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Three Roosevelt High Seniors Among 15 to Earn \$5,000 Scholarships

Farmington Hills, Mich., May 27, 2020 -- The city of Wyandotte, Roosevelt High School in particular, was well-represented when Community Choice Credit Union announced the recipients of its 2020 Scholarships, as Julia Edmonds, Lillian Settles, and Sydney Tarnowski each earned \$5,000 awards for the 2020-21 school year.

The three Roosevelt High students joined 12 others from across the state of Michigan in earning the academic awards designated for high school seniors. The winners were chosen after careful evaluation of their academic success, community/volunteer involvement, and personal interview.



Julia Edmonds

“I don’t believe it’s ever happened that one high school has had three winners,” said Jeremy Cybulski, Community Engagement Manager at Community Choice. “It says a lot about the academic standards at Roosevelt and the type of community-minded seniors they help develop.

“These are outstanding young people who I’m sure make their community, and their families, proud. We’re happy that we can help get their college careers started and that we can alleviate some of the financial stress of higher education.”



Lillian Settles

According to their applications, Edmonds is planning to study nursing at Oakland University; Settles will attend Lawrence Technological University and study graphic design; and Tarnowski plans to study accounting at Central Michigan University. Tarnowski is also the recipient of the Credit Union’s Rodger Rowland scholarship. Named for a beloved colleague, this scholarship is awarded each year to one graduating high school senior for excellence in leadership.

Nichole Ezell, also of Wyandotte, earned one of the Credit Union’s \$2,500 scholarships for skilled trade training. Ezell will attend Bethel School of Technology online to study software development.



Sydney Tarnowski

In total, Community Choice received more 1,400 applications and awarded \$100,000 in scholarships – 15 for high school seniors, six for continuing education, and four for skilled trade education. This is the 12th year the Foundation has awarded scholarships for high school seniors and the first year for skilled trade and continuing education. The Foundation has now awarded \$1.2 million in scholarships since the state-wide program first began in 2009.

About Community Choice Credit Union:

Community Choice Credit Union believes in helping its neighbors across the state of Michigan achieve the life they desire. Since 1935, the Credit Union has offered a wide variety of products and services that help consumers and business owners achieve their financial goals. Community Choice’s Give Big efforts have resulted in a contribution of more than 25,909 volunteer hours into communities across the state. Their foundation, the Community Choice Foundation, has awarded more than \$1 million in scholarships to graduating seniors who attend a Michigan college or university. Anyone who lives in the state of Michigan is eligible to become a member. For more information, visit www.CommunityChoice.com.