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Career endowment awards 16 scholarships

The McCracken County Community Career Endowment has given a second round of scholarship grants to area students.

The organization met its goal of distributing \$16,000 in grants and services. A total of 29 students benefited from the program.

The first round of grants was distributed in April. The second round of emergency assistance grants was distributed in June, July and August.

The recipients of the most recent grants were West Kentucky Community & Technical College students Irene Askew, Gwendolyn Barkley, Katoria Davis, Jacqueline Fayne, Arleatha Freeman, Antoinette Gatewood, Vicky Holland, Brian Jones, Merlynn Kelly, Patricia Kilpatrick, Kyle King, Rochelle Shannon and Charise Stubblefield; Western Kentucky University student Shakiya Leonard; Tennessee State University student Bernard Ward; and Murray State student Turkessa Winston.

The endowment anticipates awarding additional educational assistance grants in 2008. To apply, residents must complete an application stating their family income, grade point average and proof of school admission. They must also write a brief summary of their educational and employment objectives. Applications will be available from the MCCCE office after Jan. 31 or by calling 444-6962 or e-mailing McCareersInc@aol.com.

The MCCCE nonprofit organization is dedicated to developing a more diverse and qualified job candidate pool to enhance the economic success of the entire McCracken County community. The organization was made possible by an endowment established by the late Fred Paxton and his wife, Peggy, in January 2006.