"It doesn't take a lot of money to give some help," says CFVI donor, Norma Levin. Ms. Levin is a long time supporter of the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands and is the fund donor of the NSL Graduate Studies Fund, which was established at the Foundation more than 10 years ago.

"As my 80th birthday approached thoughts of celebrating arose," said Levin. “To ask a few of my friends to join me at my favorite restaurant would cost around $500 or more. Around that time, a good friend asked me If I knew anyone that could sponsor scholarships for local students, and in that moment, I decided – no dinner party.” Her 80th – and 90th! – birthday came and went, but Ms. Levin continues to provide scholarships to students within the territory.

The NSL Graduate Studies Fund awards $2,000 to one student each year who is pursuing a graduate degree in humanities, social sciences or fine arts. Thanks to the generosity of donors like Ms. Levin, more Virgin Island students can pursue their dreams of higher education.

In 2017, CFVI awarded more than $100,000 in scholarships to students throughout the territory. Sponsored by First Bank VI, an annual awards reception celebrated scholarship and grant recipients, donors and community partners on August 3rd at the Prior-Jollek Courtyard at Antilles School.

(Names of scholarship recipients and awards are listed on page 4.)

Consider establishing a scholarship fund at CFVI! Contact our Development Director at katrinb@cfvi.net for more information.

**CFVI and Daily News Collab!**

We have some very exciting news! CFVI and the Daily News will be bringing you a new feature in the local paper which will highlight non profit organizations, donors, volunteers and beneficiaries within the Territory. This new section will feature profiles, wish lists/needs, events, and general philanthropic news and information to help connect members of the community and reinvigorate the VI “Village.” There will be more information to come! Know that your organization will have the opportunity to publicize information about its programs, needs and offerings. Contact us at general.info@cfvi.net to join our emailing list. Be the first to know about our upcoming initiatives!
The Next Generation Scholars Program (NGSP) Summer Institute is a program enhancement funded by the Kimelman Family Fund. The closing ceremony took place on August 12, 2017 at the Charlotte Kimelman Cancer Institute. Students were joined with their parents and former NGSP members to celebrate the completion of the summer program.

Jenisha Stapleton, a former NGSP Scholar, was a guest speaker at the event. Stapleton encouraged the Scholars to always do their best and to use the resources that are available to them. As a junior at the Bryn Mawr College, Stapleton is appreciative of the support she received as a member and now mentor of the Next Generation Scholars Program.

Scholars moved attendees to tears, as they shared stories about life lessons and experiences within their personal essays. Students also presented their poster board projects to attendees with their career and college choices, including information about their goals for the upcoming year.

The Summer Institute is a 4 week program dedicated to preparing Scholars for the college application process. Students met twice a week to prepare for their senior year. For the first time, the Summer Institute hired a writing instructor to work with students on their writing styles and techniques. At the end of the program, students created a professional college/career package, which included personal essays and a comprehensive list of colleges and universities and scholarship opportunities they will apply to in the fall. Their packages also included possible internship and volunteer opportunities that are available within the territory.

2017 NGS Scholars
Jadiah Bailey | Brianna Cromwell | Hezekiah George | Twanique Gordon | Brianna John Baptiste | Shamyah Joseph |

Thank you, Angels!
Angels are caring members of the community that give an annual donation of $500 or more to the Foundation. Become an Angel and join the largest philanthropic network in the territory. With your generosity, Virgin Islanders will continue to receive the support they need. Many thanks to our Angels, because you enable us to do all that we do! Interested in becoming an Angel? Contact our Development Director at katrinb@cfvi.net.
**Staff Highlight: Who is CFVI?**

**Brittany A. Brin**  
*CFVI Communications and Programs Manager*  
**Hometown:** St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
**Education:** I attended All Saints Cathedral School K-12 and graduated in June of 2009. I obtained both my bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Communication at Loyola University Maryland.

**Describe your role at CFVI.** “As the Communications and Programs Manager, I am responsible for increasing awareness of CFVI programs, offerings and donor services. I also manage the Foundation’s existing and newly developed programs.

**What is the best part of your job?** “The best part of my job is knowing that our programs/services are working towards improving the lives of families within the territory.”

