

# Paving the way for tomorrow's CPAs



"An accounting degree would not be an option without this scholarship. With your support, I can continue to make a positive impact through my leadership role on campus and continue to pursue the CPA designation."

**Shirley Paredes**  
Scholarship Recipient and Student Ambassador



Dear Attendee:

I trust you have a story to tell about how your career has enriched your life. And I imagine you didn't make it to where you are today on your own. Most likely, you had teachers, parents and mentors who went out of their way to support and advise you. Perhaps you even received scholarships or loans that helped you overcome financial hurdles.

In one way or another, someone invested in you to help make your success possible. By donating to the CPA Endowment Fund, the Illinois CPA Society's charitable partner, you can pay it forward and support accounting students.

Many scholarship recipients are responsible for paying every penny of their tuition, housing and fees. It's astonishing that students can focus on their education with that type of burden. These students describe long hours spent at part-time jobs trying to make ends meet, and devoted parents who struggle to pay for their child's education but simply can't afford to.

**Scholarships are the only way many students will be able to join this esteemed profession.**

The Fund annually awards \$165,000 in scholarships and training programs to more than 100 of the most diverse and deserving accounting students across the state. Every year, we have more qualified applicants than awards to give. Your gift will help close that gap and directly support future CPAs.

Thank you,

Kari Natale  
Director, CPA Endowment Fund of Illinois

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