



Stanislaus
Community
Foundation

Charitable Giving Profile

Martella Family Scholarship Fund



Fund Purpose

The **Martella Family Scholarship Fund** was established to help fund higher education for:

- Martella Farms and Grower Direct employees
- Children and grandchildren of Martella Farms and Grower direct employees

Scholarship Award

The amount of this scholarship will range from \$500 to \$1,000 for one year. The purpose of this scholarship is to help pay for educational expenses such as tuition, institutional fees and books.

Eligibility

- Current employees of Martella Farms and Grower Direct must have a minimum of three years of continuous employment
- Student must attend an accredited two or four year college or university for undergraduate or graduate studies
- Student must have a cumulative GPA of a least 2.5

Selection

The Stanislaus Community Foundation Scholarship Committee, made up of independent community members/volunteers, will review and select the final applicant from all eligible candidates. Finalists will be selected based upon financial need, academic merit, and personal statement.

Award

The scholarship will be issued over the course of one academic year. Student may apply for a renewal grant for up to four years. Continuous, full-time enrollment (no fewer than 12 units per quarter/semester) is a requirement. Stanislaus Community Foundation will disburse the award directly to the university on behalf of the recipient, upon proof of enrollment (to be furnished by the student directly to Stanislaus Community Foundation).

How to Apply

Submit a complete application through Stanislaus Community Foundation's online application portal at www.StanislausCF.org/receive/scholarships.

For questions, call (209) 576-1608 or email aschubert@StanislausCF.org.

About Martella Farms and Grower Direct Nut Company

Martella Farms and Grower Direct Nut Company are owned and operated by the Martella Family. Their family's roots as farmers in Stanislaus County go back four generations. Originally dedicated to growing and harvesting their own walnuts, today they serve many local growers with a commercial harvesting business and one of the largest walnut hullers, dehydrators and processors in California.

Every generation of the family has volunteered in community, church and school organizations. The Martellas believe a college education is paramount to a prosperous community and bright future.

"A lot of our workers have helped us get to where we are today, and we're a team, in that sense. It's nice for us, as employers, to provide that extra boost through scholarships."