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**SIERRA PACIFIC FOUNDATION GRANTS \$378,500 IN
SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Sierra Pacific Foundation, the philanthropic organization founded by the Emerson Family, recently marked its twenty-ninth year in granting scholarships to dependant children of Sierra Pacific Industries.

This year 188 students will collectively receive \$378,500 to attend colleges, universities and trade schools during the 2008-2009 school year.

"The Scholarship Committee was very impressed with the students that were interviewed this year", said Carolyn Emerson Dietz, Sierra Pacific Foundation President. "We are proud to help these fine young women and men further their education."

The Sierra Pacific Foundation was founded in 1979. In addition to scholarships, the Foundation contributes to youth activities and other organizations in the communities where Sierra Pacific Industries operates.

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