

Attention Students of Hispanic Descent

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Charities(R)/Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources (R) (RMHC/HACER) Scholarship. The scholarship application period is open November 12, 2010 through January 28, 2011.

Scholarship amounts vary from one RMHC Chapter to another and include a \$100,000 national scholarship granted to four graduating high school students. Students can apply for an RMHC/HACER Scholarship electronically by visiting <http://www.rmhc.org> or <http://www.MeEncanta.com>.

High school counselors or college placement advisors can request additional information regarding the RMHC/HACER Scholarship Program by calling 1-866-851-3994.

"As a commitment to education and an investment in future leaders, at Ronald McDonald House Charities we are proud to award Hispanic students nationally with RMHC/HACER scholarships of up to \$100,000," said Martin J. Coyne, President and CEO of Ronald McDonald House Charities, Inc. "With education costs spiraling ever higher, a college education is beyond the financial reach of many outstanding students. The RMHC/HACER Scholarship Program provides financial aid for students who are excellent role models in their communities and have the initiative to fulfill their educational aspirations."

Since 1985, RMHC/HACER has awarded more than \$20 million in scholarships to nearly 14,000 Hispanic students in the U.S., becoming one of the nation's largest programs providing financial support for college-bound Hispanic high school seniors. RMHC/HACER scholarship recipients are students with financial need who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and community involvement.

In 2008, a national scholarship was added to the RMHC/HACER Scholarship Program. The RMHC/HACER National Scholarship awards four students with a scholarship of \$100,000 to help finance their college education expenses. Recipients of the RMHC/HACER National Scholarship are currently completing their college education at universities across the country including Harvard, M.I.T., and Brown University.

"RMHC/HACER is a dream come true, a blessing, and an opportunity to any student, especially students with financial disadvantages, who strive for a better future," said Ariana J. Chavez,

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2010 RMHC/HACER National Scholarship recipient and current freshman at the University of California, Davis. "Thanks to RMHC/HACER, and the work I've invested in my studies, and my community, I'm able to pursue a higher education without finances standing in the way."

RMHC/HACER is a program of Ronald McDonald House Charities and its participating local Chapters, which provide scholarships in several regions of the country. The program is supported through the efforts of McDonald's(R) owner/operators, local and national community leaders and individual donors. More information about the RMHC/HACER Scholarship Program is available at <http://www.rmhc.org> and <http://www.MeEncanta.com>.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), an independent non-profit 501 (c) (3) corporation, creates, finds and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. Through its global network of local Chapters in 52 countries and regions, its three core programs, the Ronald McDonald House(R), Ronald McDonald Family Room(R) and Ronald McDonald Care Mobile(R), and millions of dollars in grants to support children's programs worldwide, RMHC provides stability and resources to families so they can get and keep their children healthy and happy. All RMHC-supported programs provide a bridge to quality health care and give children and families the time they need together to heal faster and cope better. For more information, visit <http://www.rmhc.org>, follow us on Twitter (@RMHC), or like us on Facebook (Facebook.com/RMHC Global).