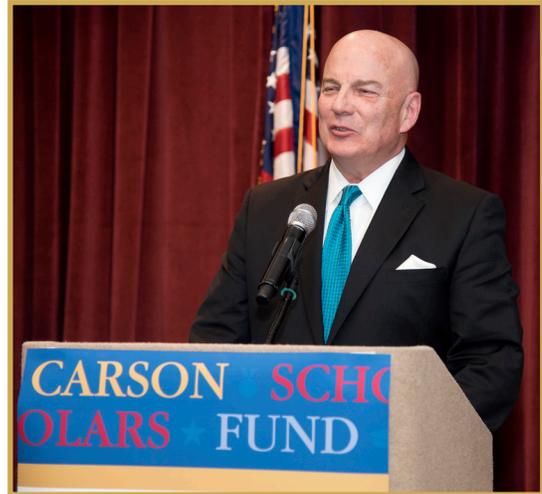


GREENSBORO chapter spotlight 2017



Sheraton Greensboro Hotel | Greensboro, NC
April 25, 2017

2017 New Scholars: **22**

2017 Recognized Scholars: **16**

Cumulative North Carolina Scholars: **79**

Highlights: Rosemary Plybon, host of *This is Greensboro* on Greensboro Television News, emceed the 2nd Annual Greensboro Carson Scholars Awards Banquet. 2017 Carson Scholar, Tejas Santanam, shared his scholar essay on youth advocacy with banquet guests. Tom McDevitt, chairman of *The Washington Times*, delivered the keynote address, in which he focused on the importance of investing in your education.

\$22,502.74* have been paid out to colleges on behalf of the scholars who won their awards in North Carolina and the surrounding areas.

**As of fiscal year 2017*



Commitment in North Carolina



Capri D'Souza

2017 Carson Scholar
Northwest High School
Greensboro, NC

Capri is a fervent reader with an insatiable desire to learn and grow. Capri served as president of Student Council in her sophomore year and was awarded MVP for the Speech and Debate Team, for which she is also the director of service learning. In 2016, she was awarded a U.S. Congressional Medal for completing her Girl Scout Gold Award. Capri is also a principal violinist with the Greensboro Symphony Youth Philharmonic, a soccer player and is on track to be Northwest's valedictorian for the Class of 2018. She is co-founder of Girls for a Change which works with the Greensboro Urban Ministry and fundraises for Mary's House, a local women's shelter. Capri plans to become a lawyer to continue to be an advocate for justice for those who cannot advocate for themselves.

Tejas is a tireless worker with a strong work ethic and motivation to succeed. Tejas is a member of the Greensboro Youth Leadership Council. He managed the youth leadership homelessness project, connecting students to service projects that serve the homeless of Greensboro. Tejas is a member of the National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, Math Club and enjoys programming and strategizing on the Robotics Team. He participates in the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra and the Piedmont Youth Clarinet Ensemble. At the Center for New North Carolinians, Tejas tutors young refugee children in English and enjoys watching his students grow and learn how to operate in a new environment.



Tejas Sanatanam

2017 Carson Scholar
The Early College at Guilford
Greensboro, NC



Abigail Sullivan

2-time Carson Scholar
Brown Summit Middle School
Browns Summit, NC

Abigail, who aspires to be a special education teacher when she is older, is dedicated to helping others. She served at the Interactive Resource Center, where she collected and distributed items to the homeless. She also serves food to the homeless at Hot Dish and Hope with her family each month. Singing is a passion of Abigail's, and she enjoys using her talents during the holidays to sing Christmas carols at local nursing homes. She is a member of the North Carolina Honors Chorus, All-County Chorus and the Community Theater of Greensboro. When she is not serving her community, Abigail loves to read, write, cook, and participate on swim and dance teams.

“Being a Carson Scholar showed me that people my age can change the world. It shows me that I can make a difference.”

2017 Carson Scholar