**Random fact about yourself:** “In high school, I was a member of the VI National Volleyball team and travelled to Trinidad & Tobago to represent the territory.”

**VI Students Receive Summer Enrichment Scholarships**

Each year, CFVI awards summer enrichment scholarship to students to attend high quality summer programs within the Territory and abroad. This year, CFVI awarded a total of $20,000 in summer enrichment grants, that were given to programs that could assist in placing students at high quality programs or to organizations that were providing enriching summer opportunities. Scholarships were awarded to foster children living within the territory and to children who had high financial need.

These offerings were provided by our generous donors, who make an annual donation of $500 or more to the Foundation. Students ages 5-17 attended music, sports and art programs on St. Thomas and St. Croix.

**2017 CFVI Summer Enrichment Grant Recipients**  
Department of Human Services- Foster Care Unit  
Lutheran Social Services-Queen Louise Home for the Children  
PSP Summer Camp  
World Ocean School– Roseway Schooner  
VI Children’s Museum

For more information about our summer enrichment scholarships, visit our website at [www.cfvi.net](http://www.cfvi.net).

**CFVI Directory of Community Organizations**

Our 2016-2017 Community Organization Directories are still available. Contact us at 340-774-6031 to receive a copy today. Directories are also available online at [www.cfvi.net](http://www.cfvi.net). If you would like your organization to be included in our 2018-2019 directory, please fill out the form in the link below or contact us at general.info@cfvi.net.

[https://goo.gl/forms/E65hkQCWNmftTxaB3](https://goo.gl/forms/E65hkQCWNmftTxaB3)
Scholarship Recipients/ Scholarship Awards
Adesha Gumbs, Alexander A. Farrelly Scholarship
Ajayi Pickering Haynes, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Chasen Richards, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Cyana Francis, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Denzel Laurent, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Georgerine Wright, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Iyahnna Hiss, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
J’Had Ferris, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Keesha Stuart, Anna Greene Walsh Scholarship
Nirisha Commodore, Artrelle M. Wheatley Scholarship
George Francis II, Blackhall Scholarship Award
Dalissa Lettsome, CAHS Class of 1951 Scholarship
De’Unee Liburd, CAHS Class of 1951 Scholarship
Amal Bryson, Coral World Scholarship
Habeeba O’Neil, Falek Family Fund Scholarship
Alex Cintron, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Ameera Mustafa, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Briault Atemazem, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Cassia Smith, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Chanae Ottley, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Iris Battiste, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Mhina Barry, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Pooja Chainani, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Shaquaneen Fenton, Heavy Materials Scholarship
Stuart Liburd, Jr., Heavy Materials Scholarship
Tori Huynh, Isaac & Rebecca Paiewonsky Scholarship
Ioash Lake, Isaac & Rebecca Paiewonsky Scholarship
Tommy Wise, Isaac & Rebecca Paiewonsky Scholarship
Diamond Lewis, Isaac & Rebecca Paiewonsky Scholarship
Brianna Berry, Junior Angels Scholarship
Addis Miller, Kitty Koenig-Probyn Scholarship
Malik Alexander, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Shadora’h Donadelle, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Ja’Shonique Greenaway, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Shirmara O’Garro, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Mariamma Richards, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Yari Munoz, Kym’s Kids Caribbean Scholarship
Arnon Nickie, Lana Vento Scholarship
Antonio Farchette (Graduate), Lana Vento Scholarship
Jan-Alexis Barry (Graduate), Lana Vento Scholarship
Louisa Fredey, Lana Vento Scholarship
Tekettay Ludvig, Lana Vento Scholarship
Chinique Charles, Marvin A. Blyden Scholarship
Makeda Mills, Marvin A. Blyden Scholarship
Mariamma Richards, Marvin A. Blyden Scholarship
P’Azhae Harrigan, Marvin A. Blyden Scholarship
Shanique Henley, Marvin A. Blyden Scholarship
Alliyah Desout, Milan & Ailiki Glumidge Memorial Scholars Award
Nisha Hodge, NSL Graduate Studies Scholarship

Shanik George
Next Generation Scholar Award Recipient

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