coleman Jordan Sampson Sierra Downings Alejandra Sanchez Cole Schubbe Adrian Fedorko Katelyn Gettis Isabelle Snyder Lucy Grimshaw John Stewart Jorden Grossett **Kassidy Webb Denise Jones** 

Cyndi Miller, executive director of Circle Of Concern, said, "We are so pleased to be able to provide financial support each year to help students continue their education. Our scholarship program undoubtedly makes a difference in the lives of those who might not have otherwise been able to pursue their dreams."

Circle has awarded more than \$1 million in scholarships during the course of its 51 years in service. Scholarships are used for professional trade schools, community colleges or four-year institutions.

New to the program this year is Circle's partnership with <a href="www.myscholarshipcentral.org">www.myscholarshipcentral.org</a>, an online portal that helps students navigate the scholarship process. The website allows students to fill out a general application that then suggests additional scholarships from other funders, therefore maximizing students' opportunities to receive more private student aid.

Circle awards approximately \$90,000 annually in scholarships. For more information about Circle Of Concern's scholarship programs and services, visit <a href="http://www.circleofconcern.org">http://www.circleofconcern.org</a> or call 636.861.2623.

## **About Circle Of Concern**

Circle Of Concern is a non-profit food pantry and social services agency serving low-income families in West St. Louis County. The organization helps feed approximately 25,000 individuals annually and offers financial support, scholarships, job mentoring, children's programs and holiday events to allow its clients to use their limited resources to regain their financial footing.

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