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**Cal Coast Cares Foundation Announces 2018 Scholarship Applications
for High School Seniors and Foster Youth**

SAN DIEGO – March 9, 2018 – The Cal Coast Cares Foundation has announced it will award up to \$35,000 in scholarships this year for college-bound high school seniors and current or former foster students in San Diego or Riverside counties.

“The Cal Coast Cares Foundation scholarship award programs recognizes outstanding students and foster youth for their dedication to academic excellence and community leadership,” said California Coast Credit Union President & CEO Todd Lane. “Sadly, too many foster students spend years in the foster care system moving from one school district to another, so it is tough to find stable ground. Through our scholarship programs, the foundation is determined to provide educational opportunities to help them to find stability and achieve great success.”

Scholarship applications for foster students as well as college-bound high school seniors are available here: <https://www.calcoastcu.org/cal-coast-cares-foundation.htm>. All applications must be received or postmarked no later than March 31, 2018.

In addition, the Foundation will award \$12,000 in grants to local educators for classroom-based projects. Information on grant opportunities can be found here: <https://www.calcoastcu.org/cal-coast-cares-foundation.htm>. All grant applications must be received or postmarked no later than June 30, 2018.

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Cal Coast Cares Foundation was established by California Coast Credit Union in 2015 as a non-profit organization to give back to the community by providing scholarship opportunities for local students and grants for educators. You can help students and teachers by donating to the Cal Coast Cares Foundation here: <https://www.calcoastcu.org/benefit-and-connect-giving-back.htm>.

About California Coast Credit Union

Established by San Diego teachers in 1929, California Coast Credit Union is the longest-serving financial institution based in San Diego and holds true to its founders' guiding principle of "people helping people." With approximately \$2.5 billion in assets, the credit union now proudly serves more than 160,000 members through its local network of 25 branches and 60 shared branch locations, and 30,000 fee-free ATMs nationwide. California Coast is not-for-profit, provides no-cost financial education for adults and youth, and is committed to improving the lives of its members and others in the community. Anyone who lives or works in San Diego or Riverside counties can be a member. For more information, visit calcoastcu.org or call (877) 495-1600.

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