

COMMUNITY BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA PRESENTS THE

2025

MCNAIR FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

HONORING NICHOLAS R. CIMINO

A SCHOLARSHIP DESIGNED FOR ADULT LEARNERS
WORKING AT A GEORGIA COMMUNITY BANK



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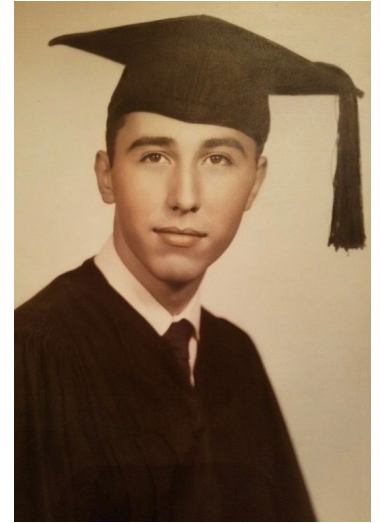
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The McNair Family Scholarship recognizes and honors the achievements of Nicholas (Nick) R. Cimino. The scholarship will be awarded once per year to an adult learner who is currently employed at a Georgia community bank and plans to work towards an associate, bachelors, or trade degree. An adult learner is someone two years removed from high school and working at least 25 hours per week at a Georgia community bank. The award is for \$1,000.00 and will be paid directly to the institution of higher learning to offset student expenses (tuition, study materials, and expenses).



Nick Cimino was born in 1936 and lost his father at an early age. The youngest of two children, Nick was required to go to work after school to help support his mother and older sister- who were also working. When Nick graduated high school, funding for college was unavailable. A naturally talented artist, Nick took a job as a graphic designer and worked until he was drafted by the Army. After an honorable discharge (1961), Nick went back to work in graphic design. He later decided to use the G.I. bill to obtain further education and make a career change. In 1964, Nick enrolled in night school to pursue a college degree. The following year, he married the former Maryann Costaldo. Nick and Maryann started their family with the birth of Lisa (Cimino) McNair and two additional children followed. The endeavor to balance work, family and school was a challenge but perseverance prevailed. After eight years of night school, Nick graduated in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in marketing from LaSalle University (Philadelphia, PA).

Nick went on to have a successful career in sales and marketing with AMP Incorporated and retired in 2000 as a Global Account Director for the Consumer Appliance Division. During his tenure, Nick achieved many awards including AMP's U.S. Marketing Manager of the Year (1987) and the U.S. Sales & Marketing President's Excellence Club (1996). Nick and Maryann are comfortably retired, have three adult children, and three beautiful granddaughters.



Nicholas Cimino receiving the President's Excellence Club Award from Jim Marley, AMP's former President/CEO.

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1. Qualifications: Complete application

Essay : The essay should describe: the reason(s) for your decision to pursue further education, why you should receive this scholarship, your career goals after graduation, and how you have been influenced by working at a community bank. (500 words or less).

2. Additional Requirements:

- Applicant must be 2 years removed from graduating high school
- Applicant must be working a minimum of 25 hours per week at a Georgia Community Bank.
- Must be an employee of the bank for at least six months.
- Outline community service activities
- Recommendation from the President/CEO of applicant's bank

3. Other:

- One \$1,000.00 scholarship funded by the McNair Family directly.
- Scholarship remitted to the college, university or technical institute by John and Lisa McNair to an account in the student's name to be applied toward tuition, study materials, and expenses.
- A Judging Committee, consisting of designated members of the McNair family and others as assigned, will review all applications to determine the scholarship recipient. A notice of the applicant chosen will be mailed to the sponsoring bank president, who will notify the applicant selected.
- Additional awards maybe given at the discretion of the McNair family.

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BANK REFERRAL FORM

To: The McNair Family c/o The Community Bankers Association of Georgia
Attention: *McNair Family Scholarship Honoring Nicholas R. Cimino*

From: Name of Bank _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
President/CEO of Bank _____
Email of President/CEO _____
Scholarship Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____
Email of Coordinator _____

The Applicant's name: _____

The Applicant plans to attend: _____
(Indicate University / College / Technical Institute)

The following must be included with this Bank Referral Form:

- Application (1 page)
- Candidate's Activity Record (2 pages)
- Candidate's Essay (500 words or less)

The application has been reviewed, and to the best of my knowledge, provides an accurate description of the applicant.

President/CEO Signature _____ Date _____

Please forward the completed application to the CBA, Attention: *McNair Family Scholarship Honoring Nicholas R. Cimino*

All applications must be received at the CBA office by **May 1, 2025**. The winner will be announced by the end of May 2025.

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2025 APPLICATION

Name of Sponsoring Bank: _____

Name: _____
First Middle Last Date of Birth

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position at bank: _____

Number of years employed at the bank: _____ Number of years in the banking industry: _____

University, College or Technical Institute you plan to attend: _____

I have been accepted to this school. Yes No

Declared Major: _____

I have read the scholarship guidelines and procedures on the information page of this application and request that I be considered for an award with full understanding of the conditions.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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CANDIDATE'S ESSAY

Name: _____

The essay should describe: the reason(s) for your decision to pursue further education, why you should receive this scholarship, your career goals after graduation, and how you have been influenced by working at a community bank. (500 words or less).

Please type your essay and **attach as a separate document.**

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CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITY RECORD

Name: _____

Community Involvement: Provide the information requested about your involvement within the community, including any leadership positions or awards you have received, within the past year.

1. Name of organization and description: _____

2. Name of organization and description: _____

3. Name of organization and description: _____

4. Name of organization and description: _____

5. Name of organization and description: _____

