

# The Rankin File



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## Patricia B., Media Arts

Patricia is a JRF Scholar in Pennsylvania working on her Bachelor's of Arts in Media Arts. She has an impressive 4.0 GPA and has been working full-time as the sole financial provider for her family! Patricia has been a graphic designer for nearly two decades, but she needs to further her education to keep up with the recent changes in the graphic design industry. Patricia is hoping to increase her earning potential to be able to better provide for her husband and their two children. She is so grateful for her scholarship from JRF and says: *As an older, non-traditional college student, scholarship opportunities are few and far between. I greatly appreciate the opportunity that the Jeannette Rankin Scholarship has provided me.*

### **The Jeannette Rankin Scholarship**

A scholarship which seeks to empower low income women over the age of 35, who are pursuing a technical or vocational education, an associate's degree, or a first bachelor's degree, by putting them on a route to success.



## Scholarship Applications Open NOW!

### **The Emerge Scholarship**

A scholarship for low income women residents of the state of Georgia who are over the age of 25, who have had education interrupted, overcome significant obstacles, and continue to give back to their communities.

Find more information about our scholarships here:  
<https://rankinfoundation.org/for-students>  
Applications close February 29, 2020

# Star Party Athens - Sept. 24

Star Party Athens was an incredible success thanks to our many supporters, sponsors, and volunteers! Thank you to everyone who was a part of the Star Party. Together, we raised \$44,154 to empower women to shine through education. Thank you especially to our amazing event co-chairs, Genie Snyder-Chamberlin, Catherine Hollingsworth, and Cynthea Wilson for your leadership. We had a wonderful evening together celebrating the accomplishments of JRF Scholars and we surpassed our fundraising goal to provide scholarships to more women!



# Star Party Atlanta - Nov. 7

We had a spectacular evening at the Star Party Atlanta, and we're so grateful for our many supports, sponsors, and volunteers who were a part of it! Together, we raised \$90,617 to empower women to shine through education. Thank you to our amazing event co-chairs, Libby Toborg Pollock, Vashti Canty, Liz Pavey, Cyndy Marsh Gay, and Monica Nixon for your leadership. Because of your support, we surpassed our fundraising goal and are able to continue our mission of empowering women across the U.S. through education!



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## Bridget S., Nursing

Bridget is a JRF Scholar from Iowa and is looking forward to receiving her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing this upcoming Spring! With a 3.75 GPA, Bridget has certainly maintained an amazing level of excellence despite her difficult past. Before she received her LPN certification in 2007, Bridget and her children shuffled between homeless shelters as she struggled to study and become certified. Once she received her certification, her family's life greatly improved. However, she knew that she did not want to stop there. Bridget went on to get her associate's degree in nursing during the Spring of 2018. She has deep compassion for the patients she currently sees in clinic. And, with her more advanced degree, she will continue to diversify the health force and continue to advocate for preventative health programming in her community. Bridget says: *Right now the only hindrance in completing my goal is my finances. I support my family on a single income. Last year I didn't have enough money to pay for my mental health and pediatric books, so I went without for the whole semester. I used whatever I could find on the internet and class notes. I was happy to pass these classes. Without the help I will receive from the Jeannette Rankin scholarship, continuing my education would not be possible.*