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Scholarship Encourages Future Public School Teachers *High School Seniors from LBUSD and GGUSD Are Eligible*

LONG BEACH, CA — The Long Beach Community Foundation is now offering scholarships for future public school teachers. Applicants must be seniors in the Long Beach Unified School District or the Garden Grove Unified School District who plan to attend an accredited four-year public college or university in California. These scholarships are made possible through the Larry Acterman Public Education Award fund in amounts between \$1,000 and \$2,500. Eligible students can apply by visiting https://longbeachcf.org/larry-acterman. All applications must be submitted no later than 5pm on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

The Larry Acterman Public Education Award fund is a permanently endowed fund held at the Long Beach Community Foundation. It was created by Steve Acterman and Amy (Acterman) Tenderich in 2001 to ensure their father's lifelong commitment to public education continues through future generations of teachers.

"Our father was an outstanding teacher with a passion for public education," said Steve Acterman. "This scholarship carries on his legacy by encouraging and supporting the next generation of public school teachers in California."

To apply, students must complete an online application form, write a 500 - 1000 word essay on the topic of public education, submit three letters of recommendation and provide a copy of their official high school transcript that demonstrates outstanding scholastic ability.

About the Larry Acterman Public Education Award Fund

The fund honors Larry Acterman's 33-year commitment to public education in Long Beach as well as his influential leadership role on behalf of public schools at the local, regional and

national levels by providing a scholarship that assists outstanding students pursue careers as public school teachers in California.

Contributions to help grow the Larry Acterman Public Education Award fund can be made at https://longbeachcf.org/donate/larry-acterman/.

About the Long Beach Community Foundation

The Long Beach Community Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, public organization with more than \$55 million in assets and 176 charitable funds. It was established in 1996 to make strategic grants to nonprofits, and assist individual donors with their philanthropic goals today and through planned giving. Fees charged to manage charitable funds at the Foundation are invested directly back into the community. LBCF's mission is to initiate positive change for Long Beach through charitable giving, stewardship, and strategic grant making with a vision of being the preeminent steward of endowments serving the needs of Long Beach in perpetuity.

LBCF operations are led by President & CEO Marcelle Epley and oversight is provided by Board Chair Gary DeLong, Vice Chair Robert Stemler, and Board members Michele Dobson, Bob Foster, Tony Gales, Mark Guillen, Donita Joseph, Annette Kashiwabara, Steve Keesal, Frank Newell, Suzanne Nosworthy, and Judy Ross.