

2015-16 Recipients of the of the LHC/GMDLC Love-Peel Scholarship for Deaf/Heard of Hearing Students



I was born and raised in the City of Detroit. I attended Schulze Elementary, Miller Middle and Northwestern High School. I graduated in 2006 with my high school diploma. I attended Wayne County Community College District and obtained an Associates of Art Degree all while working at JARC as a supervisor.

In 2013, I applied and was accepted at Madonna University. I studied there more than a year, but decided to continue my studies at Gallaudet University in Washington, DC. I am currently enrolled in pursuit of a Bachelor's Degree in Deaf Education. I enjoy church, mentoring deaf children and going to the movies.

*In honor of Dr. Robert Mathog.
It is because of you this
scholarship exist. I was
honored when you asked me to
join the board some 10 years
ago. Your vision will live on.*

Lion Deborah Love-Peel

I am so pleased to receive this LHC scholarship, since this is my fourth time so far. I have grown in knowledge as well as academically. I have several difficult obstacles throughout my college experience such as a struggle receiving accommodation needs, financial difficulty, and a struggle with the English language barrier. I hate to give up, no matter how difficult the struggle, no matter how long it takes to accomplish it, no matter what. I will not let my deafness stop me or any person to lower or limit my potential.

My next step is to get an RN BSN; I want to become a Pediatric nurse, or a Psychiatric nurse. As a nurse, I could help break down the barriers for medical care which people with disabilities experience. I have set my goal to become a nurse, in spite of discouraging comments I aim forward toward becoming a nurse. I hope there is a college that will allow me to get into a nursing program rather than being denied as a deaf student! It takes a strong desire and determination to continue to pursue forward in spite of all barriers

In my free time, I have volunteered to tutor and mentor deaf children. In addition, I love to travel, love to cook, and taking road trips. I have received a child welfare certification, and I have already received a dual-degree in Psychology and Health Science.



Hello, My name is Monique Barney. I grew up attending mainstream school from Elementary to High School. When I was in the 11th grade, I went to Michigan School for the Deaf and graduated in 2007. In 2012, I graduated National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) with a degree in Arts and Imaging Studies. Attending a deaf high school and a Deaf college introduced me to embrace my identify of being Deaf. Those experiences made me proud who I am. I'm so blessed that I have experience in the hearing world and cherish my identity of being deaf. My two main gifts I appreciate are vision and communication which are important tools to me.

I realized that I do like to work on my hands to fix anything. But majority of the time I'm very interested in fixing cars and want to learn how to repair cars without having to pay expensive prices. I'm so exciting that I'm an enrolled student in OCC. My major is Automobile Servicing because I'm very motivated to learn and work hard. My passion for the profession will help me gain and improve my skills and abilities. Nissan, Honda, Toyota, Ford or Chevrolet are the companies I would like to work for after I obtain my certification in Automobile Service Excellence. In my free time, I love to travel, work with children for summer camp, participate in a variety of sports, hangout with my family and friends. Lastly, spend time with my baby boy dog named Max, and love to learning every day.

My name is Rosa Padilla. I grew up in New York in the Bronx. I come from a tri-lingual family. I went to the New York School for the Deaf. I transferred to Model Secondary School for the Deaf in Washington D.C. After 6 months, I transferred back to New York School for the Deaf until I graduated in June 2014. I graduated with a high school diploma. I moved to Michigan 2 years ago and became a resident to further my education and I am learning to drive!

*I assisted in teaching sign language in NY. Now I am preparing for college at **Madonna University**. I believe that I can be successful in college. My goal is to become a Social Worker with a major in Geriatrics. I have volunteered with the Lion's Clubs of Michigan on several occasions and assisted in the care of an elderly gentleman in hospice until he passed away.*

