Three scholarships, a Grand Scholarship, a Nursing Scholarship, and a general scholarship, donated by a community group of professionals dedicated to supporting education services at the Chinatown-North Beach Campus. It played a key role in advocating and fund-raising to build the new campus and continues to lobby for classes and services at CCSF.

Helen Siu Memorial Scholarship: Ms. Kathy Wong, a career ESL instructor, unexpectedly passed away last fall. She was a dedicated, enthusiastic, positive and loving person. For years, she taught non-credit ESL and Office Training Programs at the CNB Campus. She was also a great resource person at the TRC. This Scholarship is set up in her memory.

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HESTOR LOO is majoring in Business/Political Economy. She believes in serving the Asian American community as a means to improve community health. She has passion for serving others, such as her involvement with Alpha Gamma Sigma fundraising and community events as well as interning with UCSF Family Planning.

YONG TONG LI is originally from Tai-Shan, China and studies Business Economics. Yong believes in serving her community and does so by volunteering in groups such as APASS, Alpha Beta Gamma, Asian Law Caucus, and tax assistance.

JESSICA TAM-MIDDLETON is a nursing student in her second semester in the program at CCSF. Her career goal is to work as a Registered Nurse and provide exceptional care to her patients. Jessica has been an active member of SEIU at San Francisco General Hospital and volunteers with the Asian Pacific Islander Labor Alliance.

JOHN WONG has an affection for health and medicine with aspirations to become a doctor. During his study-abroad program at Soon Chun Hyang University, South Korea, he led relief and fundraising efforts for the Japan Tohuku earthquake by organizing donations to the American Red Cross.

SUK WAH (SUKE) WONG volunteers at UCSF within the ER where she is exposed to patients and medical staff. This exposure solidified her decision to pursue a career in medicine with the intention to enrich the Asian American community. In addition to her studies, she previously served as an AS Senator.

SON THANH NGUYEN is an international student from Vietnam majoring in Business Economics. He regularly volunteers with Project SHINE, APASS, and the LAC. He is an active member of the Vietnamese Student Association, Alpha Beta Gamma, and Alpha Gamma Sigma.

NGA TIEN is a native of Vietnam who studies Business Administration. She is a tutor with Project SHINE and with LAC, providing her expertise on finance, accounting, and economics courses. As a mentor, Nga supports students and helps them overcome barriers and achieve their educational goals.

HIENTHAC LE is an international student from Vietnam. He is a Sociology major with plans to start a non-profit youth organization in his home country. He has served as a study group leader with APASS and coached with Project SHINE. As an Alpha Gamma Sigma Society member, Hien volunteered at the Asian Art Museum and participated in a beach clean up.

KATHY QIONG LI was a doctor's assistant in China. She is currently taking non-credit ESL courses with intentions to apply to the Radiation Technology Program. She participates on several committees with Wu Yee Children’s Services and volunteers at Sherman Elementary School.

EMILY HUI ZHEN CHEN is working on her non-credit Microcomputer Accounting Certificate and AS Degree in Accounting. Emily plans to become a bookkeeper or tax preparation assistant. She regularly volunteers with the Chinese Newcomers’ Service Center, YMCA Chinatown Branch, Asian Women’s Resource Center, and the CNB Center.

JIAN YA LIANG, a recent immigrant from China, volunteers as a Building Coordinator at a Chinatown SRO and is responsible for the safety of its tenants. He also volunteers at Self-Help for the Elderly by serving meals. He is studying non-credit English and plans to become United States citizen.

CHUNXIANG MA is a professional opera singer from Guangdong, China. She regularly performs at Chinese community centers for the elderly. She sang, performed, and actively participated in Prop A fundraising. Her efforts in studying non-credit ESL and Citizenship courses enabled her to successfully pass the citizenship exam.

HAOL A is a native of Vietnam and majoring in pre-nursing. He was inspired to pursue a career in healthcare by his beloved grandmother. Hao has volunteered extensively in Vietnam and the US.

VINCENT LAM is an Asian American Studies major who plans to transfer, earn a master’s degree, and teach. Vincent is very active both on-campus and off; he serves as events coordinator for Alpha Gamma Sigma and has participated in Project SHINE for the last three years.

CHENG ONG is a nursing degree from a community college or university. She is a dedicated single parent, who serves on the tenant council at Episcopal Community Services and volunteers on the Parent/Teacher Association for Dianne Feinstein Elementary.

TUAN NGUYEN is an international student from Vietnam majoring in hotel management and accounting. Tuan works in the international office and volunteers with Project SHINE.

HTU LABYA is originally from Burma and a pre-nursing major with hopes to transfer to a university. Htu was inspired to become a nurse from the civil war and unrest she witnessed in her home country. She currently works part-time as an office assistant and serves as worship leader with the San Francisco Kachin Baptist Church.

AMY CAI, a San Francisco native, is a pre-nursing student who plans to transfer to SF State and earn her bachelor’s degree. Besides being a full-time student, Amy volunteers with Project SHINE, the Community Youth Center (CYC), and California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC).

SIYEON CHAI, an international student who hails from Korea, is studying accounting with intentions to transfer to a university. She volunteers with the Glide Memorial Church in SF.

JENNY PANJAITAN is from Indonesia and a declared business major with a concentration in supervision and management. Since her studies began at CCSF, Jenny has participated in Project SHINE as well as Worldreader, an organization which provides Kindles to children in Africa.

BING RONG TAN, a recent immigrant from China, is an active member in school and the community. He volunteered in voter education and fundraising activities to support CCSF. He participates in campaigns to fight for improved transportation and housing services.

MARY-ANN SALINAS is a pre-nursing major who also volunteers at San Francisco General Hospital and the Mission Neighborhood Health Center. She is also active on-campus and participates in APASS and the Peace (Filipino) Club. Mary-Ann plans to become a nurse to help underserved Asian American communities.

HALEIGH MAGER-MARDEUSZ is a pre-nursing major with intentions to earn a bachelor’s of science degree in nursing. Since 2011 Haleigh has volunteered with Project SHINE assisting mostly Chinese speaking students practice their English, help with resume writing, and preparation for job interviews.

2013 APASS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

ZENaida BALERTO has excelled academically after a difficult start. She is studying Environmental Science and emphasizes sustainability & habitat restoration. She has volunteered at EcoCenter Herons Head Park, Conservatory of Flowers, CCSF Horticulture Department & various orchid shows. Her scholarship is funded by several science instructors at CCSF.

JEFFREY CHENG is a hard-working student who enjoys studying Psychology and plans to obtain his AA-T and later BA at SFSU (both in Psychology). In 2012, he was accepted into the Summer Bridge mentorship program at a community mental health agency in SF.

DAVID TSANG is a first-generation college student who aspires to become “someone important in the financial world.” With determination and focus, he turned his academics around and will pursue his aspirations in Business Management at SFSU in Fall 2013.