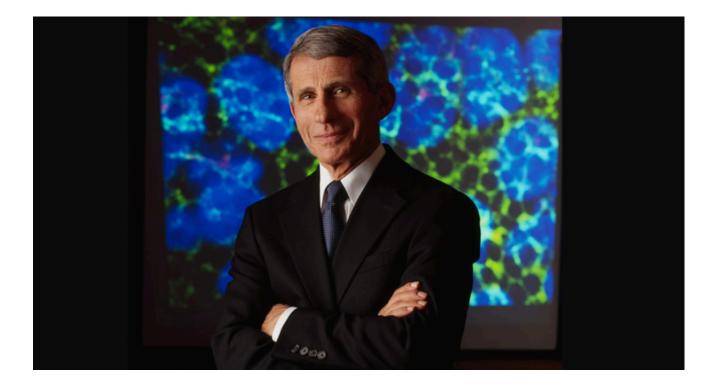
The first Annual Scholarship to Italian American Students Who Exemplify the Values and Determination of Dr. Fauci



DR. ANTHONY S. FAUCI SCHOLARSHIP – CREATED FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH FIELDS – NOW ACCEPTING APPLICANTS. Columbus Citizens Foundation to award the first \$25,000 Annual Scholarship to Italian American Students Who Exemplify the Values and Determination of Dr. Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and Chief Medical Advisor to President Joe Biden

Columbus Citizens Foundation (CCF) will today begin accepting applications for a new scholarship to support Italian Americans with great academic prowess seeking financial aid at the graduate level in medical and public health fields of study. The scholarship will be awarded annually, recipients will be chosen by a qualified standing committee and the scholarship is to be awarded in the name of Dr. Anthony S. Fauci.

Columbus Citizens Foundation awards approximately \$2 million annually in multi-year elementary, high school and college scholarships to academically qualified Italian American students with demonstrated financial need. Since the program began in 1984, CCF has awarded \$30 million in scholarship support to thousands of students. Building on this legacy, CCF has now created the Dr. Anthony S. Fauci Scholarship for students who intend to study medicine with a focus on epidemiology or public health. The scholarship will provide each student \$25,000 per year, for four years, at the medical college or university of his or her choice.



CCF Executive Director, Lisa Ackerman, noted: "We are thrilled to be adding this scholarship to our existing program. The qualities of empathy, understanding and perseverance that Dr. Fauci has exemplified throughout his career, will all be prerequisites for potential candidates. Applicants can apply from February 16 until April 1. A steering committee of medical professionals will help us evaluate all applications and ensure that a deserving student is selected."

Columbus Citizens Foundation is best known for organizing the biggest Columbus Day Parade in the world in a massive annual celebration of our shared Italian heritage and culture. Dr. Fauci was previously named as a Columbus Celebration Honoree in 1988, for his ground-breaking work on curbing the AIDS epidemic worldwide.

To learn more on the application process for the Dr. Anthony S. Fauci Scholarship, please visit: <u>www.columbuscitizensfd.org</u> [2].

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