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Kit Carson Electric Education Foundation Awards \$45,000 in Scholarships to Local High School Graduates in its Service Territory

Taos, New Mexico – The Kit Carson Electric Education Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative (KCEC), has awarded \$45,000 in scholarships to 31 local high school graduates of the class of 2024. The Foundation leverages scholarship dollars provided by KCEC's wholesale power provider Guzman Energy.

Scholarship recipients had applied and demonstrated plans to continue their education and workforce training beyond their high school accomplishments. Recipients of the 2024 Kit Carson Electric Education Foundation Scholarships are:

- Sierra Archuleta, Vista Grande HS
- Anabelle Caldwell, Taos HS
- Mariah Cebada, Taos HS
- Isabella Gallegos, Taos HS
- Joseph Gonzales, Vista Grande HS
- Josie Leeson, Taos HS
- Alexandra Martinez, Taos Academy
- Carlos Miller, Taos HS
- Ryen Ortega, Taos HS
- Gisele Rivera, Taos HS
- Lionel Salazar, Taos HS
- Faith Cisneros, Questa HS
- Isaac Ortega, Questa HS
- Nathaniel Rael, Questa HS
- Martin Rivera, Questa HS
- Ricardo Sanchez, Questa HS

- Estrella Alire, Mesa Vista HS
- Destiny Gonzales, Mesa Vista HS
- Calvin Jaramillo, Mesa Vista HS
- Nathaniel Lucero, Mesa Vista HS
- Charnelle Gonzales, Taos Academy
- Analise MaCauley, Penasco HS
- Haylie Martinez, Penasco HS
- Matias Vigil, Penasco HS
- Angel Moreno, Moreno Valley HS
- Victoria Tafoya, Moreno Valley HS
- Cecelia Trujillo, Moreno Valley HS
- David Wier, Cimarron HS
- Jarod Silva, Taos HS
- Jose Martinez, Mesa Vista HS

"We are very proud of the young students in our community. The Education Foundation was formed to recognize the importance of ongoing education and workforce training. Scholarships are one way we can show our support and help students succeed," said Luis A. Reyes, Jr., KCEC CEO. "We also wish to thank Guzman Energy, who has been a true partner to the Foundation and supporter of our community."

Since 1997, the KCEC Foundation has awarded more than \$695,000 in scholarship funds to students throughout its territory, providing financial assistance to students pursuing advanced education and training.



About Kit Carson Electric Cooperative

Formed in 1944, Kit Carson is a member-owned electric distribution cooperative in northern New Mexico and the second-largest cooperative in the state. It is one of 16 electric cooperatives that serve rural New Mexico communities, serving nearly 30,000 members in Taos, Colfax and Rio Arriba counties. To learn more about Kit Carson, visit www.kitcarson.com.