



ARIANA MAE HATAMI FOUNDATION QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Summer 2019

We are striving in our mission to change lives...

We are excited to report our first scholarship recipient from the Ariana Mae Hatami Scholarship Endowment at San Francisco State University. There were over 50 applicants and as being one of the members from the SFSU selection committee, it was not an easy task to choose the candidate that met all the criteria. Each of these individual's is worthy to receive financial support. My only regret, is that we are unable to serve everyone collectively. Yet, it is very gratifying that with God's help, we are able to provide and enable this young woman to lift herself up and further her education. She will begin her classes this Fall of 2019. An award will be available to an applicant with each succeeding semester.

If Ariana's legacy is to help one person at a time then we're fulfilling our mission to change a life. If we can connect and touch the lives of many then I'm convinced we're an integral part of God's mission.

<https://titleix.sfsu.edu/content/ariana-mae-hatami-scholarship-victims-domestic-violence>



Ariana's big heart cave - Kona, HI

Painting by local artist, Ernest Young

Domestic Violence Awareness - Message from Ariana:

We're in the midst of creating an educational outreach video for our young people on college and university campuses. The management and faculty members will be urged to utilize this video as part of their first-year (or transfer) orientations. It could also be part of college's Title IX mandate to address "Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence". This video production will shine the spotlight on this life-threatening crime while giving college students a new perspective on what domestic violence really is, its insidious effects and what to do to combat it. The video will also provide support for those survivors who are currently alone in their suffering. It will give them the opportunity to free themselves; empowers them to transform their lives, overcome trauma and ultimately break the generational cycles of domestic violence and abuse.

College students are among the highest risk groups for intimate partner and domestic violence. Unfortunately, this vulnerable group is also the most unlikely to recognize when they're in an abusive relationship. Not only that, nearly 60% of college students admit they don't know how to identify domestic violence and that they wouldn't know what to do to help someone experiencing it. Despite this, colleges and universities have done little to educate their students on the very real risks of abusive relationships and domestic violence. We here at AMHF believe this is something that should change.

Additionally, in our collaboration with the District Attorney's office we've learned that a similar training video is needed and the judicial version will be produced and made available to the "Domestic Violence Prevention – Human Services of San Mateo County". This mandated video will directly benefit the victims/survivor's of domestic violence. Its impact will increase awareness, recognizing signs and getting help with the goal to reduce this terrible crime in our court systems. With cooperation of our schools and judicial system, awareness and prevention will expand within our community.



Radiant Youth Mentorship Program. This program is designed to build community and support for foster teens before they age out of the system. These young lives are stitched with past trauma from domestic violence and they typically resort to unhealthy and often damaging coping mechanisms that can severely hinder their future. The people who are involved with this program, have opportunity to bring hope back in the eyes of these fragile teens. It will change their lives for the better by preventing drug abuse, homelessness and child trafficking which is too often the future of foster teens. AMHF is committed to supporting RYP by providing them scholarships for five 12-13 y/o children to go to Signs of Hope Camp this coming August. This is an overnight summer camp for foster youth held at Mission Springs' Frontier Ranch in the Santa Cruz mountains.

What better way to get involved with our most vulnerable.. foster children. For more information, contact Holly Stewart at hollys@wearepcc.com

Turning a heart shattering tragedy into
hope for victims of violence

All of these endeavors would not be possible without your generous contributions to AMHF. Thank you!

The enormous pain of losing Ariana has become our inspiration to make this foundation a healing site for survivors. On that note, we would like to update you and report our progress on a quarterly basis. If you choose to opt out, please notify the sender and we'll discontinue your newsletter.

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