

Crystal Mariscal Scholarship

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Dear friends, family and community neighbors,

Please allow me to introduce to you one of the most exciting achievements in my life! The Crystal Mariscal Scholarship by the **River Center**.

This scholarship is based on the belief of education as the initial foundation to defeat poverty and break systematic barriers.

This scholarship is important to me since my story relates to many out there seeking hope for a better future. I became a mother at a very young age and ultimately a single parent of 4 kids. In the process I also overcame domestic violence. Unfortunately due to all of these circumstances I didn't have the opportunity to finish school like an average teenager or young adult would.

Years later, I slowly started taking classes and trainings in order to seek better opportunities. Such as traveling to Canada, Montana, Texas and many other places in order to enhance my career. I was able to accomplish all of these thanks to the many job opportunities I've had.

Today, on my 33rd birthday I look back to see the young woman and single parent that I was back then; fearful and hopeless but full of dreams. So from the bottom of my heart, I want to speak for those that are currently in the same position I was. I want them to know that they are not alone. The Crystal Mariscal Scholarship was created to give them hope, support and empowerment to become a better version of themselves.

Usually a scholarship is named after a person and presented by others, but in this case I decided to personally present it myself. On my birthday, every year I will commit to fundraise for this cause and I hope you can join me. With your support and (tax exempt) donations we can send single parents to school, training and/or any coaching that they may need.

We need your support in order to impact the lives of single parents in our community. Every donation will go to the **River Center**. Here's the link <http://rivercenternewcastle.org/> where you can find more information about this amazing non-profit and a ways to donate. You can also send a check to PO Box 272 New Castle, CO 81647, and don't forget to specify "Crystal Mariscal Scholarship".

This scholarship is going to be awarded soon, and I will keep you posted on how single parents can apply in their primary language.

Due to COVID-19 we are unable to gather for now but we shall hopefully soon celebrate together, in the meantime cheers from a distance.

Thank you in advance for your help, my God bless your heart.

Saludos cordiales,

Crystal Mariscal

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