



## Southwestern College Student Scholarships Coronado Democrats Give Support!



Two 2024 college students will receive scholastic support like Ayona Hudson, 2020 recipient, who went from homelessness to a home at UCLA. In 2022, she completed her degree and returned home to Detroit with the goal of advocating and working for the advancement of people of color. She hit the ground running in a summer internship in the Detroit Mayor's Office, has been volunteering at a women's shelter for women who experience domestic violence, is developing voting workshops there, and with other organizations, is helping to get out the vote in these communities. Currently, Ayona is employed by a non-profit, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, that works to alleviate needs in the community. Most importantly, she is applying to law school now for the fall!

Elizabeth de la Torre, one of our two scholarship recipients in 2021, is a single mother and breast cancer survivor who went to SWC to be a role model for her middle school twins. She had to cut her hours at work to do this, and must piece together money from financial aid as well as the SWC and community food banks.

Common characteristic of all our recipients is abusive homes, homelessness, learning English as a second language, single parenthood and the drive to learn, make a better life, and give back to the community.

All of the scholarship applicants answer questions in which they explain why they are a Democrat, how they are politically active, and what they see as two pressing political issues. We have made a difference in their lives with our scholarship support.

Additional online donations can be made on the **Southwestern College Foundation** website: <https://bit.ly/3CUe8mY>

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