

Z-MAN FOUNDATION *newsletter*

Invest in the future of Oregon, one scholar at a time

Each Z-Man scholar will receive up to a \$3,800 annual scholarship for four years toward the cost of preparation college attendance to participating schools*.

In addition, scholars receive a network of support services, including mentoring from a member of law enforcement, complete access and continued coaching from Z-man staff, invitations to annual fundraisers and charity events, as well as the opportunity to attend academy trainings, tournaments and competitions.

Our scholars are determined, responsible, motivated individuals who are dedicated students and community members. They represent a wide variety of backgrounds, interests and experiences. They are leaders in their communities and with their peers. Their potential for success has no limit.

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Sergio Nieves-Alvez

"My Goal in life is to be able to have a career that {I} enjoy, perhaps something that has to do with architecture, I

am determined to do this to show my parents and especially myself that if one has determination anything is possible."

Sergio, a 2013 scholarship recipient, is a freshman at De La Salle North. He plays the bass in his church choir and also plays the piano. Sergio is working towards a better education than his parents were able to get, and his goal to build a better future for them, thus Z-Man Foundation offered to help his goal come true.



Courtney Ford

"My father always tells my brother and me to 'lift as we climb.' When I was younger I did not understand what my dad meant, but now I know it means to

help others as you grow as a person. This is what Officer ZyLawy did as a police officer {and} this is what I want to continue doing."

Courtney, a 2013 scholarship recipient, is a sophomore at De La Salle High School. She volunteers with "Caring Hands" and "soup and Salvation." Courtney is confident and likes to help others do their best, thus Z-Man Foundation offered to help her do her best.

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Foundation provides for students

Ready or not, anywhere between 2.9 million and 3.3 million public school students graduate high school every year. But due to financial hardships and lack of resources and opportunities, many of our local brightest and best will not go off to college after graduating.

The Z-Man Scholarship Foundation works to support the disadvantaged but determined! A college degree can be a catalyst out of poverty, offering the chance at a better job, greater lifetime earnings, even better lifetime health. But the persistent educational gap affecting poor and minority students in Oregon means many students never get a chance to earn a college degree.

We believe that college preparation and mentoring programs can change that.

In recent decades, the economic returns on a college degree have risen sharply. The income gap between graduates and non-graduates is



nearly the widest it has ever been. Similarly, the unemployment rate for graduates of four-year colleges between 25 and 34 was 3.9 percent in August, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Z-Man Scholarship Foundation is a non-profit organization made up of a unique public/private collaboration between concerned Oregon businesses and community leaders, elected officials, philanthropists and education leaders. We are one of the state's most significant public/private collaborative efforts to increase the number of degree holders in our state.

Z-Man Scholarship Foundation is dedicated to working with established and successful organizations to assist high-risk, low-income students and to provide early mentoring. Our foundation actively coordinates with the Portland Police Bureau, other organizations and directly with college preparatory schools to identify the financial need of the brightest and best in Or-

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egon's public school system. Each qualified potential scholar is asked to submit an essay on how the life and work of Officer Mark Zylawy has inspired them to help themselves and their community.

Participating college prep schools:

- De La Salle North
- La Salle Prep
- Seton Catholic

Is your institution interested in becoming a participating school? Please call 503-572-1187, or email: jlinton@zmannscholarship.org

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Jessica Trinh

"Even in everyday situations, I find that by respecting those around me, it just creates a better atmosphere.

At work, school, home, and all elsewhere, I practice what it means to respect others, and in turn I receive it back."

Jessica, a 2013 recipient, is a senior at De La Salle North and is running for Valedictorian. She is a Peer helper, D.A.R.E mentor and a member of Student Council. Jessica believes in respect and service, thus Z-Man Foundation is helping her pay it forward.

Wesley Ward

"At birth I was placed in a medical foster care, and thankfully at 1 year old was adopted by caring parents that support my goals. Being adopted, I know that having support from people who care really matters."



Wesley, a 2012 recipient, is a sophomore at De La Salle North. He is an active member of the Civil Air Patrol, and the Cadet Color Guard, and he has earned his pre-solo pilot wings, thus Z-Man Scholarship Foundation offered to help his flight to success.



The Z-Man Scholarship Foundation would like to extend a heart-felt "Thank you" to 2013's Biggest Donors for their support and devotion

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Foundation welcomes new director

Please join us in welcoming our new executive director: Jenelle Clinton.

"Sometimes, no matter how hard parents work, circumstances require a little help, and that's where the Z-Man Scholarship comes in, Jenelle said. "Z-man is changing lives right before our eyes. The impact will be felt continuously as these students evolve into model citizens."



Sgt. John and Jenelle Clinton

Jenelle brings her compassion as a proud mother of two, her perspective as the wife of a Portland Police Bureau sergeant, and her public relations management expertise from KPTV Fox 12 News.

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We welcome the opportunity to invite new partners to join us in **investing in Oregon, one scholar at a time.**

SAVE THE DATE: 5th Annual Z-Man Wrestling Tournament

Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014 • Liberty H.S., Hillsboro OR

The evolution of the **Z-MAN FOUNDATION**



January 2008 Honorable Portland Police Bureau Officer, Mark Zylawy. End of watch.

Summer 2009 The Z-Man Scholarship Foundation was developed to honor the community service provided by Officer Zylawy, during his 17 years in service for the Portland Police Bureau.

Spring 2008 The loss of Officer Zylawy ignites a unique partnership between fellow officers, private citizens and the business community to development a scholarship foundation.

Fall 2009 Z-Man partners with college preparatory admissions departments to help identify qualified applicants.



Fall 2009 Z-Man launches the Mentorship Program.

2009 PPB members begin donating through payroll deduction.



April 2010 The 1st Annual Auction was coordinated to raise funds. Efforts for this event secure five scholarships.

January 2010 The 1st Annual Wrestling Tournament was established to raise awareness and collect donations.

August 2011 1st Annual Golf Tournament was formed to raise awareness and donations. Efforts for this event secured two scholarships.



October 2013 Z-Man introduces its newest effort: Z-Man Student Police Academy.

April 2013 1st Annual "Talent Within" Talent Show.