

Helping support the higher  
education of Salem-area  
ethnic minority students



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## Thompson-Patch Scholarship Fund

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# HONORING RACIAL JUSTICE AND EQUALITY



In 1976 the Pauline Memorial AME Zion Church, was nearly destroyed by arson. Because of this event, Dorothy Patch, long time school teacher and community activist and Rev. Nellie Thompson, founder of the Pauline Memorial AME Zion Church, began to work together to find ways to change Salem's racial climate. These two pioneers in racial diversity have lifted a strong voice for racial justice and equality in Salem.

Motivated by their courage and leadership, the Nellie Thompson-Dorothy Patch Scholarship Fund was established in 1995 to help students of racial and/or ethnic origin in Salem achieve their dreams.

## DONATIONS



100 percent of donations go directly towards scholarships to help pay for school. Make a difference in your community by becoming a Thompson-Patch Scholarship Donor!

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Graduating high school senior from the Salem-Keizer school district or the Chemawa Indian School identifying as Native American, Latinx, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, or as a person of color.

We aim to help those students of color who have overcome difficult life challenges, support their community, show a strong desire to give back to their community in the future, and find it difficult to obtain education and training beyond high school.

