

### MAY 2021 - JUNE 2022 Scholarship Report

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### About CSLAP

Based in the Rio Grande Valley, the College Scholarship
Leadership Access Program (CSLAP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit
that teaches college access lessons and connects high
school students to near-peer mentors.

In 2020, CSLAP launched its **Scholarship Program** to assist graduating high school seniors with college expenses.

Our Scholarship Program supports our mission to increase college enrollment and graduation rates in Hidalgo County.

## Scholarships

Since the program's inception, CSLAP has awarded over \$21,000 to 33 Hidalgo County students.

In 2022, CSLAP awarded \$9,000 in scholarships to 7 students across 6 schools in Hidalgo County.

Scholarship Program students benefit from ongoing support and mentorship throughout their college journeys.

The program provides students more than a check — it creates a community founded on altruism and service.

## Why We Award

According to RGV Focus' 2020 Annual Report, the average higher education immediate enrollment rate was 49% for Rio Grande Valley seniors in the class of 2020.

The 7 scholarships awarded to our CSLAP Scholars are designed to address 3 key areas of college transition to reduce roadblocks to college enrollment.

### What We Award

#### **Technology**

Ensuring students own a laptop before arriving to college.

#### **Travel**

Subsidizing students' travel expenses to up-state and out-of-state colleges.

#### **Educational Expenses**

Covering pre-semester expenses such as textbooks.





Ashley Martinez
PSJA Memorial Early
College High School

**UT-Austin** 

**\$500**CSLAP Impact
Scholarship

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PSJA Memorial Early
College High School

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Risa Lizcano
PSJA High Early College
High School

**University of Houston** 

\$500

Thomas Ray Garcia
Eagle Fly Free
Scholarship









Max De Los Santos
PSJA Southwest Early
College High School

Thamara Rojas McAllen Nikki Rowe High School

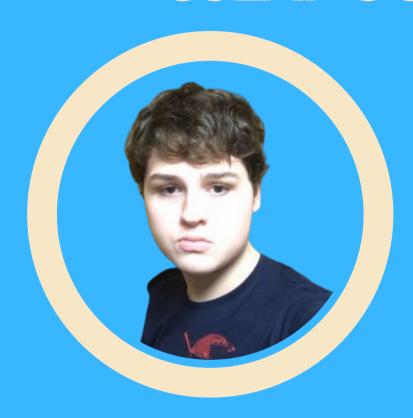
**UTRGV** 

**UTSA** 

**\$2,500**Nick Slack
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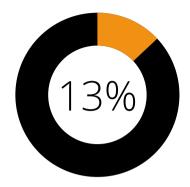
**\$500**Alex Hernandez
Continuing Scholars
Scholarship



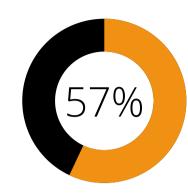
Myra Ramirez
PSJA North Early
College High School

Texas A&M - McAllen

**\$2,000**Cali Scholarship



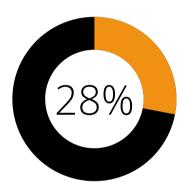
SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDEES OUT OF
TOTAL ELIGIBLE
APPLICATIONS



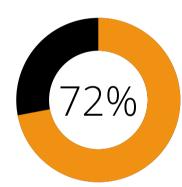
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES WHO ARE RANKED TOP 10% OF THEIR GRADUATING CLASS



SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDEES
GRADUATING FROM
HIDALGO COUNTY
SCHOOLS



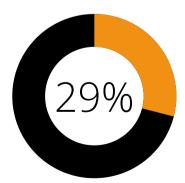
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES ATTENDING UTRGV



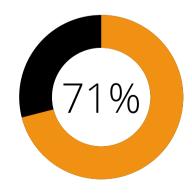
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES ATTENDING AN UP-STATE TEXAS INSTITUTION



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES ATTENDING A 4-YEAR INSTITUTION IN 2022-2023



SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDEES WHO
EARNED
SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR 2022-2023
SOLELY FROM CSLAP



SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDEES WHO ARE
FIRST-GENERATION
COLLEGE STUDENTS

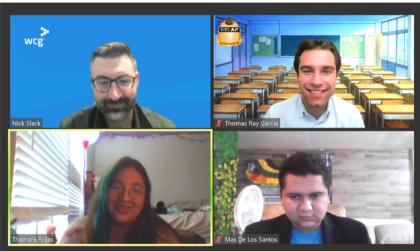


SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES WHO ARE PELL GRANT-ELIGIBLE

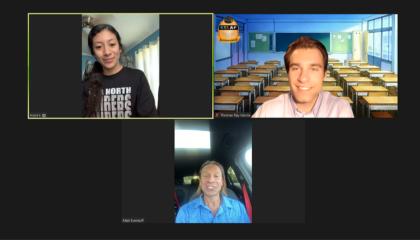
Thanks to your donations, 7 high school seniors have received a scholarship and access to a community of Rio Grande Valley mentors!



The power of near-peer mentorship lies in young people paying it forward by mentoring their peers on the college admissions and college transition processes.



cslap scholars are awarded scholarships based on their stories of resilience. To and through college, they will receive support in pursuit of their dreams.



### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Thank you to our Scholarship Committee for their ongoing work fundraising and reviewing applications for our Scholarship Program.

Thank you to our donors for supporting the college journeys of 7 CSLAP Scholars.

Thank you to our community supporters who continue uplifting our work in the Rio Grande Valley.

# FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR ORGANIZATION

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