

The National Crittenton Foundation has committed itself to the potential of young women in communities across the country. We are proud to partner with The Connie Lieding Scholarship Fund to award \$35,000 in scholarships to the following young women to help achieve their educational goals.

Makayla - \$3,000

Directions for Youth & Families (Columbus, OH)

"I have not given up, and I will NOT give up. No matter who has doubted me along the way, I will show them that I am strong."

Makayla is enrolled at Columbus State Community College and is pursuing a Nursing degree. She is the first person in her family to attend college.

Grace - \$1,000

Crittenton Services for Children & Families (Southern CA)

"Today I flap my wings and fly over the footsteps of my past. I'm not letting my past define me nor letting it distract me from my future."

Grace is enrolled at Los Angeles City College and is pursuing a degree to one day become an American Sign Language Interpreter.

Tia - \$2,000

Crittenton Services of Greater Washington (Washington, DC)

"My passion is to work with young girls who were like me."

Tia is enrolled at University of Maryland, College Park and is pursuing a Master's degree in Urban & Minority Education.

Michelle - \$1,000

Crittenton Services of Greater Washington (Washington, DC)

"I'm happy to say I'm at a moment in my life where I can say I'm proud of who I am and who I have become."

Michelle is enrolled at Montgomery College and is pursuing a Nursing degree. She is the first person in her family to attend college.

Katie - \$2,500

Florence Crittenton Services of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"I'm determined to do good and do something amazing...."

Katie is a young mother and is enrolled at Community College of Aurora. She is the first in her family to attend college.

Sarah - \$1,000

Crittenton Centers (Peoria, IL)

"Knowing that I can make a big difference in someone's life makes it worthwhile going to college."

Sarah is a young mother and is enrolled at University of Phoenix. She is pursuing a degree in Health Care Administration. Sarah is the first in her family to attend college.

Sade - \$3,000

Children's Village (New York, NY)

"...I can accomplish my dreams, be happy, and create a legacy in which positivity and hard work is the foundation."

Sade is enrolled at Genesee Community College and is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice.

Chloé - \$1,500

Florence Crittenton Services of Topeka, Inc. (Topeka, KS)

"Everything I have gone through has made me stronger, independent, creative, and a wise young lady. I plan to continue blossoming into a better person every single day."

Chloé is enrolled at Washburn University and is pursuing a degree in Elementary Education.

Miranda - \$2,000

Children's Village (New York, NY)

"As I focused on myself I began to realize the importance of education and the power it holds."

Miranda is enrolled at Nassau Community College and is pursuing a degree in Interior Design. She is the first person in her family to attend college.

Tammi - \$2,500

Children's Home Society of Florida

"I want to have a job as a social worker and use my talents as a filmmaker to help children in situations like mine by using their story as a powerful tool to make changes in the world."

Tammy is enrolled at Palm Beach State College and is pursuing a degree in Social Work.

Cyrus - \$1,000

Florence Crittenton Services of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"I want a good future and a good career."

Cyrus is a young mother and is enrolled at Community College of Aurora. She is pursuing a Nursing degree. Cyrus is the first in her family to attend college.

Valerie - \$1,000

Florence Crittenton Services for Children and Families (Southern CA)

"...I'm a caring person, [I] have a big heart..."

Valerie is enrolled at Los Angeles City College and is pursuing a degree in Nursing. She is the first in her family to attend college.

Denis - \$1,000

Florence Crittenton of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"The harder I work the more I can accomplish and be successful in life."

Denis is a young mother and is enrolled at Emily Griffith Technical College. She is pursuing a degree in Dental Hygiene. Denis is the first in her family to attend college.

Brenda - \$2,000

Florence Crittenton of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"I have overcome many obstacles in the path to my dreams..."

Brenda is a young mother and is enrolled at Emily Griffith Technical College. She is pursuing a degree in Nursing. Brenda is the first in her family to attend college.

Cné - \$1,000

Directions for Youth & Families (Columbus, OH)

"I have been through so much as a young mother and a student but my drive is so strong that I will not give up until I achieve success."

Cné is a young mother and is enrolled at Ohio Dominican University and is pursuing a degree in Social Work.

Jessica - \$1,000

Crittenton Centers (Peoria, IL)

"I'm proud to say my goals are intact and I'm going to succeed in them."

Jessica is a young mother and is enrolled at Illinois Central College. She is pursuing a degree in Nursing. Jessica is the first in her family to attend college.

Lucero - \$3,000

Florence Crittenton Services for Children and Families (Southern CA)

"... I never let go of the belief that I had the potential to build a better future for myself."

Lucero is a young mother and is enrolled at University of Southern California. She is pursuing a degree in Psychology and Sociology. Lucero is the first in her family to attend college.

Marlene - \$1,000

Florence Crittenton of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"... I would be the first generation to actually continue my education."

Denis is a young mother and is enrolled at Community College of Denver. She is pursuing a degree in Dental Hygiene. Marlene is the first in her family to attend college.

Rebeca - \$2,000

Florence Crittenton of Colorado (Denver, CO)

"I always wanted to stop crime so people can live better lives in better communities."

Rebeca is a young mother and is enrolled at Front Range Community College and is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice.

Stevona - \$1,500

Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps (Boston, MA)

"I want to help kids before they get to Rotenberg like I did."

Denis is enrolled at Bunker Hill Community College and is pursuing a degree in Communication. She is the first in her family to attend college.

Yolanda - \$1,000

Directions for Youth & Families (Columbus, OH)

"With hard work and determination you can accomplish your dreams and anything you want."

Yolanda is enrolled at Southwestern Career Academy and is pursuing a degree in Public Relations and Event Planning.