

2023-24 Contributors Greatly Appreciated

ne of the Business Technology Association's (BTA's) future-forward member benefits is the BTA Scholarship Program, which awards scholarships to the qualifying employees — and the sons and



daughters of employees — of BTA member dealerships. Since the 1984-85 school year, BTA has awarded 1,587 scholarships totaling \$1.8105 million. During BTA's 2023-24 fiscal year, 245 BTA members contributed to the BTA Scholarship Foundation. There was not enough room to list them all here, but you can see the full list of contributors at www.bta.org/Scholarships.

This year in particular was a special one for the scholarship program. In 2015, the annual \$3,000 Bob Goldberg Scholarship was established to honor BTA's former general counsel, Bob Goldberg, for his many years of service to the association. In June, a second annual \$3,000 Bob Goldberg Scholarship was announced at the Bob Goldberg Appreciation Reception in Huntington Beach, California. The following companies contributed to the BTA Scholarship Foundation this year in honor of Bob, for a total of \$50,000: Advanced Business Systems, Anderson Business Technology, Applied Innovation, Automated Business Solutions, Business Technology Association, Business Systems and Consultants, Centriworks | Thermocopy, Century Business Technologies, Coordinated Business Systems, Copiers Plus, DOCUmation, ENX Magazine, IBPI, Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Lockwood Moore, Nauticon Office Solutions, Pulse Technology, Seminole Office Solutions and Triumph Technology Group.

In total, \$64,925 was donated to the BTA

Scholarship Foundation during the 2023-24 year. I would like to thank this year's contributors for their generous donations. The BTA Scholarship Program would not be what it is today without them.

Every year we receive several photos of scholarship winners receiving their checks from sponsoring member dealership employees, as well as thank-you notes from winning students. You can see the photos and notes at www.bta.org/Scholarships.

One thank-you note from this year gives you an idea of the importance of these scholarships to students: "I am honored and grateful you chose to award me with a Business Technology Association scholarship. The gracious donation will go toward my college education and I am so thankful for your generous contribution to my future ... I am honored and am grateful that it will allow me to attend the college of my choosing. I will approach my college experience with the same rigor and effort with which I approached my high school experience. I do not take the opportunity you have given me lightly, and I intend to make your gracious contribution worth everything you have awarded me. Thank you." - Anna Hamvas, scholarship recipient sponsored by BTA member Coordinated Business Systems, Burnsville, Minnesota

For the 2025-26 school year, BTA is adding new scholarships to the program. The Patriot Pack has made the BTA Scholarship Foundation its charitable cause beginning with its 2024 Ride, which will be held this month. Its focus will be on providing scholarships to office technology U.S. military veterans, their children and grandchildren, who will be able to apply when the application is made available in December.

For more information on BTA scholarships or to make a contribution, visit www. bta.org/Scholarships. ■

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