The California Homicide Investigators Association Scholarship Program is designed to provide funds to family member(s) of homicide victims in support of their education and/or job training efforts. Preference will be given to applicants seeking their first college degree or technical job training and who have been referred by a State of California Police Agency or homicide detective directly involved in the homicide investigation.

Education is a powerful tool which breaks down barriers and opens doors of opportunity. The objective of the C.H.I.A. Scholarship Program is to help family members of homicide victims obtain an education that will in turn offer them the chance to secure employment, personal independence and self-sufficiency. Support is available for full or part-time students interested in attending accredited programs at any of the educational institutions listed below, in order of preference:

* State supported colleges or universities
* State supported community colleges
* Technical/vocational schools
* Private colleges or universities
* For Profit schools

Eligible applicants must be attending or have been accepted to attend one of the above listed educational institutions and submit at **minimum a 400-word** essay detailing **future life goals**. The applicant must have a documented minimum **GPA of 2.5 or higher** and meet the minimum entry requirements of the educational institution of their choice.

Scholarships will be awarded in the following amounts:

• **Two $ 5000.00 Scholarship Awards**