Report of the Board of Directors of the CWA Joe Beirne Foundation to the 80th Annual Convention



Communications Workers of America August 11-12, 2025 Pittsburgh, PA



Joseph Anthony Beirne — 1911-1974

The CWA Joe Beirne Foundation presents its report to the 80th Convention of the Communications Workers of America.

Current Activities Review

The foundation granted 16 first-year scholarships of \$4,000 each for 2024-2025 and 16 second-year scholarships of \$4,000 each for 2024-2025. At the 2025 annual meeting, the foundation approved 16 first-year scholarships of \$4,000 each for 2025-2026.

The Joe Beirne Foundation has contributed \$10,000 to the CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies (formerly The Murphy Institute) Diversity Scholarship Program. The CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies Scholarship expects to award eight scholarships over the next year; students will receive up to \$30,000 each. In addition to a monetary award, recipients will be provided with mentorship, internship opportunities, and an exceptional program of study with some of the most acclaimed labor studies faculty in the country. With these incentives, we expect to attract a pool of young social justice activists from around the country.

Respectfully,

Claude Cummings, Jr., President Ameenah Salaam, Secretary-Treasurer Chris Shelton, Vice President Larry Cohen, Vice President Linda Hinton, Vice President

CWA JOE BEIRNE SCHOLARSHIP FIRST-YEAR WINNERS 2025-2026

WINNER	RELATIONSHIP TO CWA MEMBER	LOCAL
Isabella Wisdom Guest	Daughter of Laura Wisdom Guest	1038
Govindi Ramcharan	Daughter of Dularie Ramcharan	1040
Madeline Parker	Daughter of Christine Parker	1400
Brandon Degener	Son of Daniel Degener	1118
Zaria Clement	Daughter of Jarvis Clement	1085
Reginald Scott III	Son of Reginald Scott Jr.	14200
Abbie Evans	Daughter of Chad Evans	3519
Andrew Friel	Member	3312
Usnije Fonseca	Daughter of Wendy Fonseca	4603
Teon Delk	Son of Raqual Robinson	4340
Cartavious Thomas-Ayers	Member	6508
Sydnee Marshall	Daughter of David Marshall	6215
Grant Zilka	Son of Keith Zilka	7108
Piha'eu Akiona	Daughter of Valerie-Ann Akiona	29043
Isis Chavez	Daughter of Juan Chavez	59053
Zoe' Clin	Member	30213

CWA JOE BEIRNE SCHOLARSHIP SECOND-YEAR WINNERS 2024-2025

WINNER	RELATIONSHIP TO CWA MEMBER	LOCAL
Toemars Levell	Son of Tasha Graham	1101
Nailah Thomas	Self	1037
Chelsea Walsh	Daughter of Timothy Walsh	1103
Alex Glynn	Son of Sandra Tan	31026
Alejandro Boxx	Son of Jeffrey Boxx	1170
Amberleigh Fretwell	Daughter of Ian Thomas	2222
Paris Iqbal	Daughter of Victoria Munoz	3640
Brayden Degueyter	Son of Nicholas Degueyter	3406
Branden Haywood	Son of Willie Webb	4320
Jordyn Zittle	Daughter of Jason Zittle	4302
Natalie Anderson	Daughter of Joe Anderson	6012
Holden Guilfoyle	Son of Timothy Guilfoyle	6410
Reina Lujan	Self	7076
Jayleen Ramirez	Daughter of Fernando Ramirez	9333
Charles D. Cease	Son of Editha Cease	9003
Elisabeth Coppard-Reuten	Daughter of Pat Coppard	30223