



## Helping Dreams Come True

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Jenneffer Martinez has a dream to “serve, advocate, and encourage those who feel like they are trapped.”

Jenneffer knows what it is like to feel trapped. Her parents divorced when she was young. Her extended family was broken apart and she became a mother at 14.

But, Jenneffer never gave up.

She wanted to make a good life for her and her daughter. She wanted to give back to her community. And she knew that education was the key to making both happen.

With the help of \$500 scholarship from the Thompson-Patch scholarship fund, Jenneffer enrolled at Chemeketa Community College. It's hard work balancing school, work, and parenting but she is on track to become a drug and alcohol addiction counselor. She will become the first person in her family to graduate from college.

Your support of the Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund made this all possible.

For the past 23 years, the Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund has helped students of color in the Salem-Keizer area achieve their dreams to go to college or trade school. We award scholarships to students who have demonstrated both the resilience to overcome significant obstacles in their lives and the drive to succeed.

**Will you donate today to help a student like Jenneffer? Any amount is appreciated.**

Every dollar you give will go to a scholarship for a deserving student. Help us make more dreams come true. Donate today. The Board Thanks you.



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There may be no other scholarship like this anywhere: Scholarships for minority students based upon potential, more than just grades.

### **History:**

For 22 years, the Thompson – Patch Scholarship Board has awarded scholarships to graduating minority seniors based upon their demonstrated potential for success in higher education or technical school, while having overcome significant obstacles in their lives. These are students who literally have "turned their lives around."

### **Our Record:**

To date we have awarded over 180 scholarships for nearly \$140,000.

### **Our Expenses:**

We have an all-volunteer board, and no paid staff, so almost all of our donations go directly into our scholarships.

### **To Qualify:**

An applicant must be an ethnic minority student attending school in the Salem-Keizer 24J School District geographical area, including the Chemawa Indian School.

### **Scholarship Use:**

The scholarships can be used for study at any college, public or private, junior college, community college, as well as any certified technical training program. The money is paid directly to the school to be used by the student for academic expenses only.

### **Help Us Make More Dreams Come True:**

Please help us help these deserving students to make their dreams come true. We need your help to keep their dreams alive. The more that you give, the more scholarships we can fund.

**Donations should be sent to our Treasurer, Mike Swaim, made out to the "Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund," and mailed or delivered to: 270 Cottage St NE, Salem, OR 97301. You will receive a receipt for your donation, as it is tax deductible.**

If you have any questions, you are invited to call Mike Swaim at (503) 363-0063 .

**Thank You For Your Help In Making More Dreams Come True!**