Rosalie Hilger Achievement Scholarship APPLICATION

For Undergraduate Students - Award Amount: $1,000.00 annual scholarship

Purpose: To provide a key to success in higher education and support positive life-changing skill sets – for the student and their families.

Background: Ernest Hilger, on behalf of the Hilger Family Trust, has established this and one other scholarship in honor of his most beloved, caring and loving wife of 45 years, Rosalie. The objective is to continue her legacy of sharing a caring, loving, gentle and positive life spirit and uplifting energy with future generations of students. Rosalie taught and guided students for 24 years as an Adjunct Professor at East Los Angeles Community College and Los Angeles Mission College’s Child, Family and Consumer Studies Departments.

Rosalie was the Director of the Foster and Kinship Care Programs at Los Angeles Mission College and was the regional coordinator for these programs. She was instrumental and highly effective in securing partnerships with community leaders, parents, students, administrators, community-based organizations and local public schools; and was responsible for writing, and co-authoring tremendous grants which brought millions of dollars in support for the students she so loved (For the Children) and the programs she managed.

The award recognizes those students who have successfully met life’s challenges and who have demonstrated a positive life path for themselves and their families no matter the “real or perceived baggage from childhood.”

The award recognizes those students who are on a redirected life path to live successful and productive lives utilizing their own positive life energy, their education, their new sense of self and the strength of the family as a means to success in life and in their chosen professions. The award is to benefit students and assist them in their journey along a positive life path by sharing, utilizing, and communicating Rosalie’s everlasting positive life energy in all the challenges the students may meet in their lives.

Her everlasting spirit, her beautiful smile, her contagious laughter, her positive personality, and her wisdom will guide others. The award recognizes that there is more to success than a high GPA and that students who are not at the top of their class academically also deserve the opportunity for success.