



## 2017 Foundation Scholars Announced

Building on its 32 year legacy of assisting long term care staff in furthering their education, the Massachusetts Senior Care Foundation is proud to announce its [2017 Foundation Scholars](#). This year's class of 35 exceptional awardees include Certified Nursing Assistants, nurses, human resource, dietary and other facility staff who will use their scholarships to further their professional development and leadership in the long term care profession. The 2017 Foundation Scholars represent a broad cross-section of staff and facilities across Massachusetts among the 150 applicants for this year's program.

"Many of our Foundation Scholars have overcome major life challenges to get to where they are today. In addition to successfully balancing their jobs, studies and family lives, they are often leaders and role models within their facilities and communities," commented Foundation President Marva Serotkin. "They are an exceptional group of individuals."

"With the rising cost of living and tuition, a \$2,000 scholarship can make all the difference in whether a person can take that next course or step to reach their educational goals" noted Mass Senior Care Foundation Executive Director Carolyn Blanks. "The compelling stories, dedication and commitment of so many long term care staff who care for their residents "like family" make the annual selection process a difficult one for the program's reviewers."

The Foundation is grateful for the generosity of our donors, whose contributions have helped nearly 1,600 individuals achieve their professional and personal goals, while contributing to a stable and committed long term care workforce. For more information about the Foundation please visit [www.maseniorcarefoundation.org](http://www.maseniorcarefoundation.org).