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SCV Water Announces the ACWA Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach Scholarship for 2024/25 is Now Available

*ACWA’s 2024/25 Scholarship Opportunities Are Now Open
College Students are Encouraged to Apply by March 1*

Established in honor of the late Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach, a past ACWA president, SCV Water vice president, and longtime local, state, and national water leader, the 2024/25 Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach Scholarship opportunity is now available on the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) website.

This annual ACWA Scholarship awards \$2,500 to one qualified undergraduate student majoring in engineering, agricultural and/or urban water supply, environmental studies, public administration, or other water-resource-related fields.

“We’re excited for this scholarship opportunity to open for the 2024/25 school year,” said SCV Water President Gary Martin. “Not only will this opportunity provide support to students in need, but it will also attract and retain future talent into the water industry, which is part of Jerry’s legacy – to inspire the next generation of water professionals.”

About the Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach Scholarship

The Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach Scholarship is awarded through the ACWA Scholarship Program to a full-time undergraduate student attending an accredited University of California or California State University. Scholarship applications are now open through March 1, 2024. For a list of qualifications and eligibility requirements, and a link to the online application system, please visit the Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach Scholarship page:

<https://www.acwa.com/about/scholarships/edward-g-jerry-gladbach-scholarship/>

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About Edward G. “Jerry” Gladbach:

Jerry was first elected to the Castaic Lake Water Agency Board in 1985 and served when CLWA merged with other local water entities to become SCV Water in January 2018. He was vice president at the time of his passing and served as president from 1987-1991. One of the many projects he championed was the construction of the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant, which broke ground in 1991. The plant more than doubled the Agency’s capacity for treating imported water. He also played a key role in increasing the imported water supply by 13% through the acquisition of the Devil’s Den Water District in Kern County in 1991. Jerry served on the SCV Water Board until his passing in July 2022.

About ACWA's Scholarship Program

ACWA began its scholarship programs in 1961 to motivate committed students to join the effort to ensure California's water quality through sound management policies. The scholarship program is all about investing in future water leaders. Our hope is to cultivate a bright future for students who are dedicated to working for a safe, stable water supply for all Californians. For a list of qualifications and eligibility requirements, and a link to the online application system, please visit ACWA's scholarships page at www.acwa.com/about/scholarships.

About SCV Water

The Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) is a full-service regional water agency located in the Santa Clarita Valley. SCV Water provides water service to approximately 75,000 business and residential customers. It was formed on January 1, 2018, when local water suppliers combined into one integrated regional water provider. More information can be found at www.yourSCVwater.com

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