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### **Solarity awards five students with scholarships!**

Yakima, Washington (July 9, 2015) – Solarity Credit Union awarded five students with scholarships for their academic and community achievements. The winners of the 2015 Solarity Scholarship were Theresa Barney, Jacob Stucki, Shavali Dave, Sy Ruiz and Diana Tran.

- Theresa Barney graduated from Wapato High School and will be attending Brigham Young University-Idaho. Theresa and her father were involved in an automobile accident that changed her life. In the hospital she observed the nurses courageously working to help her dad. This experience affected her so much that she knew she wanted to help people in medical situations. She now is an aspiring nurse and will use this scholarship to help achieve her goal.
- Jacob Stucki graduated from West Valley High School and will be attending Brigham Young University. Jacob achieved the Eagle Scout award from Boy Scouts of America. He has a passion for helping others and plans to work in the medical field. This scholarship will help him fulfill his dream of becoming a specialized nurse.
- Shavali Dave graduated from the University of Illinois-Chicago and will be attending Heritage University. Shavali has a desire to bring awareness to health care access and delivery, specifically for primary and preventive care to those in underserved and urban localities. This scholarship will help relieve the financial burden of her medical education.
- Sy Ruiz graduated from A.C. Davis High School and will be attending University of Washington. Sy is an aspiring business owner and plans to run for a state legislature position in the future. He is committed to serving and helping others for the betterment of the community. This scholarship will help him reach his academic and career goals.
- Diana Tran graduated from University of Washington and will be attending Heritage University. The example her parents set of sacrifice and perseverance after emigrating from Vietnam to America in the 1970s has given Diana the inspiration and drive to achieve her goals. This scholarship will ultimately help her become a better healthcare provider by offering her the opportunity to pursue her education.

Solarity Credit Union is honored to provide members with scholarships to help achieve their educational goals. Solarity is committed to making positive things happen for members and the community. The scholarship program is one of the many ways Solarity gives back to their members.

For information regarding the 2016 Solarity Scholarship visit our webpage at [solaritycu.org/scholarship.htm](http://solaritycu.org/scholarship.htm) or contact us via email at [community@solaritycu.org](mailto:community@solaritycu.org). 2016 applications will not be accepted until a later date.

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Solarity Credit Union has six convenient branch locations in Yakima and Kittitas counties and more than \$600 million in assets. Solarity currently serves more than 50,000 members and offers a full line of products and services to meet members' financial needs. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, or attends school within a Washington state school district. Visit Solarity at [solaritycu.org](http://solaritycu.org).