



**SONOMA VALLEY VINTNERS & GROWERS FOUNDATION
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS BENEFIT LOCAL STUDENTS**

**\$19,000 in Scholarship Funds Awarded to College-Bound Children
of Sonoma Valley Winery or Vineyard Employees**

SONOMA, Calif. (May 19, 2016) – The Sonoma Valley Vintners & Growers Foundation (SVVGF) awarded \$19,000 in scholarship funds to the college bound children of Sonoma Valley Winery or Vineyard employees. Over the past twenty two years, the SVVGF has awarded just under \$275,000 to deserving students who have at least one parent employed by a winery or vineyard within the Sonoma Valley region.

This year's scholarship recipients and their affiliations include:

Grace Avellar, Justin-Sienna High School – Carneros Vineyard Management
Georgia (Gracie) Bundschu, Sonoma Valley High School – Gundlach Bundschu Winery
Alexandra (Lexi) Dobson, Sonoma Valley High School – Larson Family Winery
Callie Hogan, Sonoma Valley High School – Anaba Wines
Ricardo Pulido, Sonoma Valley High School – Gloria Ferrer Caves & Vineyards
Quinn Sheridan, Sonoma Academy – Treasury Wine Estates

SVVGF Scholarship Committee: Pat Stornetta, Chair – Leveroni Vineyards; Jeff Bundschu – Gundlach Bundschu Winery; Alan Ross – Ross Vineyard.

About SVVGA

About Sonoma Valley Vintners & Growers Alliance and Sonoma County Vintners: The Sonoma Valley Vintners & Growers Alliance (SVVGA) is a non-profit organization serving over 500 members who share a mission to promote awareness of Sonoma Valley's grapes, wine and history as the birthplace of the California wine industry. Sonoma Valley comprises five of the seventeen American Viticulture Areas (AVAs) of Sonoma County: Bennett Valley, Los Carneros, Moon Mountain District, Sonoma Mountain and Sonoma Valley. To learn more about the SVVGA visit <http://www.sonomavalleywine.com> or call 707-935-0803.

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